

**IN THE COMMON PLEAS COURT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, OHIO  
DIVISION OF DOMESTIC RELATIONS**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name & Address)

Plaintiff

CASE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

SETS NO. \_\_\_\_\_

JUDGE: \_\_\_\_\_

v.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name & Address)

Defendant

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE**

This case is before the court upon plaintiff's Motion to Show Cause filed \_\_\_\_\_ requiring defendant to appear before this court to show cause why defendant should not be held in civil or criminal contempt for failure to \_\_\_\_\_.

The motion demonstrates that there is probable cause to believe that defendant is in contempt of this court and ORDERS that defendant appear before Judge/Magistrate \_\_\_\_\_, at 301 West Third Street, Second Floor, Dayton, Ohio 45422, on \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_, to show cause why defendant should not be punished for criminal and/or civil contempt of this court.

The attached NOTICE is provided for defendant's benefit according to law. defendant is also advised that, in connection with this contempt proceeding, defendant has the following rights:

1. To be represented by an attorney;
2. Because the court may impose a sentence of indefinite confinement for civil contempt (to force compliance) and/or definite confinement for criminal contempt (to punish noncompliance), to have an attorney appointed for him/her at State expense if he/she cannot afford an attorney;
3. To compel plaintiff to prove his/her case by a preponderance of the evidence as to any civil contempt charges and by proof beyond a reasonable doubt as to any criminal contempt charges;
4. To obtain the presence of witnesses in defendant's own behalf by compulsory process if necessary; and
5. To cross-examine the witnesses against defendant.

Failure to appear as ordered may result in a warrant issuing to the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office for defendant's immediate arrest. Failure to appear is a separate violation of court orders and may result in additional fines and jail sentence.

Costs of this action shall be continued for further order.

**IT IS SO ORDERED:**

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**JUDGE**