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**ESSENTIAL INFORMATION FOR RESPONDENT**

You are hereby informed that on \_\_\_\_\_ a  Petition for Dissolution of Marriage  Petition for Legal Separation  Petition for Nullity  Petition to Establish Parental Relationship was filed by petitioner against you as respondent in Case No. \_\_\_\_\_. The petition requests a  dissolution of marriage  legal separation on the grounds of irreconcilable differences  nullity of the marriage based on \_\_\_\_\_  determination of parentage of the minor child(ren): \_\_\_\_\_

In addition, the petition seeks  sole  joint legal custody and  sole  joint physical custody of the minor child(ren): \_\_\_\_\_

The address of the petitioner is \_\_\_\_\_

A copy of the Letter Rogatory giving rise to the service of these documents is attached hereto. Also attached are copies of the petition initiating the action in which the Letter Rogatory was issued, copies of documents filed concurrent with the petition, and any rulings that ordered the issuance of the Letter Rogatory.

The Summons grants you 30 calendar days from the date of service to file the Response, and warns that if you fail to do so, the case may be determined by default (without your participation) and that the court may make orders affecting your custody rights to your children and may order you to pay support, attorney's fees and costs.

The first paper fee to file the Response is \$\_\_\_\_\_ (U.S. Dollars). If you cannot afford to pay the filing fee, you may apply to the court for an order waiving the filing fee and other fees. Information about obtaining a fee waiver may be found at [www.court.ca.gov/forms/documents/fw001info.pdf](http://www.court.ca.gov/forms/documents/fw001info.pdf).

Legal information and assistance filling out family law forms is available in person at the Family Law Facilitator's Office (FLF) in the courthouse where your case was filed. For a list of FLF locations please visit [www.sdcourt.ca.gov](http://www.sdcourt.ca.gov).