

\_\_\_\_\_  
Plaintiff(s)  
v.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Defendant(s)

Superior Court of New Jersey  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Division - \_\_\_\_\_ Part  
\_\_\_\_\_  
County  
Docket Number \_\_\_\_\_  
CS Number \_\_\_\_\_

**Civil Action**  
**Order to Show Cause**

Plaintiff email: \_\_\_\_\_

Defendant email: \_\_\_\_\_

THIS MATTER being brought before the Court by \_\_\_\_\_ ( plaintiff  defendant),  
and it appearing that:

- plaintiff/defendant has received notice of this application **OR**
- plaintiff/defendant consents to plaintiff's/defendant's application **OR**
- immediate and irreparable harm may result before notice can be given and a hearing held

And for good cause shown;

**It is** on this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_, **ORDERED** that  
( plaintiff  defendant) appear and show cause before the Superior Court at the \_\_\_\_\_ County  
Courthouse in \_\_\_\_\_, New Jersey at \_\_\_\_ o'clock  am  pm or as soon thereafter  
as can be heard, on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_, why judgment should not be entered for (set forth with  
specificity the return date relief that the filer is seeking):

- A. \_\_\_\_\_
- B. \_\_\_\_\_
- C. \_\_\_\_\_
- D. Granting such other relief as the court deems equitable and just.

And it is further **ORDERED** that pending the return date herein, the plaintiff/defendant is [*temporarily*]  
restrained from:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

And it is further **ORDERED** that pending the return date herein, the following temporary relief shall be granted  
to the moving party:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

And it is further **ORDERED** that the plaintiff/defendant may move to vacate the temporary relief in two days' notice to the moving party.

And it is further **ORDERED** that:

1. A copy of this order to show cause, verified complaint or post-disposition application, legal memorandum and any supporting affidavits or certifications submitted in support of this application be served upon the  plaintiff  defendant [*personally or alternate: describe form of substituted service*]

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within \_\_\_\_ days of the date hereof, in accordance with R. 4:4-3 and R. 4:4-4, this being original process. **If this order to show cause is in reference to a FV docket and/or if there is a standing Restraining Order between the plaintiff and defendant in this matter, service will be conducted by the court.**

2. The plaintiff/defendant must file with the court their proof of service of the pleadings on the plaintiff/defendant no later than three (3) days before the return date. Proof of service shall include a certification which must state the method of service as well as proof of service as appropriate (i.e. Certified mail number).
3. Plaintiff/Defendant shall file and serve a written response to this order to show cause and proof of service by \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_. The original documents must be filed with the Family Division in the county listed above. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may call the Legal Services office in the county in which you live. If you do not have an attorney and are not eligible for free legal assistance you may obtain a referral to an attorney by calling one of the Lawyer Referral Services. **If this order to show cause is in reference to a FV docket and/or if there is a standing Restraining Order between the plaintiff and defendant in this matter, service will be conducted by the court.**
4. The Court will entertain argument, but not testimony, on the return date of the order to show cause, unless the court and parties are advised to the contrary no later than \_\_\_\_ days before the return date.

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\_\_\_\_\_, J.S.C.