## **HOW TO FILE AN EVICTION**

Filing Fee: \$185.00 Sheriff's Fee (No personal checks): \$40.00 per tenant

Issuance Summons: \$10.00 per tenant

- 1. A vacate notice or delinquent tenant notice must have been posted prior to filing.
- 2. When you file, you must provide the clerk with a copy of the notice to vacate and lease or rental agreement, if applicable, as well as a copy of both for each defendant in the case.
- 3. You must also provide 2 self addressed stamped envelopes **for each party.**
- 4. You need to know before filing if you will be filing for I or II counts, as explained here.

Count I: To evict tenant only, no recovery of past due rent and damages.

- A. Property must be in Levy County.
- B. Fill out complaint to remove tenant.

## 5. Count I & II:

- A. Count I: 1<sup>st</sup> step is to evict. At eviction hearing, Judge will set a date for 2<sup>nd</sup> hearing on Count II.
- B. Count II: Is to recover money owed to you. If defendants are not served, the Count II hearing cannot take place. You may attempt service again, and then a hearing will be scheduled if the Defendants are served. (Sheriff charges \$40.00, no personal checks).
- 6. The Clerk will mail a notice of hearing to the Plaintiffs once a date has been set.
- 7. Plaintiffs are to come prepared to present their case to the court.
- 8. Please notify the Clerk <u>in writing</u> if your case has settled before your scheduled court date so we may cancel you hearing and have the case dismissed.

## IN THE COUNTY COURT OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA

	CASE NO.	
Plaintiff		
Address	Telephone I	No
vs.		
Defendant		
Address		
COMPLAINT TO	O REMOVE TENA	NT
Plaintiff sues defendant and alleges:  1. This is an action to evict from real property in Levy  2. Plaintiff owns the following described real property county:	in said	
3. Defendant has possession of property under (oral, w	ritten; if written, a copy mus	st be attached) agreement.
4. Notice to vacate the premises, as required by statute, a copy of notice	•	hereof.
WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgement for posses	ession of the property agains	t defendant.
STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF LEVY		Plaintiff or Agent
The above signed, being sworn, says that this is a true	statement.	
Sworn to and subscribed before me this	day of	, 20
	DANNY J. SHIPI	P, CLERK OF COUNTY COURT
	Ву:	
		Deputy Clerk