

# INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE ANSWER AND COUNTERCLAIM FOR COMPLAINT FOR MODIFICATION CASE (Child Support)

**NOTE: THE MAJORITY OF THE INFORMATION REQUIRED ON THIS DOCUMENT CAN BE FOUND ON THE COMPLAINT FOR MODIFICATION OF CHILD SUPPORT THAT YOU WERE SERVED WITH.**

## **HEADING:**

- Enter the name of the county where you are filing this Answer and Counterclaim.
- Enter the first, middle and last names of the plaintiff (the other party's name).
- Enter the first, middle and last names of the defendant (your name).
- Enter the case number that was assigned in the original action. You must include the case number on any papers you file. It is found on the copy of the Complaint that you received.

The numbers below give instructions for completing the paragraphs with the same numbers in the Answer and Counterclaim.

## **BODY OF ANSWER:**

Enter your full name in the first paragraph. This paragraph does not have a number. Check the box indicating if you were the plaintiff or the defendant in the original action.

Paragraph 1. Enter the paragraph numbers, separated by commas, from the Complaint for Modification with which you agree.

Paragraph 2. Enter the paragraph numbers, separated by commas, from the Complaint for Modification with which you disagree.

## **BODY OF COUNTERCLAIM:**

Enter your full name and check the box indicating if you were the plaintiff or the defendant in the original action.

The numbers below give instructions for completing the paragraphs with the same numbers in the Answer and Counterclaim.

Paragraph 1

- Enter the date of the most recent order setting child support in the first blank.
- Enter the first, middle and last name of the person who was ordered to pay child support in the second blank.
- Enter the first, middle and last name of each child that support is being paid for and their year of birth.

- \*\*if additional space is needed, check the box next to “Additional children are listed on a separate page” and list the first, middle and last name of additional children and their year of birth on another page.
- Enter the month and year listed on the most recent order setting child support that the child support obligation became effective.
- If support was ordered for more than one child, enter the support amount per month for the number of children as it is listed on the most recent child support order.

Paragraph 3. Enter the first, middle and last name of the person who was ordered to pay child support for the child(ren).

Paragraph 4. Check the box that indicates if the application of the Nebraska Child Support Guidelines would result in an increase or decrease of the monthly child support obligation.

Paragraph 5. Check all of the boxes in front of each statement that makes up the reason that the child support obligation should be revised and enter the name of the party that the statement applies to.

### **CLOSING PARAGRAPH:**

Enter the date of the most recent order setting child support in the blank. Check the box indicating if you were the plaintiff or the defendant in the original action.

### **SIGNATURE BLOCK:**

Sign your full name on the first line.

Enter the date that you are signing this Answer and Counterclaim. Enter your first, middle and last name.

Enter your street address/P.O.

Box. Enter your City, State and

ZIP Code. Enter your e-mail address.

Enter your phone number.

### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

- In the first blank, print the date when you mailed the copy of the Answer and Counterclaim for Modification of Child Support to the other party.
- In the second blank, put the other party’s full address, including the street address, city, state and ZIP code.
- Sign your name in the last blank.