

IN THE SAC & FOX TRIBE OF THE MISSISSIPPI IN IOWA TRIBAL COURT
Meskwaki Settlement
307 Meskwaki Road
Tama, Iowa 52339-9629

Petitioner

Case No. _____

VS.

Respondent

**RESPONDENT'S
PRO SE GENERAL "ANSWER"**

1. I, (printed name) _____, am the **RESPONDENT** in this case.
2. My phone number is _____.
3. My mailing address is _____.
The physical address where I reside is _____.

My residence is _____ on the Meskwaki Settlement.
not on the Meskwaki Settlement.

4. **MY "ANSWER"** to the Petition:
 - a. **I AGREE** with the Plaintiff/Petitioner as to ALL or SOME of the allegations raised in the Plaintiff/Petitioner's Petition. (If you agree with the Petitioner as to **all** allegations in the Petition and if you agree that the Court may enter a judgment accordingly, as requested by the Petitioner, please write your agreement below. **OR**, if you agree with the Plaintiff/Petitioner as to **only certain allegations**, please list the identifying section or paragraphs in the Petition *that you agree with or admit to*:

- b. **I DISAGREE** with the Petitioner as to all or some of the allegations raised in their Petition and therefore, deny those allegations. (Indicate any identifying section or paragraphs in the Petition *that you disagree with.*) If needed, use the space below to explain the reasons and include Tribal Rules of Civil Procedure, the record, laws, and cases, if any, that support your reasons. Also, *list and describe any documents that you are attaching that supports your position* [example: "Attachment 1 - Describe", "Attachment 2 - Describe", etc.]

- c. I am unable to admit or deny the allegations raised in the following sections or paragraphs of the Petition due to lack of information.
(List here, any identifying section or paragraphs in the Petition that you are unable to admit or deny due to lack of information.)

5. DEFENSES. In this section, please state any legal theories, that even assuming what the Plaintiff/Petitioner has alleged in the complaint is true, do not permit the Plaintiff/Petitioner to win the case. If needed, use the space below to explain the

reasons and include Tribal Rules of Civil Procedure, the record, laws, and cases, if any, that support your reasons. Also, please list any documents that you are attaching. Attach any additional sheets of paper as necessary.

6. **NOW THEREFORE**, the **DEFENDANT/RESPONDENT** asks this Court to:
- dismiss the Plaintiff/Petitioner's Petition or Complaint filed and enter judgment in favor of Defendant.
 - grant the Plaintiff/Petitioner's Petition or Complaint as agreed to above.

[Please note that if you have any counterclaim against the Plaintiff/Petitioner that arises out of the same events or transactions stated in the Petition or Complaint, and/or any cross-claims against any other defendants that arise out of the same events or transactions stated in this Petition/Complaint, and/or any third party claims that you have against third-parties (that is someone not already named in the lawsuit) that arise out of the same events or transactions in the Petition/Complaint, you should attach additional sheets of paper to set forth the facts and bases for any such claims.]

7. I Do Do Not request an oral hearing in front of the judge.

8. **I will mail a copy of this completed "Answer" to all the parties in this case, or their attorney if they are represented by an attorney, as listed below.**

Name

Name

Address

Address

9. I understand that the use of this *pro se* form is not a substitute for competent legal advice and that it is in my best interest to obtain the legal advice of an attorney prior to initiating

or responding to any legal action. I understand that this form may not meet all my specific legal needs and that it is only provided as a courtesy and guide for *pro se* parties.

I hereby state, under penalty of perjury, the foregoing is true.

Date

DEFENDANT/RESPONDENT
Signature