

STATE OF ILLINOIS, CIRCUIT COURT _____ COUNTY	COUNTERCLAIMS (FOR EVICTON ANSWER)	<i>For Court Use Only</i>
Instructions ▼ Directly above, enter the name of the county where the case was filed. Enter the full names of Plaintiff, Defendants, and the case number as listed on the <i>Eviction Complaint</i> . Check the box for Unknown Occupants if it was checked on the <i>Eviction Complaint</i> .	Plaintiffs (The landlord or owner): _____ _____ v. Defendants (The tenants or occupants): _____ _____ _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown Occupants	_____ Case Number
Enter the address of the property that Plaintiff wants to evict you from.	Property Address: _____ <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; width: 100%;"> Address, Unit # City State Zip </div>	

NOTE:	Fill out and file this form only if you have counterclaims in your case. There will not be counterclaims in every case, and there may be an additional fee to file them. Counterclaims must be directly related to the eviction or the judge may reject them. You should file your <i>Counterclaims</i> form at the same time as your <i>Eviction Answer</i>. If you do not file your counterclaims at the same time as your <i>Eviction Answer</i>, you may not be able to file them later.
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The Eviction Act [735 ILCS 5/9-101](#) *et seq.* limits what kinds of counterclaims you can raise. They generally must address the right to possession. If the judge dismisses your counterclaim because it is not directly related to the eviction, you may have to file an additional lawsuit. To make sure you can do this, ask the judge to dismiss your counterclaim without prejudice.

1. COUNTERCLAIMS (Your separate legal claim(s) against the Plaintiff, specifically stating what money damages or other relief you want from the Court.):

a. I have a counterclaim against the landlord (state what you are claiming and the facts to support your claims):

I ask the Court to order the landlord to give me the following money damages and other relief that I am entitled to by law:

b. I have an additional counterclaim against the landlord (state what you are claiming and the facts to support your claims):

You must list each counterclaim separately. If you have more than three counterclaims, attach another copy of this form.

I ask the Court to order the landlord to give me the following money damages and other relief that I am entitled to by law:

- c. I have an additional counterclaim against the landlord (*state what you are claiming and the facts to support your claims*):

I ask the Court to order the landlord to give me the following money damages and other relief that I am entitled to by law:

Under the Code of Civil Procedure, [735 ILCS 5/1-109](#), making a statement on this form that you know to be false is perjury, a Class 3 Felony.

If you are completing this form on a computer, sign your name by typing it. If you are completing it by hand, sign by hand and print your name.

Enter your complete address, telephone number, and email address, if you have one.

Under [735 ILCS 5/1-109](#) your signature means:

1) everything in this document is true and correct, or I have been informed or I believe it to be true and correct, and 2) I understand that making a false statement on this form is perjury and has penalties provided by law.

/s/

Your Signature

Street Address

Print Your Name

City, State, ZIP

Telephone

Email

Firm Name (if any)

Attorney # (if any)

Be sure to **check your email every day** so you do not miss important information, court dates, or documents from other parties.