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| ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY (Name, State Bar number, and address): TELEPHONE NO.: _____ FAX NO.: _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____ ATTORNEY FOR (Name): _____ | FOR COURT USE ONLY |
| SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF STREET ADDRESS: MAILING ADDRESS: CITY AND ZIP CODE: BRANCH NAME: | |
| Plaintiff: Defendant: | |
| ANSWER—UNLAWFUL DETAINER | |
| CASE NUMBER: | |

1. Defendant (each defendant for whom this answer is filed must be named and must sign this answer unless his or her attorney signs):

answers the complaint as follows:

2. **Check ONLY ONE of the next two boxes:**

- a. ☐ Defendant generally denies each statement of the complaint. (Do not check this box if the complaint demands more than \$1,000.)
- b. ☐ Defendant admits that all of the statements of the complaint are true EXCEPT:
- (1) Defendant claims the following statements of the complaint are false state paragraph numbers from the complaint or explain below or on form MC-025): ☐ Explanation is on MC-025, titled as Attachment 2b(1).
- (2) Defendant has no information or belief that the following statements of the complaint are true, so defendant denies them (state paragraph numbers from the complaint or explain below or on form MC-025):
☐ Explanation is on MC-025, titled as Attachment 2b(2).

3. **AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES (NOTE: For each box checked, you must state brief facts to support it in item 3k (top of page 2).)**

- a. ☐ (nonpayment of rent only) Plaintiff has breached the warranty to provide habitable premises.
- b. ☐ (nonpayment of rent only) Defendant made needed repairs and properly deducted the cost from the rent, and plaintiff did not give proper credit.
- c. ☐ (nonpayment of rent only) On (date): _____ before the notice to pay or quit expired, defendant offered the rent due but plaintiff would not accept it.
- d. ☐ Plaintiff waived, changed, or canceled the notice to quit.
- e. ☐ Plaintiff served defendant with the notice to quit or filed the complaint to retaliate against defendant.
- f. ☐ By serving defendant with the notice to quit or filing the complaint, plaintiff is arbitrarily discriminating against the defendant in violation of the Constitution or the laws of the United States or California.
- g. ☐ Plaintiff's demand for possession violates the local rent control or eviction control ordinance of (city or county, title of ordinance, and date of passage): _____
- (Also, briefly state in item 3k the facts showing violation of the ordinance.)
- h. ☐ Plaintiff accepted rent from defendant to cover a period of time after the date the notice to quit expired.
- i. ☐ Plaintiff seeks to evict defendant based on acts against defendant or a member of defendant's household that constitute domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, human trafficking, or abuse of an elder or a dependent adult. (A temporary restraining order, protective order, or police report not more than 180 days old is required naming you or your household member as the protected party or a victim of these crimes.)
- j. ☐ Other affirmative defenses are stated in item 3k.

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| ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY (Name, State Bar number, and address): Quinten Ward (State Bar No. 673476) 2185 Travis Grove TELEPHONE NO.: n/a FAX NO.: (313) 482-9537 E-MAIL ADDRESS: raina@brakus.org ATTORNEY FOR (Name): Tony Stark | FOR COURT USE ONLY |
| SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF San Mateo STREET ADDRESS: 400 County Center MAILING ADDRESS: 400 County Center CITY AND ZIP CODE: Redwood City, CA 94063 BRANCH NAME: Southern Branch Hall of Justice and Records | |
| Plaintiff: Joe Schmo Defendant: Tony Stark | |
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