

**QUESTION 2    THE ANSWER TO THIS QUESTION SHOULD GO IN BLUEBOOK I  
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Cassie rented residential property to Sarah in Hometown, Michigan pursuant to a written one-year fixed term lease which was due to expire April 30, 2019. Cassie properly instituted an action in district court on May 3, 2019 to recover possession of the property as Sarah continued her occupancy. At the May 13, 2019 court hearing, Sarah contended that Cassie could not obtain a possession judgment to evict her from the property because Cassie was retaliating against Sarah for having made a written complaint against Cassie to the Hometown buildings and safety department about safety code violations on the property six months prior. Following Sarah's complaint to the department, Cassie promptly addressed any code violations satisfactorily.

**Applying Michigan law, fully discuss:**

- 1.    The likelihood of success of Sarah's retaliation defense to Cassie's complaint to recover possession of the property, and**
- 2.    Assuming Cassie obtains a possession judgment from the court, the next legal steps to secure actual possession.**

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