

FORM SUMMARY

Name of Form: Response and Counterclaim

Form Number: FA-4113

Statutory Reference: §§767.215 and 822.09, Wisconsin Statutes

Benchbook Reference:

Purpose of Form: To provide the respondent with a formal document to reply to a petition for divorce/legal separation.

Who Completes It: Pro Se person who has been sued for a divorce or legal separation.

Distribution of Form: Original filed with the court, copies prepared by the respondent and served on the Family Court Commissioner and the other parties named in the original Summons for divorce/legal separation.

Accompanying Forms: Generally none.

New Form/Modification: Modification; last update 01/06.

Modification: Updated to be compliant with 2005 Wisconsin Act 443. Effective 01/07.

Comments: This form can be used regardless of whether there are or are not minor children of the marriage. If there are minor children of the marriage, in order to comply with the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction Act, the form must be notarized. If there are no minor children of the parties, the document does not have to be notarized.

About this Form: **This form is the product of the Wisconsin Records Management Committee, a committee of the Director of State Court's Office. As a *pro se* form, its use is NOT mandatory but it is required to be accepted and distributed by the circuit courts of the State of Wisconsin.**