

: IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
: OF ERIE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
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WRIT OF EXECUTION

NOTICE

This paper is a Writ of Execution. It has been issued because there is a judgment against you. It may cause your property to be held or taken to pay the judgment. You may have legal rights to prevent your property from being taken. A lawyer can advise you more specifically of these rights. If you wish to exercise your rights, you must act promptly.

The law provides that certain property cannot be taken. Such property is said to be exempt. There is a debtor's exemption of \$300. There are other exemptions which may be applicable to you. Attached is a summary of some of the major exemptions. You may have other exemptions or other rights.

If you have an exemption, you should do the following promptly: (1) Fill out the attached claim form and demand for a prompt hearing. (2) Deliver the form or mail it to the Sheriff's Office at the address noted.

You should come to court ready to explain your exemption. If you do not come to court and prove your exemption, you may lose some of your property.

YOU SHOULD TAKE THIS PAPER TO YOUR LAWYER AT ONCE. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A LAWYER, GO TO OR TELEPHONE THE OFFICE SET FORTH BELOW. THIS OFFICE CAN PROVIDE YOU WITH INFORMATION ABOUT HIRING A LAWYER.

IF YOU CANNOT AFFORD TO HIRE A LAWYER, THIS OFFICE MAY BE ABLE TO PROVIDE YOU WITH INFORMATION ABOUT AGENCIES THAT MAY OFFER LEGAL SERVICES TO ELIGIBLE PERSONS AT A REDUCED FEE OR NO FEE.

Lawyer Referral Service
302 West Ninth Street
Erie, PA 16502-1427
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Mon – Fri
8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

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Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
County of Erie

To the Sheriff of Erie County:

To satisfy the judgment, interest and costs against _____,
Defendant. (Name of Defendant)

(1) you are directed to levy upon the property of the defendant and to sell the defendant's interest therein;
(2) you are also directed to attach the property of the defendant not levied upon in the possession of _____ as garnishee, (Name of Garnishee) and to notify the garnishee that (Specifically describe property)

- (a) an attachment has been issued;
- (b) except as provided in paragraph (c), the garnishee is enjoined from paying any debt to or for the account of the defendant and from delivering any property of the defendant or otherwise disposing thereof;
- (c) the attachment shall not include
 - (i) the first \$10,000 of each account of the defendant with a bank or other financial institution containing any funds which are deposited electronically on a recurring basis and are identified as being funds that upon deposit are exempt from execution, levy or attachment under Pennsylvania or federal law.
 - (ii) Each account of the defendant with a bank or other financial institution in which funds on deposit exceed \$10,000 at any time if all funds are deposited electronically on a recurring basis and are identified as being funds that upon deposit are exempt from execution, levy or attachment under Pennsylvania or federal law.
 - (iii) any funds in an account of the defendant with a bank or other financial institution that total \$300 or less. If multiple accounts are attached, a total of \$300 in all accounts shall not be subject to levy and attachment as determined by the executing officer. The funds shall be set aside pursuant to the defendant's general exemption provided in 42 Pa.C.S. Sect. 8123.

(3) if property of the defendant not levied upon and subject to attachment is found in the possession of anyone other than a named garnishee, you are directed to notify such other person that he or she has been added as a garnishee and is enjoined as above stated.

Amount due \$ _____
Interest from _____ \$ _____
[Costs to be added] \$ _____

Seal of the Court

Patrick L. Fetzner, Clerk of Records

By _____ (Deputy)

**MAJOR EXEMPTIONS UNDER PENNSYLVANIA
AND FEDERAL LAW**

1. \$300 statutory exemption
2. Bibles, school books, sewing machines, uniforms and equipment
3. Most wages and unemployment compensation
4. Social Security benefits
5. Certain retirement funds and accounts
6. Certain veteran and armed forces benefits
7. Certain insurance proceeds
8. Such other exemptions as may be provided by law

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CLAIM FOR EXEMPTION

To the Sheriff:

I, the above-named defendant, claim exemption of property from levy or attachment:

(1) From my personal property in my possession which has been levied upon,

(a) I desire that my \$300 statutory exemption be

_____ (i) set aside in kind (specify property to be set aside in kind):

_____ (ii) paid in cash following the sale of the property levied upon; or

(b) I claim the following exemption (specify property and basis of exemption): _____.

(2) From my property which is in the possession of a third party, I claim the following exemptions:

(a) my \$300 statutory exemption: _____ in cash; _____ in kind (specify property): _____

(b) other (specify amount and basis of exemption): _____

I request a prompt court hearing to determine the exemption. Notice of the hearing should be given to me at _____.

(Address)

(Telephone Number)

I verify that the statements made in this Claim for Exemption are true and correct. I understand that false statements herein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa.C.S. Sect. 4904 relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

Date: _____

(Defendant)

THIS CLAIM TO BE FILED WITH THE OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF OF ERIE COUNTY:

140 West 6th Street, Erie, PA 16501

814/451-6254