

FORM 1.997. CIVIL COVER SHEET

The civil cover sheet and the information contained herein neither replace nor supplement the filing and service of pleadings or other papers as required by law. This form is required for the use of the Clerk of Court for the purpose of reporting judicial workload data pursuant to Florida Statute 25.075. (See instructions on the reverse of the form.)

I. CASE STYLE

(Name of Court) _____

Plaintiff _____

Case #: _____

Judge: _____

vs

Defendant _____

II. TYPE OF CASE

(Place an x in one box only. If the case fits more than one type of case, select the most definitive.)

Domestic Relations	Torts	Other Civil
Simplified dissolution Dissolution Support — IV-D Support — Non IV-D URESA — IV-D URESA — Non IV-D Domestic violence Other domestic relations	Professional Malpractice Products liability Auto negligence Other negligence	Contracts Condominium Real property/ Mortgage foreclosure Eminent domain Other

III. IS JURY TRIAL DEMANDED IN COMPLAINT?

Yes

No

DATE _____ SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY FOR PARTY
INITIATING ACTION _____

FORM 1.997. INSTRUCTIONS FOR ATTORNEYS COMPLETING CIVIL COVER SHEET

I. Case Style. Enter the name of the court, the appropriate case number assigned at the time of filing of the original complaint or petition, the name of the judge assigned (if applicable), and the name (last, first, middle initial) of plaintiff(s) and defendant(s).

II. Type of Case. Place an “X” in the appropriate box. If the cause fits more than one type of case, select the most definitive. Definitions of the cases are provided below.

- (A) Simplified Dissolution of Marriage — petitions for the termination of marriage pursuant to Fla.Fam.L.R.P. 12.105.
- (B) Dissolution of Marriage — petitions for the termination of marriage other than simplified dissolution.
- (C) Support — IV-D — all matters relating to child or spousal support in which an application for assistance has been filed under Title IV-D, Social Security Act, except for such matters relating to dissolution of marriage petitions (sections 409.245, 409.2564, 409.2571 and 409.2597, Florida Statutes), paternity, or URESA.
- (D) Support — Non IV-D — all matters relating to child or spousal support in which an application for assistance has not been filed under Title IV-D, Social Security Act.
- (E) URESA — IV-D — all matters relating to Chapter 88, Florida Statutes in which an application for assistance has been filed under Title IV-D, Social Security Act.
- (F) URESA — Non IV-D — all matters relating to Chapter 88, Florida Statutes, in which an application for assistance has not been filed under Title IV-D, Social Security Act.
- (G) Domestic Violence — all matters relating to injunctions for protection against domestic violence pursuant to section 741.30, Florida Statutes.
- (H) Domestic Relations — all matters involving adoption, paternity, change of name, child custody, separate maintenance, annulment, or other matters not included in categories (A) through (G).
- (I) Auto Negligence — all matters arising out of a party’s allegedly negligent operation of a motor vehicle.
- (J) Professional Malpractice — all professional

malpractice lawsuits.

- (K) Products Liability — all matters involving injury to person or property allegedly resulting from the manufacture or sale of a defective product or from a failure to warn.
- (L) Other Negligence — all actions sounding in negligence, including statutory claims for relief on account of death or injury, not included in categories (G), (H), and (I).
- (M) Condominium — all civil lawsuits pursuant to Chapter 718, Florida Statutes, where a condominium association is a party in the lawsuit.
- (N) Eminent Domain — all matters relating to the taking of private property for public use, including inverse condemnation by state agencies, political subdivisions, and public service corporations.
- (O) Real Property/Mortgage Foreclosure — all matters relating to the possession, title, and boundaries of real property. All matters involving foreclosures and sales, including foreclosures associated with condominium associations and condominium units.
- (P) Contract and indebtedness — all contract actions relating to promissory notes and other debts, including those arising from the sale of goods. Excludes contract disputes involving condominium associations.
- (Q) Other Civil — all civil matters not included in categories (A) through (P).

III. Is Jury Trial Demanded In Complaint?
Check the appropriate box to indicate whether a jury is being demanded in the complaint.

Date and attorney signature. Date and sign the civil cover sheet.