



If you want to avoid having the Sheriff serve you with the documents enclosed, you may complete the acknowledgment part of this form and return the completed form to the sender within 20 days after the date it was mailed to you, as shown below. You may retain the other enclosed copy of this form for your records.

By signing the Acknowledgment, you are agreeing to be served by mail instead of by the Sheriff. It does not mean that you agree to the contents of the Petition, and it does not take away any of your rights to contest the Petition.

If you decide to complete and return this form, you must sign and date the Acknowledgment below, and return it in the enclosed stamped return envelope.

If you do not complete and return this form to the sender within 20 days after the date it was mailed to you, as shown below, you may be required to pay any expenses incurred in serving the enclosed documents in any other manner permitted by law.

If you do complete and return this form, you must answer the Petition within 20 days after the date of signature which you place on the Acknowledgment below. If you fail to answer the complaint within the foregoing 20 day period, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the Petition.

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I declare under penalty of perjury that two copies of this Notice and Acknowledgment of Receipt of Summons and Petition, a stamped return envelope, and the following documents:

- Summons and Temporary Economic Restraining Order (original and one copy)
- Petition for Dissolution of Marriage
- Petitioner's Preliminary Declaration of Assets, Debts, Income and Expenses
- Petitioner's Notice of Service of Preliminary Declaration of Assets
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

were sent to the Respondent by first class mail, postage prepaid on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Petitioner *Pro Se*

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT**

I declare, under penalty of perjury, that I am the Respondent and that I accept service in this action of the following:

- Summons and Temporary Economic Restraining Order (original and one copy)
- Petition for Dissolution of Marriage
- Petitioner’s Preliminary Declaration of Assets, Debts, Income and Expenses
- Petitioner’s Notice of Service of Preliminary Declaration of Assets
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

and that I received a copy of these documents in the above captioned matter at (*address*):

\_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Respondent’s Signature

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

(Notary Seal)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public for the State of Montana  
Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Residing at \_\_\_\_\_  
My Commission Expires \_\_\_\_\_