

# Notice of Defence



Rule 314, Family Court Rules 2002

In the Family Court at *(Court location)*

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**Advice** If you need help to complete this form, consult a lawyer, check the Ministry of Justice website, call the Ministry of Justice call centre, or contact an office of the Family Court.

**Ministry of Justice website:** <http://www.justice.govt.nz> **Ministry of Justice call centre:** 0800 268 787



## Note:

The applicant's address may be omitted from the front page where the applicant has asked for this information to be kept confidential



## Applicant

Full name

Home  
Address

Occupation

## Respondent

Full name

Home  
Address

Occupation

## Associated Respondent (if applicable) *(Leave this section blank if it does not apply.)*

Full name

Home  
Address

Occupation

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*Date document is filed: (Court stamp)*

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**This document is filed by:**

Name

Address for service

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**If filed by lawyers:**

Name of acting lawyer

Contact number



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**Respondent/Associated Respondent (delete whichever does not apply)**

I, *(full name)*

give notice that I intend to defend the application for *(specify the order(s))*



## Affidavit (or statement) in support

### NOTE:

If this notice is filed in respect of an application for a protection order or a property order, you **MUST** file an Affidavit with this notice. The Affidavit must have enough detail to indicate the grounds on which the defence is based and enough information to inform the Court of the facts that support the defence. The Affidavit should cover the matters set out below in relation to the statement of support.

If this notice is about another kind of application, you must either file an Affidavit, **OR** complete a Statement in support as set out below. If you complete an Affidavit in support, the Affidavit should cover the matters set out below in the Statement of Support.

### Select one

#### Affidavit in support

I rely on the content of the Affidavit dated 

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 filed in support of this application.

or

#### Statement in support

### I say:

(State whether the facts given in the application are accepted or rejected and if any facts are rejected explain why.)

If you need more room to write in please attach a separate piece of paper.

2. Provide enough information to indicate the grounds the defence is based on and inform the Court of the facts relied on in support of the defence.

3. Provide any other facts relating to this Application, or the circumstances that have existed, or are existing, between the parties that the Court should be told about.

**Signature of Respondent (or Associated Respondent)**

Date 

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