

Information

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Summary Judgment

What is Summary Judgment?

Summary Judgment is a motion seeking a judgment in which there is no genuine issue of material fact, without a trial.

The main purpose of summary judgment is to enable a party to see whether there is a genuine need for trial.

Either a plaintiff or a defendant may file a motion for summary judgment.

How does it work?

A party will file a motion with the Court if they feel that there is no disagreement as to the facts.

The Court will grant the motion if it decides that there is no genuine issue of fact left to resolve at trial. No genuine issue of fact remains if reasonable minds could come to only one conclusion, and that conclusion is in agreement with the party filing the motion.

Do I have to respond?

If a motion has been filed against you, you should file a response within 17 days of the Motion of Summary Judgment. Most likely, the other party has submitted an affidavit (written statement of facts, sworn under oath to a notary, which will be used to determine if an issue of fact exists) in support of their motion.

If you do not respond to the motion, the facts in this affidavit are deemed to be true. When this happens, the Court usually finds that no genuine issue of fact remains for trial, and grants the motion, which normally results in a judgment in favor of the party filing the motion.

What should I do now?

CONSIDER CONTACTING AN ATTORNEY

As stated before, the rules of summary judgment can be very confusing. If you decide that you want to respond to the motion, you may file your own affidavits or other evidentiary materials. If these are not filed properly, the Court may not consider them and will most likely grant the motion. If you do not hire an attorney, consider consulting with one to at least make sure that you properly respond.

Where to get help

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