PACKET #12

MOTION TO CONTEST IMPENDING JUDGMENT

FOR <u>RESPONDENTS</u> IN CASES THAT <u>DO NOT</u> INVOLVE CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT (DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE)

This packet is used when Respondents want to contest a Notice of Impending Entry of Judgment for Delinquent Support Payments regarding child support or alimony in cases that DO NOT involve Child Support Enforcement. If your case involves Child Support Enforcement, you must use the Respondent's Packet for Cases Involving Child Support Enforcement.

- 1. You must file your <u>Motion to Contest</u> within fifteen (15) days from the date of the Notice.
- 2. After you complete the form, **make sufficient copies** so that you have the original, a copy for yourself, a copy for the Petitioner, and a copy for the Child Support Depository.
- 3. You will need to:
 - A. File the original Motion with the **Clerk of Circuit Court Family Division**.
 - B. Mail or hand-deliver a copy of the Motion to the Petitioner (this is REQUIRED).
 - C. Mail or hand-deliver a copy of the Motion to the **Child Support Depository**.
 - D. **File a Form A to request a hearing date.** Indicate your name, phone number, and that you filed a Motion to Contest Impending Judgment for Delinquency of Support Payments. You will be notified by mail of a hearing date/time.

IMPORTANT!!

Prior to your hearing you must obtain a copy of your payment history from the Child Support Depository. You can purchase this at the Child Support Depository desk at the Historical Courthouse. **YOU MUST**HAVE THIS WITH YOU AT YOUR HEARING!

This packet has been designed to provide forms and instructions approved by the Florida Supreme Court to individuals who have chosen to represent themselves. This packet contains most, but possibly not all of the forms and instructions you may need to represent yourself. You may find all Supreme Court approved forms on the Internet at www.flcourts.org, or at your local law library. If you do not understand the forms or your legal rights or obligations, you should consult with an attorney.

It is **your responsibility to read and understand this entire packet before proceeding further**. After you have read and understand the instructions, and after you have filed the appropriate forms, contact the Family Division Self-Help Office by filing a <u>FORM A</u> to obtain a court date. Use of these forms does not constitute representation by courthouse personnel. Courthouse personnel **cannot** give you legal advice nor can they help you complete these forms. The forms contained in this packet and the directions provided are simplified to meet the general needs of the majority of pro se litigants. This packet may not have the forms necessary for every case, and this information booklet may not address every party's particular situation. The directions given are only basic guidance for completing the forms. They are not explanations of all rights and duties associated with family law practice.