



# Small Claims Answer & Appearance

## Steps to file an Answer & Appearance in Small Claims

These steps should be followed when filing an Answer & Appearance in a Small Claims case. After receiving notice in regards to the case, an Answer & Appearance should be filed.

1. Complete the Answer & Appearance.
2. Scan and save Answer & Appearance form as a .pdf formatted document.
3. Open a web browser and open the following website:  
<https://www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/EFile/>
4. Click **Request Account**.
5. Complete the required registration fields and complete the registration.
6. **Log In** using the Username and Password just created.
7. Click **Existing Case**.



8. Enter in the following fields: **County**, **Case Number**, and **Participant's Name**.

**Existing Cases**

Select county and type in a case number and participant name

County	Black Hawk
Case Number (Ex: SCSC126139) :	SCSC126253
Participant's Last Name:	FUDD

Submit

9. Click **Submit**.



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10. Select **Appearance and Answer** from the Document Category.
11. Select **Small Claims Appearance and Answer** from the Document Type.
12. Click **Browse** to locate the **Answer and Appearance** document (scanned earlier as .pdf formatted document).

Home ⇒ Existing Case ⇒ Add a Document

**Case Number : SCSC126253**

Document Category: APPEARANCE AND ANSWER

Document Type \*: SMALL CLAIMS APPEARANCE AND ANSWER

Additional Text:

Sealed  Confidential  Electronic Presentation

Acceptable File Format Type(s) (\*.pdf)

Document Location: C:\Users\coxn00\Desktop\Fudd\_Answer.PDF

Add to Submission:

13. Click **Add**.

**Pro Se Notice of Case Association**

**SCSC126253**

14. Click **Next**.

15. Click **Next**.

Add to Submission

Document Name	View Document	Edit Data	Size	Remove
SMALL CLAIMS APPEARANCE AND ANSWER	Fudd_Answer.PDF		0.01 MB	

Total Size: 0.01 MB

16. Review the filing. Make changes as needed (not illustrated).

17. Click **Submit the Filing**.

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