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In the Iowa Supreme Court

**In the Matter of Approving an)
Amended Set of Small Claims Forms)
in Chapter 3 of the Iowa Court Rules)**

Order

CLERK SUPREME COURT

The supreme court issued an order adopting an amended set of small claims forms on June 25, 2018. The order is hereby rescinded and replaced with this order. The amended forms have not changed from the June 25 order, but they are provided again with this order.

The Iowa Legislature has raised the small claims court jurisdictional amount in controversy limit from \$5000 to \$6500 for actions commencing on or after July 1, 2018. Iowa Code section 631.15 directs the Iowa Supreme Court to prescribe exclusive standard forms of pleadings to be used in small claims actions. Accordingly, the court amends the small claims pleading forms contained in chapter 3 of the Iowa Court Rules, Standard Forms of Pleadings for Small Claims Actions, as provided with this order, to be effective for claims commencing on or after July 1, 2018.

Raising the jurisdictional amount in controversy limit is the only substantive change to the chapter 3 small claims forms. A modicum of format changes are included with the new forms, including primarily an updated ADA notice on some of the forms. The new set of forms will be published in chapter 3 of the Iowa Court Rules and available free of charge on the Iowa Judicial Branch website.

Dated this 26th day of June, 2018.

The Iowa Supreme Court

By 
Mark S. Cady, Chief Justice