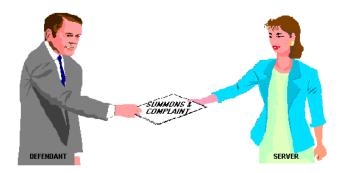
SERVING COURT PAPERS

OPTION #1: Service by Private Process

- (A) The court will give you a copy of your papers attached to a SUMMONS.
- (B) Give your papers and the SUMMONS to your server. (A person who is over 18 -- **NOT YOU**)
- (C) Your server must hand-deliver the papers to the Defendant or to a person of "suitable age and discretion" who lives with the Defendant.
- (D) Once the papers have been successfully delivered, your server must complete an AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE. File it at the Central Intake Center.

Note: the papers must be served within 60 days! If they are not, the court will dismiss the case. Make sure that you return to the court <u>before</u> the 60 day period has expired to REQUEST ANOTHER. SUMMONS.



OPTION #2: Service by Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested:

- (A) The court will give you a copy of your papers attached to a SUMMONS.
- (B) Mail the papers to the Defendant by Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested.
- (C) After the green card (return receipt) comes back with Defendant's signature or that of a person "of suitable age and discretion" who lives with the Defendant, you must complete an AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE. File it with the **green card** at the Central Intake Center.

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