# **EFILE TEXAS STEP-BY-STEP SMALL CLAIMS FILING GUIDE**

1. If you have an account, log in. If you do not, you may register for an account.



### **Register for a Firm Account**

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Examples:

2. Once logged in, click Start Filing

Start Filing	Filing History	Drafts
Click the START FILING button below to get started		Draft # 2302100 Draft # 2302100 Started at 06/17/2022 3:19 PM
Start filing	View filing History	View my drafta
Case Search	Bookmarks	Templates

3. Click Start New Case



4. Type Tarrant County into Court Location box and choose Tarrant County – JP Precinct 6

* Court Location	$\sim$	
Tarrant County - JP Precinct 6	~	*

- This is the court where you are filing your case.
- 5. Click down arrow for Case Category, Choose "Civil-Other Civil"



This is the type of case you are filing (Family, Probate, or Civil).

#### 6. Click down arrow for Case Type and choose "Small Claims-\$54.00"

\_ Case type \* \_\_\_

Small Claims - \$54.00

If you can't find your case type, change the case category to see other case types.

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7. Click down arrow for Damage Amount and choose one of the following: "Monetary relief of \$250,000 or less and non-monetary relief", "Only Monetary relief of \$250,000 or less", or "Only non-monetary relief"

Damage Amount * Monetary relief of \$250,000 or less and non-monetary relief	•
Damage Amount *	
Only Monetary relief of \$250,000 or less	•
Damage Amount *	
Only non-monetary relief	•

- 8. Click "Procedure/Remedy" if you are filing a Small Claims sub-type. (Bill of Review, Certiorari, Garnishment, Receiver, Sequestration). If not, click Parties on bottom right to move to next page.
- 9. Click +Add Party Details (Plaintiff)



10. Click Person or Entity button to choose party type and enter information in all boxes.

Person Entity	I Am This Party		
First Name * Jane	Middle Name	Last Name* Doe	Select

Enter attorney information only if being represented by one. Click Save.

\*\*Information typed into eFile MUST match information on petition EXACTLY; otherwise your envelope WILL BE rejected.

11. Click +Add Party Details (Defendant)

Parties

Party Type	Party Name
A Plaintiff *	+ Add party details
🛕 Defendant *	+ Add party details
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12. Click Person if you are suing an individual or Entity if you are suing a business. Enter information.

Person Entity	I Am This Party	
First Name *	Middle Name *	Select V
_	Person Entity	
	Entity Name *	

13. Enter additional information for individual(s) if known. Only enter LAST 3 digits of driver's license and/or social security number.

_ Driver License Type Select	Driver License State	Driver License Number
Social Security Number		

14. Enter defendant service address. **\*\***Information typed into eFile MUST match information on petition EXACTLY; otherwise your envelope WILL BE rejected.

Address Line 1 * 123 MAIN STREET		
Address Line 2		
_ City * ARLINGTON		Zip Code * 76010
Email Example: someone@domain.com	Cell Phone	

- 15. Enter attorney information ONLY if you know defendant is represented by one. Click Save.
- 16. Click Filings in bottom right corner.



18. Click down arrow for Filing code and choose Petition.



# 19. Click Select File for Lead document

Lead Document * Required
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Drag files here or
Select file
Maximum file size: 36.70 MB
Accepted file types: Portable Document File (PDF)

20. Upload your petition

Eviction_Forcible_Worksheet.pdf	* Eviction_Forcible_Worksheet.pdf	Public
Auto-Redact	4	

21. If you have additional documents to attach, click Select File for Attachments and follow same steps to upload



22. Click Additional Services at top of the page

New Case Filing					Draft # 3463219  🕥 -
Case Information	S Parties	3 Filings	(d) Service	(5) Fees	6 Summary
Edit Filing Details					
Filing	Requirements	Additio	onal Services	Commu	lications

23. Click box for correct Tarrant County Constable citation service and enter Quantity (# of defendants). If you are not sure what precinct and/or county your defendant is located in, please call the court prior to filing your case.

If your defendant is not located in Tarrant County and you do not specify to send service documents to you or a private process provider, you will be contacted by the court for this information before your case can proceed.

ZConstable 2-Citation Service \$75	$\checkmark$	zConstable 2-Citation Service	\$75	Quantity *1

24. Click box for Copies – first page and enter quantity of 1

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25. Click box for Copies-Additional pages and enter quantity (# of additional pages not including the first page of your petition)

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- 26. Click SAVE
- 27. Click add more if you are filing multiple cases for the SAME plaintiff and follow steps above.

Fi	iling Code	Filing Type	Description	Actions	
P	etition	Efile		/	Î
	+ Add More				

28. Click Service in bottom right corner



29.Click Fees in bottom right corner



## 30. Choose Payment Account



31. Click down arrow for Party Responsible for fees and choose Plaintiff name

Party Responsible for Fees \_\_\_\_\_\_ Jane Doe

## 32. Click down arrow for Filer Type and choose Not Applicable



33. Click Summary bottom right corner



34. Verify information is correct and click Submit in bottom right corner.



35. You will receive your envelope/confirmation # and once the court accepts your filing, you will be notified of your case number. If you have any questions, you may call the court 817-370-4525 or email jp6clerk@tarrantcountytx.gov.