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INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILING/PROCESSING JOINDER

- 1. Review and sign the Request for Joinder of Employee Pension Benefit Plan and Order (Family Law) (FL-372).
- 2. Review the Summons (Joinder) (FL-375).
- 3. Review and sign the Pleading on Joinder Employee Benefit Plan (FL-370).
- 4. If no changes to the above make 2 copies of all of the forms¹.
- 5. File the original and 2 copies of each document.
- 6. Follow the directions below for service on the plan.

INFORMATION FOR SERVICE OF PROCESS ON THE PLAN

- 1. You may not serve your own documents. Someone who is over 18 years old and not a party to the case must serve the documents for you and complete the Proof of Service of Summons (Joinder) on the back of the Summons (Joinder) (FL-375.)
- 2. Include two copies of the Notice and Acknowledgement of Receipt (FL-117) so the plan can accept service of the documents **by mail**. The person who serves the documents on the plan signs the Notice and Acknowledgement of Receipt.
- 3. The person who serves the documents mails a copy of each of the following filed forms to the plan at the **address listed on pg. 2** of the Summons:
 - Request for Joinder of Employee Benefit Plan and Order (FL-372)
 - Pleading on Joinder Employee Benefit Plan (FL-370)
 - Notice of Appearance and Response of Employee Benefit Plan (FL-374) serve a BLANK copy
 - Copy of Summons (Joinder) (FL-375). The person who mails the documents to the Plan must complete Proof of Service of Summons (Joinder) on page 2 of the Summons (Joinder) (FL-375) and include a copy in the packet of forms to be served on the plan. Do not serve the original Summons on the plan.
 - Notice and Acknowledgement of Receipt (FL-117) (two copies).
 - Self-addressed return envelope, postage prepaid.
- 4. After the documents are mailed and the Plan mails you their signed Notice and Acknowledgement of Receipt in the envelope provided, you may then file the original Summons (Joinder) (FL-375).

¹ Copies are only required for cases that are filed in person with the court. If the court requires on-line filing, it is not necessary to make copies prior to filing.