



**OBJECTION TO REFEREE'S
RECOMMENDED ORDER**

(A) CASE NO.

Court Address
203 S Niles Street, Paw Paw, MI 49079

Court Telephone No.
(269) 657-8282

(B)

Plaintiff's name, address and phone no. moving party

Plaintiff's Attorney:

Defendant's name, address and phone no. moving party

Defendant's Attorney:

I object to the referee's recommended order dated **(C)** _____ and request a de novo review by the court. I object for the following reasons:

(D) _____

(E) _____ Date _____ Moving party's signature _____

NOTICE OF HEARING

A hearing will be held on this objection before Judge: _____

(F) on _____, at _____ A.M. P.M.
Date Time

At the following location: **Van Buren County Courthouse
212 E. Paw Paw Street, Courtroom 2
Paw Paw, MI 49079**

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I certify that on this date I served a copy of this objection and notice of hearing on the parties or their attorneys by first-class mail addressed to their last-known addresses as defined in MCR 3.203.

(G) _____ Date _____ Signature _____

(H) Make 3 copies of the original and send documents to the distribution list shown below:

Original + 1st Copy (for FOC) – County Clerk 2nd Copy – Plaintiff 3rd Copy - Defendant

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILING OBJECTION TO REFEREE'S RECOMMENDATION

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The Court has entered an order based on the Referee's Recommendation. If you disagree with the order, **you must file written objections within 21 days of the date the recommendation was served on you.** In most cases, **the date of mailing is considered the date of service** under Michigan law.

⚠ Important: If the judge finds your objection is frivolous or made only to cause delay, they may order you to pay costs and attorney fees. All information must be **typed or clearly printed.**

STEPS TO FILE YOUR OBJECTION

STEP A:

Write your case number in the upper right-hand corner of the form.

STEP B:

From your court papers, identify who is the **plaintiff** and who is the **defendant**. Fill in both names in the correct boxes. Check the box labeled "**moving party**" next to your name.

STEP C:

Enter the **date the judge signed the order** you are objecting to.

STEP D:

Clearly state the **specific facts or legal issues** in the referee's recommendation that you disagree with.

STEP E:

Sign and date the form.

STEP F:

Call the judge's judicial assistant at **(269) 657-8200, ext. 2342** to schedule a hearing. Write the **hearing date and time** in the "Notice of Hearing" section on the form.

STEP G:

Complete the "**Certificate of Mailing**" section.

STEP H:

Make **3 copies** of the completed form:

- **Mail 1 copy** to the other party.
- **File the original and 1 copy** (for the Friend of the Court) at:
Van Buren Friend of the Court Office
203 S. Niles Street
Paw Paw, MI 49079
- **Keep 1 copy** for your records.

WHAT TO EXPECT NEXT

- **Attend the hearing** at the date and time you scheduled and bring **any documents** that support your objection.