

DO YOU NEED MORE TIME?

Know Your Right to a Continuance!

If you are here for the **first time** for an eviction case, you have the right to ask the judge for a “**continuance**” of up to **7 days** for **any** reason. A continuance gives you a **brand new court date**.

1. You do **not** have to **sign** anything from your landlord or their attorney to get a continuance.
2. You do **not** have to agree to a **payment plan** or a **moveout date** to get a continuance.
3. You **can** talk to your landlord or your landlord’s attorney and try to agree on a continuance that’s **longer than 7 days**. You still should **not** have to sign anything.
4. You **always** have the right to **ask the judge** for a continuance. If you’re being pressured to sign something you don’t agree with or don’t understand, **talk to the judge**.
5. You also have the right to ask the judge for a **trial**. You can ask for a trial the **first time** you are here, **or** ask for your continuance first and then ask for your trial **when you come back to court**.



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