

CIVIL ENFORCEMENT BUREAU

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Real Property Levy - Writ of Sale Sheriff Instructions & Worksheet

Court Document(s) Required: Letter of Instruction	Real property levies involving a Writ of Sale are handled by the Sheriff. The requester must provide the following upon opening a Writ of Sale levy file with our office: Original Writ of Sale (form EJ 130) plus three copies Certified copy of the Judgment for Sale per Code of Civil Procedure § 716.010(c) Required Fees Original letter of instructions signed and dated by the judgment creditor's attorney or the judgment creditor (if the judgment creditor does not have an attorney). The letter of instructions must specify the type of levy requested. The letter of instructions must include a legal description of the property to be levied upon as well as the street address. Specify whether the real property also stands in the name of third persons (recorded owners other than the judgment debtor) as indicated by county records. If yes, list the names and addresses of all third parties as well as all a.k.a.(s) of the debtor. Specify whether the real property is a leasehold estate. If yes, provide the date when the leasehold expires. In addition, If the judgment is pursuant to a judicial foreclosure AND a right of redemption is applicable, include and attach a list of lien holder names and addresses. If there are no lien holders, so state. The judgment creditor's attorney or the judgment creditor (if the judgment
Time of Service	creditor does not have an attorney) must sign and date the instructions.
Method of Levy	The Writ of Execution expires 180 days after issuance. The method of levy is the creation of a lien against the property. This is accomplished by filing the Writ of Sale, Notice of Levy and other documents with the County Recorder of the county in which the real property is located. The lien includes a description of the property levied upon and states that the judgment debtor's interest in the described property has been levied upon. The recording of the levy creates a judicial lien, which initiates the process of selling the real property in a Sheriff's sale. The Sheriff will apply the proceeds of the sale of the property in conformity with court orders contained in the Writ of Sale. The Sheriff's sale will be conducted at the direction and in the manner prescribed by the issuing court.

Cost Deposit	\$2000 cost deposit for recording, publishing, posting, issuance of a deed or
	certificate of sale, and notary services.
Writ Return	A return detailing the Sheriff's actions is prepared by Civil Unit staff, which
	accompanies the original Writ of Sale when it is returned to the court.

Use SMSO SH CIV-200 Real Property levy instructions as a guide and submit with packet.

What is required Check List:

- **\$2000 deposit**
- Original Writ of Execution
- Certified copy of the Judgment for per Code of Civil Procedure § 716.010(c) plus three copies
- Required Fees
- Original letter of instructions signed and dated by the judgment creditor's attorney or the judgment creditor (if the judgment creditor does not have an attorney).
- Legal description of the property (Must be on an 8 ½ X 11 sheet of paper alone)
- List of exemption—if the defendant is a natural person
- Notice of Levy packets for:
 - Recorder's Office
 - Debtor(s)
 - Posting of property
 - Third party—if applicable

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Real Property Levy Worksheet

Please complete a separate instruction sheet for each property.

This worksheet is to be used only as an attachment to an original letter of instruction, which shall be submitted on official business letterhead.

Please include the following when you submit your signed instructions:

- Original writ and sufficient copies to record, serve and post.
- A deposit check payable to the SAN MATEO COUNTY SHERIFF: Writ of Execution and Writ of Sale \$1,500.00 // Writ of Attachment \$150.00

1.	To the Sheriff of San Mateo County, pursuant to the attached Writ: CHECK ONE
□ `	You are instructed to serve and execute the levy as described below. (Applicable to Writs of Sale only)
	A Registered Process Server (RPS) will serve the levy as described below. (All Writs of Attachment & Execution) Name and phone number of RPS:

2. WHAT TYPE OF WRIT DO YOU HAVE? CHECK ONE
☐ WRIT OF EXECUTION - MONEY JUDGMENT (EJ-130) Reference CCP 700.015 and 701.510-701.830 Does the real property contain a dwelling? ☐ Yes ☐ No. Is the land a vacant lot? ☐ Yes ☐ No.
If the property contains a dwelling, the Sheriff will serve notice on the judgment creditor that the levy has been made and that the property will be released unless the judgment creditor complies with the requirements of CCP 704.750. Be prepared to file a copy of your Application for Order for Sale of the Dwelling with the Sheriff within 20 days of service of the notice, or the property will be released. CCP 704.750 (a).
☐ WRIT OF ATTACHMENT (AT-135) Reference CCP 488.315 and 700.015 Also include the ☐ Right to Attach Order and ☐ Undertaking, if one was ordered Real property is not sold under a writ of attachment.
Regarding the service of the Summons and Complaint, CCP 488.020 (c):
If the defendant has not been previously served with a copy of the Summons and Complaint, you are required to instruct the levying officer to serve a copy of the Summons and Complaint when the writ is served on the defendant.
☐ The defendant was previously served with the Summons and Complaint. Date:
☐ Please serve the enclosed copy of the Summons and Complaint upon the defendant(s).
☐ WRIT OF SALE (EJ-130) Reference CCP 712.010-712.070, 716.010-716.030, CCP 700.015 and 701.510-701.830 Also include the ☐ Certified copy of the Judgment for Sale as required by CCP 716.010 (c).
Is a "Right to Redemption" applicable to the sale of this property? \square Yes \square No.
The judgment is for: 1. □ partition of real property, or 2. □ judicial foreclosure of a: (check one of the following) 2a. □ special assessment property tax or Mello-Roos tax lien (judgment creditor is a public entity). 2b. □ assessment lien by an association or common interest development. 2c. □ mechanics lien (labor or improvements to real property). 2d. □ other lien (s) on real property. Specify: 2e. □ mortgage or deed of trust and the judgment indicates that a deficiency judgment 2e(a). □ may be ordered 2e(b). □ is waived or prohibited.
ALL OF THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED
Debtor Information 3. This levy seeks to levy upon (or attach) the real property interest of the following Judgment Debtor (s). The names isted below must match the names as they appear on the writ exactly, or the Sheriff will not act upon your instructions.
Debtor name:
Address for service:
Debtor name:
Address for service:
4. Does the judgment debtor's interest in the real property consist of a Leasehold Interest , Leasehold Estate or an Estater or Years? ☐ Yes ☐ No. If yes, provide the date the lease expires:

Property Information

contiguous, if no street address exists, or if the property is difficult to locate you must also include an assessor's parcel
 map. Copies must be clear, void of any hi-lightening and legible. Contact the Recorder at 650-363-4988 for their fee schedule. □ Check to indicate that you have included a copy of the assessor's parcel map. □ Check to indicate that you have included a copy of the legal description of the property.
6. What is the Assessor's Parcel Number (APN):
7. What is the real property street address :
8. Does this real property contain a <u>dwelling</u> ? □Yes □ No. Is this a <u>commercial property</u> ? □ Yes □ No.
9. Is this land a <u>vacant lot</u> ? \square Yes \square No. If yes, provide directions for locating the property.
10. How many <u>parcels</u> are subject to this levy?Are the parcels <u>contiguous?</u> \square Yes \square No.
 Third Party Information 11. Does the real property also stand in the name of a Third Party (other than the judgment debtor) having a recorded interest in the real property as shown by the records of the county? □ Yes □ No.
The Sheriff is required to serve by mail a copy of the writ and notice of levy on each such third person.
Third Party name:
Address for service:
Third Party name:
Address for service: Additional names and address of third persons are contained on a separate sheet.
12. ☐ Additional Information is contained in a separate letter of instruction (enclosed).
Your Information Your name:Phone:
Your address:
Signature:Date:
<u>Returned paperwork:</u> Paperwork will be returned unprocessed if the writ is incomplete, if the writ is missing required information, if the writ is invalid on its face or if the letter of instruction is unclear or insufficient. Any changes or corrections made to a writ after it is issued by the court must be initialed by the court clerk. The Sheriff will not act upon the writ otherwise.
Civil Clerk: Papers reviewed and returned by: Date: Reason:
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