

**SMALL CLAIMS - MOTION TO TRANSFER
TO THE REGULAR DOCKET**JD-CV-158 Rev. 1-26
P.B. 24-21STATE OF CONNECTICUT
JUDICIAL BRANCH
SUPERIOR COURT
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1. Attach counterclaim or Affidavit in Support of Small Claims - Motion to Transfer to the Regular Docket (form JD-CV-170), pursuant to Section 24-21 of the Connecticut Practice Book.
2. Submit to the court along with all statutory fees.

Note: If this motion is granted, appearances of self-represented parties representing themselves individually and appearances of attorneys will be automatically entered in the case when it is transferred to the Superior Court. Appearances by self-represented parties for any entity besides themselves that were recognized in the small claims case will not be recognized in the Superior Court case and will be entered for notice purposes only.

Name of case (Plaintiff v. Defendant) Lemus V. McLeary		Docket number BPH-CV26-5007250-S
☒ Judicial District ☐ Housing Session	Address of court (Number, street, town and zip code) 1016 Main Street Bridgeport CT 06606	
Your name Somia McCleary	Your address (Number, street, town, state and zip) 8 Elm Court Bridgeport CT 06606	Date 06/01/2026

The ☐ Plaintiff ☒ Defendant in the above named case moves to transfer this case to the regular docket for the Superior Court. Pursuant to Section 24-21 of the Connecticut Practice Book, this motion is accompanied by all statutory fees and (Select all that apply):

- ☒ A counterclaim in an amount greater than the jurisdiction of the small claims court
- ☒ An affidavit stating that a good defense exists to the claim and setting forth with specificity the nature of the defense
- ☐ An affidavit stating that the case has been properly claimed for trial by jury

Signed (Individual Attorney or self-represented party) 	Print or type name of person signing Janine M. Becker	Date signed 06/01/2026
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Certification

I certify that a copy of this document was or will immediately be mailed or delivered electronically or non-electronically on (date) **06/01/2026** to all counsel and self-represented parties of record and that written consent for electronic delivery was received from all counsel exempt from e-filing and self-represented parties of record who received or will immediately be receiving electronic delivery.

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Signed (Signature of filer) 	Print or type name of person signing Janine M. Becker	Date signed 06/01/2026
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**AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF SMALL CLAIMS -
MOTION TO TRANSFER TO THE REGULAR DOCKET**

JD-CV-170 Rev. 4-26
P.B. § 24-21

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Instructions

1. Complete this form if you have completed the Small Claims - Motion to Transfer to the Regular Docket (form JD-CV-158) and you have stated on that form that the case has been properly claimed for jury trial or a good defense exists to the claim.
2. Submit the original to the court with form JD-CV-158 along with all statutory fees.

Name of case (Plaintiff v. Defendant) Lemus v. McLeary		Docket number BPH-CV26-5007250-S
Judicial district Bridgeport	Address of court (Number, street, town and zip code) 1061 Main Street Bridgeport Connecticut 06604	
Your name (Affiant) Sonia McLeary	Your address (Number, street, town, state and zip) 8 Elm Court Bridgeport Connecticut	Date 06/01/2026

I, the person signing below say under oath that I am the ☐ Plaintiff ☒ Defendant in the above entitled matter and state as follows:

1. I am over the age of eighteen years and I believe in the obligation of an oath.
2. (Select all applicable boxes)

- ☐ The case has been properly claimed for jury trial.
- ☒ A good defense exists to the claim, as stated below:

The Plaintiffs had a written lease agreement with me for a term of one year.
The Plaintiffs terminated the lease without cause.

The unit rented did not require a certificate of apartment occupancy because the property is owner occupied and contains three or less housing units. Further I spoke to a building official at the property who stated that the unit complied with building and fire codes and as such there was no health or safety risk. There were and are no habitability deficiencies which would allow for the termination of the lease.

Furthermore, the Plaintiffs never provided written notice of a forwarding address to which to send a security deposit accounting.
One has now been sent as the new address is noted on the court docket.

The Plaintiffs had a written lease which they breached by early termination.
The lease contains a clause regarding damages upon early termination which is greater than the jurisdiction of the small claims court and a counterclaim will be raised.

3. The claims and statements made in this affidavit, to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, are true.

Signature of person making affidavit 		Print name of person signing at left Sonia McLeary	Date signed 06/01/2026
Subscribed and sworn to before me on:	Date 06/01/2026	Signed (Notary Public, Commissioner of Superior Court, Clerk, Assistant Clerk) 	



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