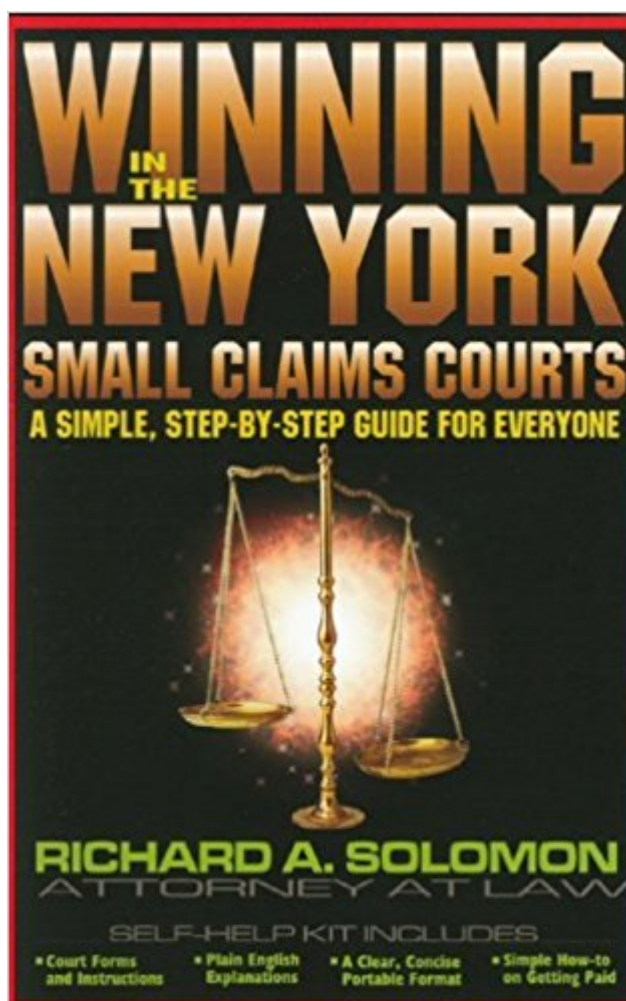


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Winning In The New York Small Claims Court



Synopsis

This book contains more than 100 pages of scanned court rules and court forms from the New York Small Claims Court. These forms and rules are all explained in detail in the main text of the book.

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"There are GREAT NUGGETS of information here." -- Chris Gailus -- FOX 5 Good Day New York
Claim only as much as you can clearly prove you're owed, said Richard Solomon, an attorney and author of the book "Winning in the New York Small Claims Courts." Overinflating your claim undermines your credibility, which is among your greatest assets, he said. Before your court date, organize and prepare as much as possible. Solomon recommends that people bringing claims gather every piece of documentation they can find, and file it in chronological order in a three-ring binder. Include written estimates, copies of e-mails, even handwritten phone messages. Make two copies of the entire packet, one for the defendant and one for the judge. Refer to it page by page as you make your case. "The court room is psychological. It comes down to: Who looks prepared? Who looks organized?" Solomon said. -- New York Daily News September 7, 2006
WINNING in the New York Small Claims Courts has SIMPLE TIPS we can all use in case you find yourself in front of a Judge in the County." -- Christa Lauri -- News 12 Westchester Daytime Edition
Winning in court is only half the battle. "One problem with the system is that the court won't help you collect," Mr. Solomon said. Ask that a payment deadline be written into a settlement; if the defendant defaults, ask that the settlement be converted into a judgment, which would then affect the defendant's credit rating. "Even deadbeat debtors think twice about that," Mr. Solomon said. -- New York Times

Please take a moment to look inside this book. The most sought after features include: * Instructions on how to conduct a trial* A Sample Settlement Agreement* The simple step-by-step process of enforcing a judgment (collecting your money after you win in Court) Most Frequently Asked Questions: 1. What is Small Claims Court? The Small Claims Courts are informal Courts of Law with simplified procedures to resolve money disputes. Criminal cases are not part of the small claims court process. Cases can be brought by individuals or businesses. 2. What types of cases are typically brought in Small Claims Court? There are generally two broad categories of cases: breach of contract (e.g., failure to pay rent, defective goods, defective services) and property damage (e.g., car accidents). 3. What are the advantages of the Small Claims Courts? The greatest advantage is that if you do not need to hire an attorney to come to Court with you. In California, for example, attorneys are not permitted in Small Claims Court. Other advantages include inexpensive filing fees (generally less than \$50.00 across the country) and a speedy trial (generally within a matter of months). 4. Can you really go to a Small Claims Court, a Court of Law, without an attorney? If you bring great evidence to prove your case, and are familiar with the local rules of procedure you will be effective in representing yourself. These courts were designed for people to inexpensively and quickly present their disputes for prompt resolution. 5. Often, people are reluctant to bring cases in Small Claims Court due to their fear of public speaking. What do you recommend? Before you go to Court, visit an office supply store and buy three looseleaf binders. Inside each binder insert your evidence in chronological order. Inside will be copies of your letters, canceled checks, invoices, photographs, business cards, emails or faxes and anything else that provides information about your case. When it is your turn to present the case, you will give one looseleaf to the Judge, and you will give one to your adversary. Then, you will flip through the pages and explain your side of the story with your evidence. The documents will then "speak for themselves" allowing the focus of your case to be on your documents giving you confidence to present your case.

I found the book far too geared for NYC although the sales pitch refers to all courts and in particular, Suffolk County which is the area I was interested most in. While it does supply certain basics, it lacks depth in many areas and in most suburban courts.

But a but disappointing considering all rave reviews I read prior to buying the book. It was basic and general information that I could have possibly received from online websites. If you are clueless

about the process and are not internet savvy, then it is a great book for you. It gives you the basic foundation.

This book gives great step-by-step advice on how to proceed with a small claims case. I used it in pursuing a case involving a loan and found it to be extremely useful in explaining all procedures and forms necessary to successfully pursue a case. Also valuable is the court contact information and extensive coverage of various court rules. All in all, this book is very helpful and highly recommended if you have a small claims action.

This book is old and out of date. A lot of the information is from like 5 years ago, and doesn't even apply anymore. It also doesn't tell you a lot of stuff. It's pretty much a copy of the free small claims court guide that is available on the New York court website (for free). This guy should be ashamed of himself for copying a free guide and charging for it.

Richard Solomon was the keynote speaker at the Bail USA conference. He was very impressive and gave great information about the use of the small claims courts (which was featured in the New York Times). I bought the book to assist in my collection efforts. I particularly like the idea of limiting debt to an amount below the level of small claims court so I can use these "lower-expense" courts than either collection agencies or attorneys in "regular court."

This book provides the best courtroom advice of all the New York self-help books that are on the shelves or online. It is simple, to the point, and very complete. I saw the other online reviews and took a chance; it is a great reference book. I have actually seen people in small claims court bring this book with them as a reference (pretty smart!)

My auto body rep told me about this book b/c the insurance would not cover my accident. This was a bargain for the amount of useful information inside. Remember to bring to Court more than one written estimate for your accident case as the book tells you to do so! You can really win in small claims court and this is the guide to help you.

This well written guide to the New York Small Claims Courts has everything in it that you would want to know. I especially liked having all the forms in one place (in the back of the book for easy reference) and the practice tips which were written in plain English and easy to understand. A must have for small

business owners!

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