

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON  
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF**

**STATE OF WASHINGTON**

) **Cause No.:**

)  
)  
) Plaintiff )

) v. )

) Defendant )

) **ANSWER TO WAGE ASSIGNMENT ORDER**

DOC No.

1. At the time of the service of the wage assignment order on the employer, was the above-named obligor employed by or receiving earnings from the employer?  
 Yes     No
  
2. Are there any other wage attachments currently in effect against the obligor?  
 Yes     No
  
3. If the answer to Question 1 is Yes, and the employer cannot comply with the wage assignment order, provide an explanation:

I certify or declare under penalty of perjury of the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE OF EMPLOYER

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE AND PLACE

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE OF PERSON ANSWERING FOR  
EMPLOYER

\_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS FOR FUTURE NOTICE TO  
EMPLOYER

\_\_\_\_\_  
CONNECTION WITH EMPLOYER

typist/CCO/Date

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## 9.94A. 7705

"(1) An employer upon whom service of a wage assignment order has been made shall answer the order by sworn affidavit within twenty days after the date of service. The answer shall state whether the offender is employed by or receives earnings from the employer, whether the employer will honor the wage assignment order, and whether there are multiple attachments against the offender.

(2) If the employer possesses any earnings due and owing to the offender, the earnings subject to the wage assignment order shall be withheld immediately upon receipt to the wage assignment order. The employer shall deliver the withheld earnings to the clerk of the court pursuant to the wage assignment order. The employer shall make the first delivery no sooner than twenty days after receipt of the wage assignment order.

(3) The employer shall continue to withhold the ordered amounts from nonexempt earnings of the offender until notified that the wage assignment has been modified or terminated. The employer shall promptly notify the clerk of the court who entered the order when the employee is no longer employed.

(4) The employer may deduct a processing fee from the remainder of the employee's earnings after withholding under the wage assignment order, even if the remainder is exempt under RW 9.94A. 7703. The processing fee may not exceed (a) Ten dollars for the first disbursement made by the employer to the clerk of the court; and (b) one dollar for each subsequent disbursement made under the wage assignment order.

(5) An employer who fails to withhold earnings as required by a wage assignment order issued under this chapter may be held liable for the amounts disbursed to the offender in violation of the wage assignment order, and may be found by the court to be in contempt of court and may be punished as provided by law.

(6) No employer who complies with a wage assignment order issued under this chapter may be liable to the employee for wrongful withholding.

(7) No employer may discharge, discipline, or refuse to hire an employee because of the entry or service of a wage assignment order issued and executed under this chapter. A person who violates this subsection may be found by the court to be in contempt of court and may be punished as provided by law.

(8) An employer shall deliver a copy of the wage assignment order to the obligor as soon as reasonably possible."