

**Rule 8. Dismissal.**

(a) Except in interpleader cases, if plaintiff fails to appear at the time set for trial, plaintiff's claim will be dismissed ~~with prejudice unless the judge otherwise orders.~~

(b) If defendant has filed a counter affidavit and fails to appear at the time set for trial, defendant's claim will be dismissed ~~with prejudice unless the judge otherwise orders.~~

~~(c) The prevailing party shall send all other parties a copy of the small claims judgment (Form F or G) with the notice of entry of judgment completed and file the completed copy with the court.~~

(c) A party may move to dismiss its claim at any time before trial.

(d) Dismissal is without prejudice unless the judge otherwise orders. The appearing party shall serve the order of dismissal on the non-appearing party.