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**Witness statement of the  
defendant to oppose the making of  
an interim possession order**

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Witness statement of \_\_\_\_\_  
(defendant)

made on \_\_\_\_\_

completed by defendant

Between \_\_\_\_\_  
Claimant

and \_\_\_\_\_ Defendant

Claim No.

In the

**County Court**

*For completion by the court*

**Appointment on**

**20**

**at** \_\_\_\_\_ **am/pm**

(1) Insert I, <sup>(1)</sup>  
full name,  
address  
and  
occupation  
of  
witness

make oath and say as follows:

(2) Insert  
address  
of premises

1. I consider that I have a right to occupy the premises at <sup>(2)</sup>

2. I have been in occupation since

*Give date*

3. The claimant (name)

was aware of my occupation of the premises. I know this because

(3) Give name, address and date

4. I was told by <sup>(3)</sup>

of

on

that I could occupy the premises named in paragraph 1.

(4) Say who this person is and describe any documents they showed you

I believe that he/she had the right to allow me to occupy the premises because <sup>(4)</sup>

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5. I have written evidence to show my right of occupation. It is in the form of

(eg rent book, tenancy agreement) and a copy is

(5) Delete if you have no written evidence

attached and marked 'A' <sup>(5)</sup>

6. The claimant is **not** entitled to an interim possession order because

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7. I understand that if I have made a false or misleading statement in this affidavit I will be guilty of a criminal offence and on conviction may be sent to prison or fined or both.

### Statement of Truth

\*(I believe)(The defendant(s) believe(s)) that the facts stated in this witness statement (and any continuation sheets) are true.

\* I am duly authorised by the defendant(s) to sign this form.

signed \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

\*(Defendant(s))(Litigation friend(*where the defendant is a child or a patient*))(Defendant's solicitor)

*\*delete as appropriate*

Full name \_\_\_\_\_

Name of defendant's solicitor's firm \_\_\_\_\_

position or office held \_\_\_\_\_

*(if signing on behalf of firm or company)*

Defendant's or defendant's solicitor's address to which documents should be sent.

Postcode

*if applicable*

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