**Contents List for Persuasive Themes with Counterclaims (Version 1)**

**Title**

**Introductory Paragraph**

**Topic Sentence (G, C, or S Topic Sentence)**

**(Names the claim or issue, grabs the reader)**

**Background Sentences**

**(Introductory option, and/or background details)**

**Thesis Statement (Specific Topic Sentence)**

**(The claim, Major Reasons, message, graceful lead in)**

**Detail Paragraphs about the Major Reasons**

**Topic/Transition Sentence (G, C, or S Topic Sentence)**

**(Transition, the claim, the MajorReason)**

**Lead-off Sentences**

**(Transition, introduce a new detail supporting the Major Reason)**

**Follow-up Sentences**

**(Provide more info about the new detail)**

**Counterargument Paragraph**

**Topic/Transition Sentence (G, C, or S Topic Sentence)**

**(Transition, mention of counterclaim or counterargument)**

**Lead-off Sentences**

**(Transition, each introduce a new reason supporting the counterclaim)**

**Follow-up Sentences**

**(Provide more info about the reason supporting the**

**counterclaim)**

**Concluding Paragraph**

**Concluding/Transition Sentence (G, C, or S Topic Sentence)**

**(Concluding Transition, the claim)**

**Detail Sentences**

**(Summarize the Major Reasons & discount the reasons supporting the counterclaim)**

**Clincher Sentence**

**(The claim, the message)**