

Plaintiff

vs.

Case No.

Defendant

STATEMENT OF CLAIM FOR RETURN OF PROPERTY FROM PAWNBROKER

Plaintiff, sues defendant/pawnbroker, and says:

1. This is an action for the return of stolen or misappropriated property pursuant to 539.001, Florida Statutes.
2. Plaintiff is the owner of the following described property: ____
_____.
3. The above-described property was stolen or otherwise misappropriated from plaintiff on or about the _____ day of _____, 20____. A copy of the law enforcement report outlining the theft/misappropriation is attached hereto and incorporated into this statement of claim.
4. The above-described property is currently in the possession of defendant and is located at a pawnshop as defined in section 539.001, Florida Statutes, the address of which is _____.
5. Plaintiff has complied with the procedural requirements of section 539.001, Florida Statutes. Specifically, plaintiff notified the pawnbroker of plaintiff's claim to the property:

by certified mail, return receipt requested, OR

in person evidenced by a signed receipt.

The notice contains a complete and accurate description of the purchased or pledged goods and was accompanied by a legible copy of the aforementioned police report regarding the theft or misappropriation of the property. No resolution between plaintiff and defendant pawnbroker could be reached within 10 days after the delivery of the notice.

WHEREFORE, the plaintiff demands judgment for the return of the property. Plaintiff further asks this court to award plaintiff the costs of this action, including reasonable attorneys' fees.

Dated: _____

Signature of Party
Printed Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip _____
Day Phone # _____

State of Florida
County of Lee

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me on _____, by
_____ who is personally known to me or has produced
_____ as identification and who did/did not take an oath.

WITNESS my hand and official seal, on _____.

Notary Public or Deputy Clerk