

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF SARASOTA COUNTY, FLORIDA

DIVISION: <p align="center">CIVIL</p>	CASE NUMBER:
PLAINTIFF _____ Name _____ Address _____ City, State & Zip Code _____ Phone:	VS. DEFENDANT/PAWNBROKER _____ Name _____ Address _____ City, State & Zip Code _____ Phone:

STATEMENT OF CLAIM (FOR RETURN OF STOLEN PROPERTY)

The above named Plaintiff(s) sue the above named Defendant(s) and says:

1. This is an action for return of stolen or misappropriated property pursuant to section 539.001, Florida Statutes.
2. The 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.

Plaintiff (signature)

Name

Address

City, State, Zip Code

Day telephone number

State of Florida

County of _____

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me on _____, 20____, 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 _____, 20_____.

Notary Public
State of Florida

**KAREN E. RUSHING
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT**

BY: _____ DATE: _____
Deputy Clerk