

Paradigm of statement of claim

❖ It purpose:

- To formally initiate legal proceedings
- To give an official record of the parties' legal position regarding a cause of action and
- To give notice of that legal position and initiation of the cause of action to a litigant's opponent

❖ General requirements (80-93 of Art. cpc)

- All pleadings must be written in “ink, printed or typewritten”
 - You should refrain from submitting any document to a court that is not printed from a word-processor
- It must include a concise statement of the material facts on which the party relies for his or her claim or defense
- It must be in a form as near as possible to one of the forms provided in the First Schedule of the Civil Procedure Code

❖ Specific requirements (222-233 of the cpc)

- The facts constituting the cause of action
- The facts showing that the court has jurisdiction
- The facts showing that the defendant is or claims to be interested in the subject-matter and is liable to be called upon to answer the claim
- A prayer for relief
 - The specific relief sought by the plaintiff
- Attaching an annex of the evidences
 - A complete list of those witnesses (if any)
 - Documentary evidences(if any)