

## CIVIL COMPLAINT

**Purpose:** This form is used to initiate a court action to seek relief in non-criminal matters.

**How:** The plaintiff or their advocate prepares a civil complaint that contains:

- a. A short and plain statement of the grounds upon which the court has jurisdiction to hear this case, unless the court already has jurisdiction to support the claim;
- b. A short plain statement of the claim showing that the pleader is entitled to relief; and
- c. A demand for judgment for the relief that the plaintiff deems entitled. (State the amount of money or property you believe you are owed plus interest).

Upon receipt of a civil complaint, the clerk of court establishes (or reestablishes) a case file.

**Copies:** Original forms are stored in the court case file.  
A copy remains with the plaintiff  
A copy remains with the defendant.

FORT PECK TRIBAL COURT  
ASSINIBOINE AND SIOUX TRIBES  
FORT PECK INDIAN RESERVATION  
POPLAR/WOLF POINT, MONTANA

\_\_\_\_\_, )  
PLAINTIFF, )  
Vs. ) CIVIL COMPLAINT  
\_\_\_\_\_, ) CASE NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
DEFENDANT. )  
)  
)

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1. This is a civil action being brought against the above named defendant, based on:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

2. The plaintiff resides at: \_\_\_\_\_.  
(address, city and state)

3. The defendant resides at: \_\_\_\_\_.  
(address, city and state)

4. This Court has jurisdiction to hear this case because all of the necessary elements set forth in the Tribal Code are present.

5. The facts setting forth the basis for this complaint are: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

(Attach supplement if more space is needed, and if needed, the supplement is hereby incorporated by reference into this complaint.)

THEREFORE, plaintiff requests the Court to do the following:

1. That the Court order defendant to: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.
2. That judgment be entered for the plaintiff against the defendant.
3. That the defendant be ordered to pay plaintiff the cost of this action.
4. That the Court order any further relief that is determined necessary and proper.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

\_\_\_\_\_  
PLAINTIFF

SIGNED AND SWORN to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of Court or Notary Public