

**13-1832. Nominal damages.**

If you find that \_\_\_\_\_ (*plaintiff*) has established a right to recover from \_\_\_\_\_ (*defendant*) but that \_\_\_\_\_ (*plaintiff*) has suffered [no harm], [insignificant harm], [or] [damages that cannot be ascertained], you may award \_\_\_\_\_ (*plaintiff*) nominal damages. Nominal damages are a trivial sum of money, usually one cent or one dollar, awarded to a party who has established a right to recover but has not established that the party is entitled to compensatory damages.

USE NOTES

This instruction should not be used when the cause of action requires proof of actual damages.

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