

## EXAMPLE OF ANALYSIS

### SRI LANKA CODE OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE, ACT

#### **17. Payment of costs compensation and upon acquittal:**

(1) Whenever a court acquits or discharges the accused and declares that the complaint was frivolous or vexatious, it shall be lawful for such court to order the complainant to pay State costs in a sum determined by the court. The court may, in addition, at the same time, order the complainant to pay to the accused or to each of the accused when there are more than one, such compensation as it shall think fit.

#### **RE-WRITING OF SUB-SECTION (1) OF SECTION 17 WITH FINITE VERBS**

Whenever a court acquits

Or whenever a court discharges the accused

And, whenever a court declares

That the complaint was frivolous or vexatious

It shall be lawful for such court

To order the complainant

To pay State costs in a sum

Which is determined by the court

The court may, in addition, at the same time, order the complainant

To pay such compensation to the accused or to each of the accused

When there are more than one

As it shall think fit.

## SENTENCE ANALYSIS OF SUB-SECTION (1) OF SECTION 17

MODIFIERS IN SECTION: Noun, Verb, Prepositional and Infinitive phrases

CLAUSES IN SECTION: There are twelve clauses

1. Whenever a court acquits (*Subordinate clause*)
2. Or whenever a court discharges the accused (*Subordinate clause*)
3. And, whenever a court declares (*Subordinate clause*)
4. That the complaint was frivolous or vexatious (*Subordinate clause*)
5. It shall be lawful for such court (*Independent clause*)
6. To order the complainant (*Subordinate infinitive clause*)
7. To pay State costs in a sum (*Subordinate infinitive clause*)
8. Which is determined by the court (*Subordinate clause*)
9. The court may, in addition, at the same time, order the complainant (*Independent clause*)
10. To pay such compensation to the accused or to each of the accused (*Subordinate infinitive clause*)
11. When there are more than one (*Subordinate clause*)
12. As it shall think fit (*Subordinate clause*)

**CLASSIFICATION OF SENTENCE:** It is a compound-complex- sentence with two independent clauses and ten subordinate clauses