Property Law: Key Concepts

This guide covers fundamental concepts in property law. Understanding these principles can help you navigate property transactions and disputes.

Types of Property

Property is generally classified as either real property (land and anything permanently attached to it) or personal property (movable items). Different legal rules apply to each type of property.

Property Ownership

Property can be owned in various ways, including sole ownership, joint tenancy, tenancy in common, and tenancy by the entirety. Each form of ownership has different implications for property rights, transfer of ownership upon death, and liability.

Landlord-Tenant Law

Landlord-tenant law governs the rental of commercial and residential property. It covers issues such as the rights and responsibilities of landlords and tenants, lease agreements, security deposits, evictions, and habitability requirements.

Property Disputes

Common property disputes include boundary disputes, easement disputes, adverse possession claims, and nuisance claims. These disputes can often be resolved through negotiation, mediation, or litigation if necessary.