PARTITION, §651.1

## 651.1 Definitions.

As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires:

- 1. "Ascendant" means an individual who precedes another individual in lineage in the direct line of ascent from the other individual.
- 2. "Collateral" means an individual who is related to another individual under the law of intestate succession of this state but who is not the other individual's ascendant or descendant.
- 3. "Cotenant" means a person holding title to real property under tenancy in common ownership.
- 4. "Descendant" means an individual who follows another individual in lineage in the direct line of descent from the other individual.
- 5. "Heirs property" means real property held in tenancy in common that satisfies all of the following requirements as of the date of the filing of a partition action:
- a. There is not a recorded agreement that binds all of the cotenants that governs the partition of the property.
  - b. One or more of the cotenants acquired title from a living or deceased relative.
  - c. Any of the following apply:
  - (1) Twenty percent or more of the interests are held by cotenants who are relatives.
- (2) Twenty percent or more of the interests are held by an individual who acquired title from a living or deceased relative.
  - (3) Twenty percent or more of the cotenants are relatives.
- 6. "Owelty" means an equitable remedy in a partition action used to equalize the value of the property a party receives through the payment of a sum of money from a recipient of a higher value property to the recipient of a lower value property.
  - 7. "Partition by sale" means a court-ordered sale of property subject to partition.
- 8. "Partition in kind" means a court-ordered division of property subject to partition into physically distinct and separately titled parcels.
- 9. "Record" means information that is inscribed on a tangible medium or that is stored in an electronic or other medium and is retrievable in perceivable form.
- 10. "Relative" means an ascendant, descendant, or collateral or an individual otherwise related to another individual by blood, marriage, adoption, or other law of this state.

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