

# Test Bank

## CHAPTER 1

## TRUE/FALSE

- 1. The law of real property, in general, is governed by the law of the state in which the owner of the real property resides.
- 2. An owner of real property generally does not own the air space above the surface of the land.
- 3. A fixture is classified as real property.
- 4. Occupancy of land by someone without the permission of the owner is a trespass.
- 5. Since the law does not favor the free right to transfer of ownership, the law will approve almost any restraint on an owner's right to transfer ownership of property.
- 6. A fee simple absolute estate has a potential infinite duration and unrestricted inheritability.
- 7. A fee simple on condition subsequent estate automatically expires on the happening or nonhappening of the event stated in the deed of conveyance or the will creating the estate.
- 8. A life estate must always be for the life of the owner.
- 9. If the owner of a life estate commits waste, the life estate will terminate, even though the owner is alive.
- 10. A life estate owner must share the income generated from the life estate with the owner of the remainder interest.

- 11. Life estates are not transferable during the lifetime of the owner.
- 12. An estate limited in its duration to a fixed period of time is known as a life estate.
- 13. At common law, an estate at will could be automatically terminated.
- 14. A promise to make a gift is generally revocable.
- 15. An estate at will is real property that passes by last will and testament.
- 16. Inheritance is the passage of ownership of real property from a person who dies without a will.
- 17. The more attached an item of personal property is to real property, the more likely the item is a fixture.
- A person who receives property under a will is called an heir.
- 19. The tacking of possession of two adverse possessors is never permitted.
- 20. Adverse possession must always be with the consent of the owner.
- 21. Under the riparian rights doctrine, an owner of riparian land has the right to use water equally with other owners of riparian lands.
- 22. A property owner has the right to alter the natural flow of surface water.
- 23. Appropriation is found in states where water is abundant.

- 24. The law of appropriation is found in western states where water is scarce.
- 25. Under the law of appropriation, water is given to the property owner who uses the water first.
- 26. A copyright would be classified as tangible personal property.
- 27. A dog would be classified as tangible personal property.

#### MULTIPLE CHOICE

- 1. Which of the following is not considered real property?
  - (a) buildings
  - (b) fixtures
  - (c) corn
  - (d) elm tree
- 2. A court in determining that an item is a fixture will consider which of the following:
  - (a) the extent of the attachment of the item to the building
  - (b) the intention of the parties
  - (c) the character of the article in its adaptation to the real property
  - (d) all of the above
- 3. The adding together of periods of adverse possession is called:
  - (a) lapping
  - (b) tacking
  - (c) accretion
  - (d) appending
  - (e) none of the above
- 4. The typical period that a person must possess real property in order to be an adverse possessor is:
  - (a) one to three years
  - (b) 25 years

- (c) 30 years
- (d) 7 to 20 years
- (e) none of the above
- 5. In addition to adverse possession being adverse, it must also be:
  - (a) public
  - (b) peaceful
  - (c) exclusive
  - (d) continuous
  - (e) all of the above
- 6. A deed which conveys property to an owner "so long as the land is used for an avocado farm" creates an estate known as:
  - (a) fee simple on condition subsequent
  - (b) estate for years
  - (c) estate at will
  - (d) fee simple determinable
- 7. Henry transfers property to Susan for the life of Tom, then to Kevin. On the death of Susan, the property owner is:
  - (a) Tom
  - (b) Kevin
  - (c) Susan's heirs
  - (d) Henry
  - (e) none of the above
- 8. Henry transfers a life estate to Susan with the remainder to Tom. Tom dies before Susan. On Susan's death, the property owner is:
  - (a) Aaron
  - (b) Susan's heirs
  - (c) Tom's heirs
  - (d) Henry's heirs

- 9. Generally the following system of law governs the law of real property:
  - (a) federal law
  - (b) law of the state of the owner's residence
  - (c) law of the state in which the real property is located
  - (d) none of the above
  - (e) all of the above
- 10. Which of the following items would not be classified as personal property?
  - (a) automobile
  - (b) wheat
  - (c) fixture
  - (d) stock certificate
- 11. Failure by an owner of a life estate to adequately maintain the property subject to the life estate is known as:
  - (a) descent
  - (b) waste
  - (c) devise
  - (d) none of the above
- 12. Which of the following are considered acts of possession?
  - (a) enclosure
  - (b) cultivation
  - (c) occupancy
  - (d) construction of improvements
  - (e) all of the above
- 13. The conveyance of real property in a will is referred to as:
  - (a) inheritance
  - (b) estate at will
  - (c) devise
  - (d) gift

- 14. Aaron conveys to Bill an estate of property for 20 years and upon the expiration of the 20 years then to Carol. Carol's estate in the property would be:
  - (a) estate for 20 years
  - (b) estate at will
  - (c) remainder in fee simple
  - (d) successor estate for years
- 15. The main methods of acquiring ownership to real property are:
  - (a) inheritance
  - (b) gift
  - (c) sale
  - (d) devise
  - (e) all of the above
- 16. Which of the following would not be considered tangible personal property:
  - (a) Horse
  - (b) Certificate of Deposit
  - (c) Cell Phone
  - (d) Chair

# CHAPTER 2

### TRUE/FALSE

- 1. Joint tenants with right of survivorship can be created only by a deed.
- 2. Each owner under a joint tenancy with right of survivorship owns an equal undivided interest in the property.
- 3. The right of survivorship in a joint tenancy with right of survivorship provides that the owner's interest in the joint property can be willed or passed to the owner's heirs at death.
- 4. The survivorship feature of a joint tenancy with right of survivorship can be terminated by the parties.