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A terrific **review** of the fundamental principles of **13 areas** of law that are the basis for practicing **real property law in Minnesota**.

Designed specifically to help **prepare** attorneys for the Real Property Law Specialist Certification Examination offered on **Saturday, April 18, 2026**.

14 knowledgeable and experienced practitioners distill critical legal concepts and provide written course materials to **refresh** your knowledge and **expertise in real property law, even if you aren't taking the exam**.

IMPORTANT BENEFITS

- Comprehensive overview of **Real Property Law in Minnesota**
- Strategically designed "exam prep" of **13 topic areas**
- Experienced practitioners delivering essential, timely content and **answering your questions**
- **Practice-enhancing materials** and resources for **any attorney**
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UNDERSTANDING REAL PROPERTY LAW IN MINNESOTA

**A Course Designed to Prepare
You for the Certification Exam...
Also Ideal for Anyone
Seeking a Strong Foundation
in Real Property Law**

- Increase your knowledge of **real property law fundamentals** with this **highly rated overview**
- **13** substantive topic areas specifically selected to help you **prepare for the exam**
- Need to cram? Online Replays available before the exam.

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Monday & Tuesday, March 9-10, 2026**
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8:30 – 9:00 a.m. CHECK-IN & CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

9:00 – 9:05 a.m. WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

9:05 – 10:00 a.m.
Forming an Enforceable Contract for the Purchase and Sale of Real Property

This session provides a thorough guide to crafting enforceable contracts for real property transactions, covering essential components such as option contracts, warranties, fraud and misrepresentation, and required disclosures.

– Jessica L. Willes

10:00 – 11:00 a.m.
Understanding Common Interest Communities

An examination of the fundamental attributes of planned communities, condominiums, and cooperatives within the context of Chapter 515B, focusing on the statute’s applicability, declarant and CIC obligations, and considerations in drafting.

– Phaedra J. Howard

11:00 – 11:15 a.m. BREAK

11:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Taking the Mystery Out of the Torrens System

This session demystifies the Torrens System, providing a concise exploration of its key elements, including effect of the decree of registration, rights of registered owners, transactions involving registered land, proceeding subsequent to initial registration, and registration of title without a court proceeding under 508A.

– Alison M. Schubring

12:00 – 12:45 p.m. LUNCH BREAK (on your own)

12:45 – 1:45 p.m.
Oh! The Conflicts You’ll Know: Ethics in Real Property Matters

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This session offers attendees a comprehensive examination of ethical considerations, legal obligations, and best practices for real estate professionals.

– Eric T. Cooperstein

1:45 – 2:40 p.m.
Nuts and Bolts of Land Use Regulation

This session will discuss land use controls in cities, counties, townships as well as miscellaneous controls affecting the development of real property. This session will also cover development contracts, exactions and impact fees.

– Patrick B. Steinhoff

2:40 – 2:50 p.m. BREAK

2:50 – 3:45 p.m.
What Every Real Estate Lawyer Should Know About Contracts for Deed and Cancellations

Gain essential insights into the intricacies of drafting, executing, and navigating cancellations, equipping yourself with the knowledge necessary to navigate these complex legal processes in the realm of real estate law.

– Larry M. Wertheim

8:30 – 9:00 a.m. CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

9:00 – 9:05 a.m. WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

9:05 – 9:55 a.m.
Best Practices and Current Issues in Mortgage Foreclosures

Explore the latest insights into mortgage foreclosures including effective strategies for navigating the complexities of foreclosure processes while gaining a comprehensive understanding of the current challenges and solutions in the ever-evolving landscape of real estate in Minnesota.

– Melissa Porter

9:55 – 10:45 a.m.
Mechanics’ Liens – How They Are Won and Lost

Gain valuable insights into the intricacies of securing and defending mechanics’ liens. Explore winning strategies for the successful establishment of liens, while also understanding the common pitfalls and legal considerations that may lead to their loss.

– Matthew A. Anderson

10:45 – 10:55 a.m. BREAK

10:55 – 11:45 a.m.
How to Successfully Examine Title in Minnesota

This session will discuss the various types of title; where to research title and what is being examined; what issues to look for; where to find help or guidance; and how to frame or disclose your results.

– Robert L. Russell

11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. LUNCH BREAK (on your own)

12:30 – 1:20 p.m.
Advanced Title and Closing Issues

This session will cover many topics such as Title Standards, White Pages, survey guidelines, closing statements and related issues, ALTA policy forms, and endorsements and partitions.

– Nancy L. Landmark

1:20 – 2:10 p.m.
Key Issues of Residential Landlord/Tenant Law

This session will explore effective lease agreements, eviction procedures, and tenant rights, gaining practical insights to navigate the complex legal landscape of residential property management with confidence and compliance.

– Christopher T. Kalla

2:10 – 2:20 p.m. BREAK

2:20 – 3:05 p.m.
Avoiding Environmental Liability in Real Estate Transactions

This session will address the process of conducting an environmental due diligence review, focusing on the “All Appropriate Inquiry” rule. Additionally, the session will explore the assessment of risks related to pre-existing contamination, securing liability assurances from the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, and determining the appropriate circumstances for obtaining environmental insurance.

– Lindsey A. Remakel & Elizabeth H. Schmiesing

3:05 – 3:50 p.m.
Key Issues of Commercial Landlord/Tenant Law

An overview of commercial landlord/tenant law, including assignment and subletting, options, landlord remedies, ground leases and guaranties.

– Molly A. Gherty

3:50 – 4:00 p.m.
Overview of the Real Property Specialist Certification Exam

– Molly A. Gherty & Thomas J. Radio

COURSE INFORMATION

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