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REVISED AND REPLACED Chapters 5, 19, and 25

• Release 18 includes Chapters 5 (Negligence), 19 (Assault and Battery), 25 (Other Tort Causes of Action), for which the instructions have been revised and replaced by completely new instructions, including statutory and case law support, commentary, and related references. The instructions in those four chapters have been adjusted for clearer flow as well as to provide more accurate or more comprehensible expressions of the applicable law.

NEW CHAPTER Chapter 26

• Release 18 includes Chapter 26 entitled Landlord and Tenant that provides for the rights and duties of Landlords and Tenants.

Updated and Improved Instructions

• Elements of a Negligence Claim [see § 5.01].

- Battery [*see* § 19.03].
- Assault and/or Battery— Excessive Force in Doing Lawful Act [see § 19.05].
- Tortious Interference with Contractual Relationship [see § 25.01].

Chapter 26 NEW CHAPTER Landlord and Tenant

Release 18 includes Chapter 26 which provides the following sections:

- Elements of Landlord's Action for Possession [*see* § 26.01].
- Substantial Violation of Lease Obligations Possession [see § 26.02].
- Peaceful Enjoyment [see § 26.03].
- Timeliness of Notice to Correct or Vacate [*see* § 26.04].
- Warranty of Habitability [see § 26.05].
- Notice of Housing Code Violation

[see § 26.06].

- Reasonable Efforts to Repair [see § 26.07].
- Rent Reduction/Abatement [see § 26.08].
- Retaliation [see § 26.09].

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