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The Family Law course uses historical overviews, examples taken from actual cases, as well as recent Supreme Court Cases to describe the principles and practice of family law. This course includes comprehensive coverage of traditional family law topics, explores the developing law concerning nontraditional families and gay and lesbian parents' rights, describes technological innovations such as virtual visitation, and presents other high-profile topics currently under debate. e-TEXTBOOK: Family Law for Paralegals, by J. Shoshanna Ehrlich.

# WILLS, TRUSTS, AND ESTATES

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Fundamentals of Business Law, by Daniel V. Davidson, Lynn M. Forsythe & Brenda E. Knowles (Custom).

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