

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Existing law (C.C. Art. 14) sets forth conflict of laws principles for multistate cases.

New law (C.C. Art. 3514) redesignates existing law to appear in Book IV of the Civil Code.

New law (C.C. Art. 14) provides with respect to the use of gender.

New law (C.C. Art. 15) provides with respect to the use of number.

Existing law (C.C. Arts. 159, 234, 811(B), 1805, 1899, 1900, 1978, 1979, 1981, 1985, 2021, 2035, 2321(C)(3), 2442, 2701, 2806(B) and (C), 2838, 2841, 2843, 2844(A) and (C), 3025, and 3536) uses the terms "third party" and "third person".

New law retains existing law, uses consistent terminology, and makes other technical changes.

Existing law (C.C. Arts. 2315.1(E) and 2315.2(E)) provides with respect to the survival and wrongful death actions and sets forth exceptions in cases of abandonment.

New law adds a presumption of abandonment when a parent has left the child for at least 12 months and fails to provide for the child.

Prior law (C.C. Art. 3343) provided for a definition of "third person".

New law repeals prior law as duplicative and adds a Comment to Article 3338 concerning this repeal.

Existing law (C.C. Art. 3506) sets forth definitions of terms in the Civil Code.

New law updates the definitions of "assignment", "successor", and "third person", adds a definition of "juridical act", eliminates the definitions of "children" and "family", and relocates the concepts of gender, number, and abandonment.

Effective August 1, 2025.

(Amends C.C. Arts. 14, 159, 234, 811(B), 1805, 1899, 1900, the heading of Chapter 7 of Title IV of Book III and C.C. Arts. 1978, 1979, 1981, 1985, 2021, 2035, 2315.1(E), 2315.2(E), 2321(C)(3), 2442, 2701, 2806(B) and (C), 2838, 2841, 2843, 2844(A) and (C), 3025, 3506, and 3536; Adds C.C. Arts. 15 and 3514; Repeals C.C. Art. 3343)