

Chapter 1 Outline

Common Law
State Court Decisions
Federal Court Decisions
Defining Hotels, Motels, and Inns
 Definition of a Hotel
 Definition of a Motel
Important Points for Management

Competencies

1. Describe the development of rules regarding the rights and liabilities of innkeepers under the common law system. (pp. 3–4)
2. Provide examples of common law rules uniquely applicable to innkeepers. (p. 4)
3. Explain why the laws of two states may differ with regard to essentially the same general issue. (p. 5)
4. Explain why two federal circuit courts can reach different decisions while addressing the same type of legal problem. (pp. 5–6)
5. Describe any legal distinctions that may be made in the terms “hotel,” “inn,” and “motel.” (pp. 6–8)