**§471. Preservation of claims by filing of notice**

The spouse of a grantor who, 20 years or more before October 1, 1975, has conveyed land without the joinder therein of such spouse in release of the spouse's right and interest by descent in the land conveyed, and which spouse intends to claim such right and interest, or any person claiming by, through or under the spouse after such right and interest has become vested in the spouse, may preserve such right and interest, or claim thereto, by filing the notice provided in section 472 in the registry of deeds for the county in which the land is located, within 2 years of October 1, 1975. [PL 1977, c. 564, §126 (AMD).]

The spouse of a grantor who, less than 20 years before or at any time after October 1, 1975, has conveyed land without the joinder therein of such spouse in release of the spouse's right and interest by descent in the land conveyed and which spouse intends to claim such right and interest, or any person claiming by, through or under the spouse after said right and interest has become vested in the spouse, may preserve such right and interest, or claim thereto, by filing the notice provided in section 472 in the registry of deeds for the county in which the land is located, before the recording of the conveyance or within the later of 20 years of the date of recording of the conveyance or 2 years of October 1, 1975. [PL 1977, c. 564, §126 (AMD).]

A spouse may also preserve a claim to right and interest by descent by filing the notice provided in section 472 at any time prior to a conveyance in which the spouse does not intend to join in the release of such right and interest. [PL 1975, c. 511 (NEW).]

In all cases the spouse must bring a claim of record for title or possession within one year of the later of the filing of the notice or the vesting of the right and interest. [PL 1975, c. 511 (NEW).]

SECTION HISTORY

PL 1975, c. 511 (NEW). PL 1977, c. 564, §126 (AMD).

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