

ADAC-Legal-US-LA 0.9.0-draft.1 — Field Vocabulary Guide (Practitioner Edition)

Audience: Louisiana attorneys, notarial practitioners, succession and records professionals

This guide explains the Louisiana-specific subset of the US jurisdiction profile.

1. Inheritance

A `us-la` matter uses:

- base ADAC-Legal vocabulary, plus
 - US vocabulary, plus
 - Louisiana-specific additions described here
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2. When to use `us-la`

Use `us-la` when Louisiana civil-law, parish, notarial, or succession concepts materially govern the matter.

3. Document Types (Louisiana additions)

Term	Meaning in Practice	Use When
<code>authenticAct</code>	Notarial instrument with special evidentiary force.	Louisiana authentic-act doctrine matters.
<code>notarialAct</code>	Louisiana notarial act category.	A general Louisiana notarial label is sufficient.
<code>actOfSale</code>	Notarial sale transfer of immovable property.	Real-property sale instrument.
<code>actOfDonation</code>	Notarial donation instrument.	Inter vivos donation transaction.

Term	Meaning in Practice	Use When
olographicTestament	Handwritten dated signed will.	The testament is holographic.
mysticTestament	Sealed testament form.	The testament is in mystic form.
successionsPetition	Petition opening succession proceedings.	The matter begins a Louisiana succession.
judgmentOfPossession	Judgment placing heirs into possession.	The key Louisiana succession closing instrument is involved.
tutorshipPetition	Petition for minor tutorship.	Louisiana tutorship process applies.
interdictionPetition	Petition for adult interdiction.	Louisiana interdiction process applies.
reconventionalDemand	Louisiana counterclaim pleading.	Louisiana procedural terminology should be preserved.
exceptionPleading	Procedural exception pleading.	Louisiana exception practice is being documented.

4. Matter Types (Louisiana additions)

Term	Meaning in Practice
successions	Louisiana succession proceeding.
tutorship	Louisiana tutorship matter.
interdiction	Louisiana interdiction matter.
concurus	Louisiana interpleader-like concurus.
partition	Judicial partition matter.
expropriation	Expropriation / eminent-domain matter.
executoryProceeding	Executory enforcement proceeding.

5. Custody Actions (Louisiana additions)

Term	Meaning in Practice
recordedConveyanceOffice	Recorded in parish conveyance office.
recordedMortgageOffice	Recorded in parish mortgage office.
depositedNotarialArchive	Deposited in parish notarial archive.

6. Redaction Reason (Louisiana addition)

Term	Meaning in Practice
juvenileRecordLouisiana	Louisiana-specific juvenile confidentiality protection.

7. Common confusions

- Prefer successions over base succession when the matter is specifically Louisiana succession practice.
- Prefer authenticAct or actOfSale over generic notarialAct when the local distinction matters.
- Treat us-la as a subset of us, not as a separate unrelated branch.