

## Legislation Cited and Literature Consulted: Liberia

Legislation below informed analysis of community-based tenure regimes (CBTRs) in Liberia, as published in “[Resilience and Resistance](#)” and on the [RRI Tenure Tool](#).

| Legal Instruments and Secondary Sources                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Year Enacted (Revised/ Amended) |
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| The Constitution of Liberia                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 1986                            |
| The Decedents Estate Law, Title 8                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 1972                            |
| The Civil Procedure Law                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 1972                            |
| The Domestic Relations Law                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 1973                            |
| The Equal Rights of Customary Marriage Law of 1998 (The Act to Govern the Devolution of Estates and Establish Rights of Inheritance for Spouses of Both Statutory and Customary Marriages)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 1998 (2003)                     |
| Environmental Protection and Management Law                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 2004                            |
| The National Forestry Reform Law of 2006                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2006                            |
| The Community Rights Law of 2009 with Respect to Forest Lands                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2009                            |
| National Wildlife Law                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 2016                            |
| An Act to Establish the Land Rights Law of 2018                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 2018                            |
| Liberia Rules and Regulations Governing the Hinterland (2001)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 2001                            |
| Regulation No. 101-07 Public Participation                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2007                            |
| Regulation on Tender, Award, and Administration of Forest Management Contracts, Timber Sale Contracts, and Major Forest Use Permits (FDA Regulation 104-07)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 2007                            |
| Regulation on Forest Land Use Planning (FDA Regulation 102-07)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 2009                            |
| Regulations to the Community Rights Law of 2009 with Respect to Forest Lands                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 2011                            |
| Regulations to the Community Rights Law of 2009 with Respect to Forest Lands, as Amended                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 2017                            |
| Land Rights Act Regulations                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 2022                            |
| ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PROCEDURAL GUIDELINE                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 2006                            |
| Liberia Environmental Protection Agency and Forestry Development Authority of the Government of Liberia (June 2019). Development of National Guidelines on Free, Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC) Project Report                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2019                            |
| 2021 Revised Environmental and Social Impact Assessment/ Strategic Environmental Assessment (ESIA/SEA) Procedural Guidelines EPA/003/03-22                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 2022                            |
| The Public Lands Law                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 1956                            |
| <p><b>Secondary Sources:</b> The Problems of Gender Inequality Raised by Unmarried Couples in Liberia. Theses and Dissertations. Paper 21. Digital Repository at Maurer Law. Maurer School of Law: Indiana University, Bloomington; Scalise, Elisa and Leslie Hannay. 2013. Land Policy Reform for Women in Liberia. Brief, Focus on Land in Africa; Troell and Stephanie Keene. 2022. Legal Recognition of Customary Water Tenure in Sub-Saharan Africa: Unpacking the Land-Water-Nexus; De Wit, Paul and Caleb Stevens. 2014. “100 Years of Community Land Rights in Liberia: Lessons Learned for the Future.” Paper presented at World Bank Conference on Land and Poverty, Washington, DC, March 24-27, 2014; Dolo-Barbu, Yah-Yeplah. 2015. The Problems of Gender Inequality Raised by Unmarried Couples in Liberia. Indiana University Maurer School of Law, Bloomington; Knight, Rachael, Judy Adoko, Teresa Auma, Ali Kaba, Alda Salomao, Silas Siakor and Issufo Tankar. 2012. Protecting Community Lands and Resources: Evidence from Liberia, Mozambique and Uganda. Namati and International Development Law Organization, Rome; Scalise, Elise and Leslie Hannay. 2013. Land Policy Reform for Women in Liberia. Focus on Land in Africa; Wily, Liz Alden. 2007. So Who Owns the Forest: An investigation into forest ownership and customary land rights in Liberia. Sustainable Development Institute and FERN.</p> |                                 |

 Law has been repealed.