

Basic Legal Description Workshop

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Course Outline

This is a “hands on” course for the beginner to the moderately-experienced user that covers the many aspects of legal descriptions. We will begin with a brief look at surveying methods, both past and present, followed by an overview of the Public Land Survey System and how it benefits us when working with legal descriptions. We will cover how a section of land is divided and the different types of descriptions used in legal documents. Then we address the different types of metes and bounds descriptions. We conclude the day with a look at few ways to address conflicting legal descriptions and then briefly look at the different types of documents that may contain a legal description. This course covers the basic concepts of manually working with legal descriptions. The documents and tools (scales compasses, etc.) will be provided. Please bring a pencil and calculator.

Course Agenda

<u>Time</u>	<u>Topic</u>
8:30 - 8:45	Introduction
8:45 - 9:30	Surveying
9:30 - 10:00	Public Lands Survey System
10:00 - 10:15	<i>Morning Break</i>
10:15 - 12:00	Public Lands Survey System - Basic Legal Descriptions
12:00 - 1:00	<i>Lunch Break</i>
1:00 - 1:30	Public Lands Survey System - Basic Legal Descriptions
1:30 – 2:30	Metes and Bounds Descriptions
2:30 - 2:45	<i>Afternoon Break</i>
2:45 - 3:15	Conflicting legal Descriptions
3:15 – 3:45	Deeds and Documents
3:45 – 4:00	Questions

