

TITLE 7: CIVIL PROCEDURE
DIVISION 4: JUDGMENTS; ENFORCEMENT OF JUDGMENTS

§ 4210. Exemptions.

The following described property is exempt from attachment and execution:

(a) Personal and Household Goods. All necessary household furniture, cooking and eating utensils, and all necessary wearing apparel, bedding, and provisions for household use sufficient for four months.

(b) Necessities for Trade or Occupation. All tools, implements, utensils, two work animals, and equipment necessary to enable the person against whom the attachment or execution is issued to carry on his or her usual occupation.

(c) Land and Interests in Land. All interests in land, but any interest owned solely by a judgment debtor, in his or her own right, may be ordered sold or transferred under an order in aid of judgment if the court making the order deems that justice so requires and finds as a fact that after the sale or transfer, the debtor will have sufficient land remaining to support himself or herself and those persons directly dependent on the debtor according to recognized local custom and the law of the Commonwealth. No person not of Northern Marianas descent may acquire any interest in such land, by sale, transfer, or otherwise, except as otherwise provided by law.

Source: 8 TTC § 61, modified.

Commission Comment: The Commission modified the last sentence of subsection (c) to reflect the restrictions on alienation of land set forth in N.M.I. Const. art. XII. As to what constitutes an “acquisition” of land under the constitutional restriction, see N.M.I. Const. art. XII, § 2.