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Lesson2: The main branches of law

Algerian law system is mainly the same as others, even there are some differences comparing to the others from the side of naming or defining may be, but still wholly the same.

So, the two main branches known, we have public law and private law.

Public law: is the part of law governs the relationships between legal persons and government, and between different institutions within a state.

Public law comprises:

- 1- *Constitutional law:* is a branch of public law that brings together the legal rules relating to the form of the state, the constitution of government and public powers and the participation of citizens in the exercise of these powers, constitutional law brings together relevant legal rules, system of norms and relationship between norms, and fundamental rights.
- 2- *Criminal/procedural law:* branch of public law related to crimes, and the kind of punishment related to
- 3- *Financial law*: Are the law and regulation of the insurance derivatives, commercial banking, capital markets, and investment management sectors, understanding financial law is crucial to appreciating the creation and formation of banking and financial regulation, as well as, legal framework for finance generally.

Private law: is a set of rules, legal rules that regulates the relationship between individuals living within the same state.

Private law comprises:

- 1- *Civil law:* is a major branch of private law, which governs the relationship of one individual to another, the function of civil judge is thus to settle a legal conflict between two parties, the plaintiff, and the defendant.
- 2- *Commercial law:* also called business law, this branch includes a set of laws related to the business of institutions and companies such as a contract law, tax

- law, property law, and also concern with regulating the activity of merchants, and industrialist in the exercise of their professional activity and determines the seasonal businesses produced by non commercial individuals.
- 3- *Family law:* is a legal practice area that focuses on issues involving family relationships, such as divorce, adoption.