

Civil Law

Civil Laws do not concern society at large or criminal offenses. Rather, they are about disputes between people or groups. A civil case may be a disagreement over a broken contract. For example, suppose you order something from a mail-order catalog and charge it to your credit card. The mail-order company has, in effect, made a contract with you. If you do not receive the item, the company has broken the contract. You can take the company to court and get your money back.

Example: If you have not paid your rent or your cell phone bill, your landlord or cell phone company will get mad...this type of dispute would fall under the umbrella of civil law.

