



# CONVERSION

**DEFINITION:** An unauthorized assumption and exercise of the right of ownership over goods or personal chattels belonging to another, to the alteration of their condition or the exclusion of the owner's rights.

(Black's Law Dictionary)

## ELEMENTS:

- 1) **PLAINTIFF OWNED, POSSESSED, OR HAD A RIGHT TO POSSESSION OF THE PERSONAL PROPERTY INVOLVED**
- 2) **DEFENDANT INTENTIONALLY AND SUBSTANTIALLY INTERFERED WITH THE PLAINTIFF'S PROPERTY RIGHTS**
- 3) **PLAINTIFF DID NOT CONSENT TO THE INTERFERENCE**
- 4) **DAMAGES**