

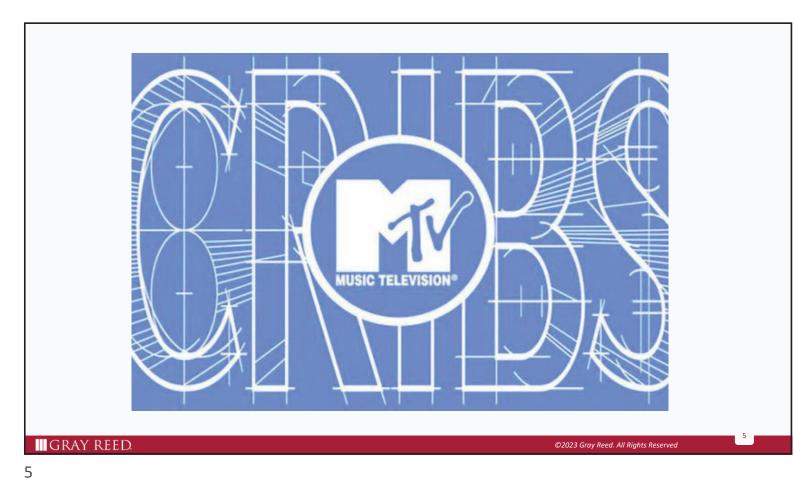
**Property Wars** 



## Vesting vs. Rights of Possession

- Vesting happens immediately upon death
- But is subject to PR's right to collect and of possession
- PR must use ordinary diligence to collect
- Enforceable by court order
- Includes certain community property assets
- Does not include homestead

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## Homestead Rights of Occupancy

- Right of surviving spouse and decedent's minor children
- Vests immediately upon decedent's death
- Continues until abandoned
- Not affected by characterization
- Devise of homestead delayed during occupancy
- Practical issues: What is considered abandonment? What if homesteader does not pay for his/her liabilities?

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