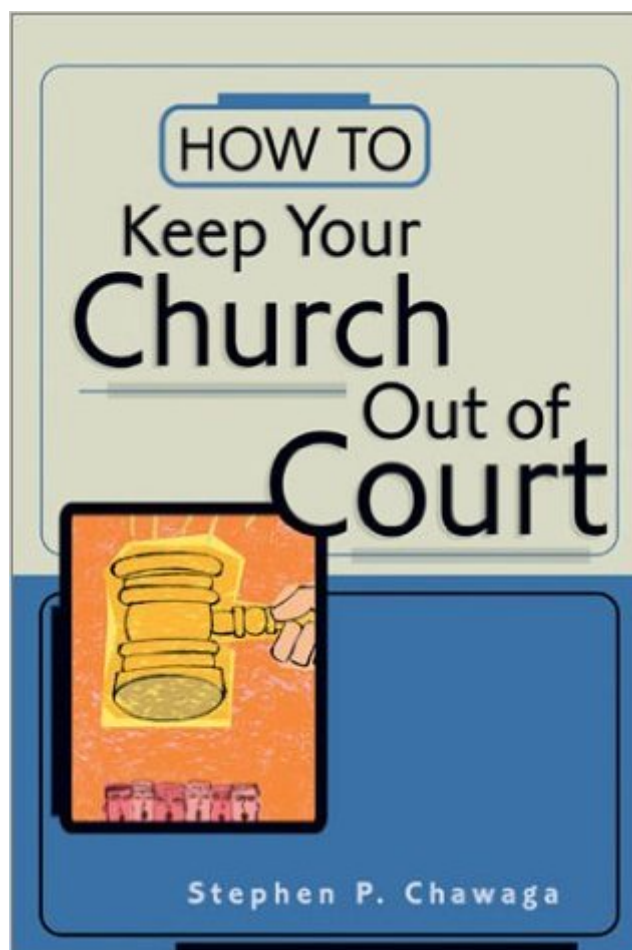


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# How To Keep Your Church Out Of Court



## Synopsis

This book addresses the need for development and maintenance of physically and legally safe premises for worship and Christian activities for the local congregation. In clear, non-technical language, it explains the steps that leaders and trustees should take to avoid litigation from non-members who may use their church property. This book deals with: General Principles of Liability Liability to Employees Liability for Actions of Employees and Volunteers Defenses to Liability Insurance

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We've all heard of ridiculous liability lawsuits that we think will never stand a chance in court and then, to our surprise, find that huge jackpots are awarded to the plaintiff of these suits! The woman who was awarded \$3 million for spilling McDonalds coffee on herself comes to mind for me, but there are hundreds of similar rulings and similar outrageous payouts. With increasingly more people filing such lawsuits how confident are you that your church will not be found liable for something or another and forced to pay our tremendous amounts of money? Stephen Chawaga, a Philadelphia attorney, has put together a brief (80 page) handbook introducing liability and the general principles of this confusing legal area. Focusing on charitable institutions--and especially churches--Chawaga explains various scenarios in which a church **WOULD** be found liable by a court and also scenarios in which a court **WOULD NOT** be found liable and why. He also gives a good deal of practice advice concerning how to protect yourself against exposure to liable suits. Whether it's personal injury (slipping and falling) suits, employee injury suits, or suits resulting from the inappropriate

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