

Pointless Figure 9.2 A Quick Reference to Types of Law That in No Way Gets You Out of Reading This Chapter Because We Left Stuff Out Here

Public Law

- Concerns the relationships involving the government and individuals or organizations
- **Civil Law:** Governs relation between private parties
- **Common Law:** Governs based on custom and precedent
- **Criminal Law:** Defines specific crimes and details the punishments for offenses

Natural Law

- Governs based on the belief in a higher law that originates with God or nature
- Elements of natural law may be found in both public and private law

Other Law

- Concerns all the things we left out of this figure

Private Law

- Concerns relations among private individuals and private organizations

Religious Law

- Governs behavior based on religious tenets, like Islam's sharia
- Elements of religious law may be found in both public and private law