**§703. Defenses**

The owner or occupant of such mill or canal may answer that the plaintiff has no right, title or estate in the lands alleged to be injured; or that the owner or occupant has a right to maintain such dam, and flow the lands, or divert the water for an agreed price, or without any compensation; or any other matter that may show that the plaintiff cannot maintain the action; but the owner or occupant may not answer that the land described is not injured by such dam or canal. [RR 2021, c. 2, Pt. B, §248 (COR).]

SECTION HISTORY

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