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Supreme Court Says Specific Performance Decrees Can Be Assigned Without Registration

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In a ruling that slices through decades of procedural clutter, the Supreme Court has declared that a decree for specific performance of an agreement to sell may be handed over—assigned—without the ritual of registration. Why? Because such a decree isn't a vessel carrying ownership; it's merely a pass allowing the holder to ask the court to enforce a promise.

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