Specific performance is a remedy which orders the defendant to perform his obligations under the contract. It is an equitable remedy which is available in the discretion of the court. This chapter examines the circumstances in which the courts will make a specific performance order. Particular attention is given to the decision of the House of Lords in Co-operative Insurance Society Ltd v. Argyll Stores (Holdings) Ltd [1998] AC 1. It also considers the question whether English law should develop a more liberal approach to the availability of specific performance and recognize the existence of a general right to specific performance.
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