

Methodology for Dedicating Efforts to Educating the Public on Contemporary Financial Transactions

First: The ability to dedicate time and attention to Studying contemporary cases.

Because resolving emerging issues depends on *Ijtihad*¹, the researcher responsible for examining them must be fully qualified for *Ijtihad* and fulfill the following requirements:

- 1- Comprehensive understanding of the Quran.
- 2- Comprehensive understanding of the Prophetic hadith (Sunnah).
- 3- Knowledge of legal consensus (Ijma'): awareness of issues where past consensus was reached to prevent contradictory or invalid rulings.
- 4- Deep mastery of the Arabic language: advanced knowledge of grammar, rhetoric, vocabulary, and linguistic nuances.
- 5- Should have the skill of *ijtihad* i.e. to have a jurisprudence talent that helps him to understand the jurisprudence's issues.
- 6- Should be honest in his words and actions, avoid the major sins and not insist on doing minor sins.
- 7- Should be aware of the higher objectives of the religion (Maqasid al-Shari'ah): by grasping the main purposes of Islamic law (preserving faith, life, intellect, lineage, and wealth) and understanding the lived reality to apply rulings effectively.
- 8- To be able to elicit/drive the rules from the contemporary scholars' books.
- 9- Understanding the lived reality and the circumstances around it to apply rulings effectively .

¹ *Ijtihad*: The total expenditure of effort by a qualified jurist (*Mujtahid*) to deduce operational Islamic rulings (*ahkam shar'iyah*) from detailed scriptural evidence (*al-adillah al-tafsiliyyah*).

Secondly: The steps a scholar goes through to determine a ruling for a new financial case:

- 1- Praying to Allah, asking him to inspire his mind and provide him with right foresight in this contemporary case.
- 2-A deep understanding of the subject of the case can help to give a judgment with confidence.
- 3- Searching for the emerging case in the legal texts from the Qur'an and the Prophet's Sunnah.
- 4- Examining this case in light of the Companions' sayings and arguments.
- 5-Searching for the ruling in the jurisprudence of the four imams of the schools of jurisprudence.
- 6-Searching in the new sources of information in recent scholars' articles.
- 7- Using his own opinion in giving the correct rule.
- 8-If the he still could not reach any legitimate rule for this newly merged case; he should refrain from ruling (Fatwa).

Incorporeal Rights

Definition of Rights:

An exclusive entitlement by which the Law (*Shari'ah*) establishes an authority or an obligation.

Types of Rights: (political -civil)

1. Political rights

These are the rights which have been established by the law for the individuals to organize the ruling and its different authorities, like the right of election and nomination.

2. Civil rights

Aimed to establish the individual's interests directly, and it divides into two divisions: **(General-private)**

A) General Rights:

Aimed to surround the human's person with the obligated care and respect. They are also termed inherent personality rights (rights inherent to the person), the denial of which is considered a degradation of human dignity i.e. the human right for his body safety, his inviolability of his residence. etc.

B) Private Rights:

It arises as a result of bonds between individuals under the rules of private law with its different branches from civil law and personal affairs and others. It divides into two divisions: **(Family-financial)**

1- **Family rights:** Decided by the rules of personal affairs like the right of custody and the rights of divorce etc.

2- **Financial rights:** Which could be evaluated with money, it has three types:

Personal rights	Material rights	Incorporeal rights
It is a law relation between two persons like a creditor and debetor, it's called the commitments	It is a direct authority given by the law to a person on material thing, it is called property rights	(the rights of innovation) it is authority of a person on something incorporeal

