Maxims of Equity

1. Equity sees that as done what ought to be done
2. Equity will not suffer a wrong to be without a remedy
3. Equity delights in equality
4. One who seeks equity must do equity
5. Equity aids the vigilant, not those who slumber on their rights
6. Equity imputes an intent to fulfill an obligation
7. Equity acts *in personam*
8. Equity abhors a forfeiture
9. Equity does not require an idle gesture
10. He who comes into equity must come with clean hands
11. Equity delights to do justice and not by halves
12. Equity will take jurisdiction to avoid a multiplicity of suits
13. Equity follows the law
14. Equity will not aid a volunteer
15. Where equities are equal, the law will prevail
16. Between equal equities the first in order of time shall prevail
17. Equity will not complete an imperfect gift
18. Equity will not allow a statute to be used as a cloak for fraud
19. Equity will not allow a trust to fail for want of a trustee
20. Equity regards the beneficiary as the true owner.

(<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Maxims_of_equity)>