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throughout most of the seventeenth century, Agren argues. Around

1700, a campaign to codify spousal property rights