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For lawyers in the 16th and 17th centuries, married women were placed under the authority of their husbands. They were deprived of legal capacity and considered minors, which was not the case at the end of the Middle Ages. They could not therefore perform any legal acts without their husbands' authorisation.



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