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Appreciating Tax Law, from Concepts to Complexities



Anne Alstott

Taxation in Six Concepts: A Student's Guide

CCH Inc., 2015

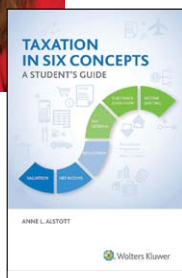
Anne Alstott's '87 *Taxation in Six Concepts: A Student's Guide* boils down the law of taxation to just six concepts – valuation, net income, realization, tax deferral, substance over form, and income-shifting – and uses them to unpack leading cases and real-world transactions.

Alstott explains the impetus behind her book: “Tax law has an undeserved reputation as dry and corporate. In fact, tax is – in all seriousness – fascinating.

“In the United States, more so than in any other developed country, the tax law hosts many of the government’s most important social and economic policies.” She continues,

“Many people think that tax is terribly hard to understand, but in fact, the subject is theoretically coherent and even logical, once you grasp a handful of basic concepts.”

Taxation in Six Concepts, Alstott says, provides a short and readable guide for law and business students. The book not only explains the major cases taught in a typical Federal Income Tax class but also applies the six concepts to illustrate tax planning for transactions in securities and real estate. ∞



Here's just a sampling of the many other books recently written or edited by our alumni, faculty, staff, and students.

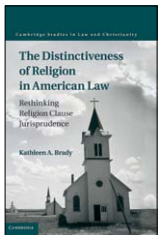
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Kathleen A. Brady

The Distinctiveness of Religion in American Law: Rethinking Religion Clause Jurisprudence

Cambridge University Press, 2015



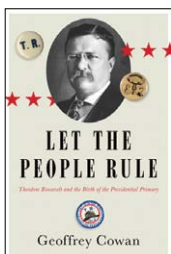
Brady '94 analyzes the shifting away from religion in America and the impact of that shift on decisions about religion and religious freedom in the courts. The author uses theology, philosophy, and comparative religion to develop a new framework for religion clause decision making.

Geoffrey Cowan

Let the People Rule:

Theodore Roosevelt and the Birth of the Presidential Primary

W.W. Norton & Co., 2015

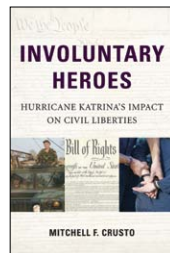


Cowan '68 describes Teddy Roosevelt's 1912 campaign, when he came out of retirement to challenge Taft for the Republican Party's nomination for president, prompting the creation of primary elections. Drawing on new sources, Cowan paints a vivid, dramatic, and often unsettling portrait of Roosevelt's political machinations.

Mitchell F. Crusto

Involuntary Heroes: Hurricane Katrina's Impact on Civil Liberties

Carolina Academic Press, 2015



Crusto '81 explores how state emergency laws impact constitutional civil liberties in times of crisis, such as Hurricane Katrina. He looks closely at those whose rights were not maintained during the emergency and had little redress in the judicial system.

Ronald L. Goldfarb, ed.

After Snowden: Privacy, Secrecy, and Security in the Information Age

Thomas Dunne Books, 2015



This book of essays, edited by Goldfarb '60 LL.M., '62 J.S.D., examines the ramifications of the Snowden leaks. Authors include Barry Siegel, Hodding Carter, Edward Wasserman, David Cole '84, Thomas Blanton, and Jon Mills.

**Bastards
of the
Reagan Era**

Reginald Dwayne Betts

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Bastards of the Reagan Era

Four Way Books, 2015

IN HIS NEW COLLECTION of poems, Betts '16 continues the explorations of American and African American realities he began in his first collection, *Shahid Reads His Own Palm* (2010), drawing on his unique struggles in the journey from prison to law school. He is also the author of *A Question of Freedom: A Memoir of Learning, Survival, and Coming of Age in Prison* (2009).

Bastards of the Reagan Era has been widely praised, including laudatory reviews in the *New York Times*, *Booklist*, and *Publishers Weekly*.

"Bastards of the Reagan Era,' Mr. Betts's second volume of verse, demonstrates his ability to use the musical power of words to convey what it is like to grow up black and marginalized, and the crushing, humiliating experience of prison."

— Michiko Kakutani for
The New York Times

"The redemption he has found in wrestling, fearlessly, with the destructive decisions — and decade — of his generation's trials is mesmerizing and beautiful in the language and rhythms of his pen."

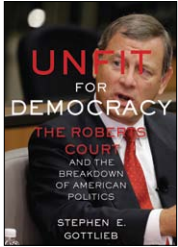
— Henry Louis Gates, Jr.,
Harvard University



Stephen Gottlieb

Unfit for Democracy: The Roberts Court and the Breakdown of American Politics

NYU Press, January 2016



Gottlieb '65 LLB breaks down the decisions of the Roberts Court from political science, historical, comparative, and legal perspectives. He argues that constitutional law must be determined in concert with a focus on the future of democratic government.

F. Michael Higginbotham

Race Law (fourth edition)

Carolina Academic Press, 2015

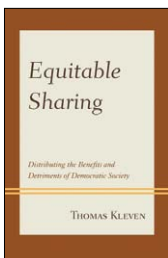


Higginbotham '82 provides an in-depth examination of the issue of race and values in the American legal process. This revised edition offers new material on citizenship, immigration, politics, criminal justice, affirmative action, and voting rights.

Thomas Kleven

Equitable Sharing: Distributing the Benefits and Detriments of Democratic Society

Lexington Books, 2015

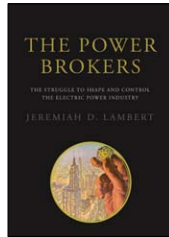


Kleven '67 demonstrates the importance of equitable sharing to democracy by examining the political philosophies of John Locke, John Stuart Mill, and John Rawls. The author posits that the primary responsibility falls to the legislative branch, while the Supreme Court also plays an important role.

Jeremiah D. Lambert

The Power Brokers

MIT Press, 2015

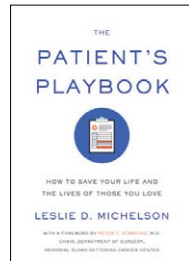


By focusing on seven key industry players, Lambert '59 dissects the interplay between electric utilities and government regulators in the United States from the late nineteenth century until today.

Leslie D. Michelson

The Patient's Playbook: How to Save Your Life and the Lives of Those You Love

Alfred A. Knopf, 2015

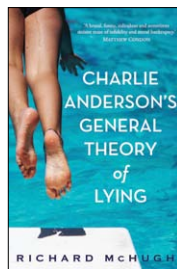


This practical guide by Michelson '76 suggests effective techniques to get the best possible medical care, including choosing doctors, being prepared before an illness strikes, and avoiding mistakes during a medical emergency. The author is a medical case management expert and advocate for patient education.

Richard McHugh

Charlie Anderson's General Theory of Lying

Viking, 2015

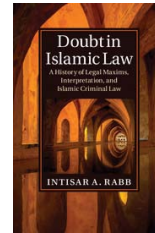


This debut novel by McHugh '97 LL.M follows titular character Charlie, a successful consultant in Sydney, Australia, and his wife Anne, who is on her way to becoming the first female CEO in her bank's history. Charlie has rules for handling everything in his life, but when he needs to support his wife and her career, even those rules can't keep him from stumbling.

Intisar A. Rabb

Doubt in Islamic Law: A History of Legal Maxims, Interpretations, and Islamic Criminal Law

Cambridge University Press, 2015

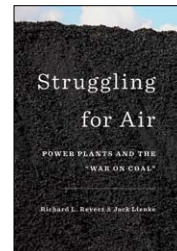


Rabb '06 explores how medieval Muslim jurists resolved criminal cases that could not be proved beyond a doubt. She questions the contemporary notion that Islamic law is inflexible, providing historic evidence of a highly sophisticated and regulated system of Islamic law.

Richard Revesz and Jack Lienke

Struggling for Air: Power Plants and the "War on Coal"

Oxford University Press, 2015



Co-authors Revesz '83 and Lienke chronicle the political compromises that led to exempting existing power plants, especially coal, from the regulations of the Clean Air Act. They detail the consequences of those negotiations and how subsequent administrations have tried to solve this problem.

Kermit Roosevelt

Allegiance

Simon & Schuster, 2015

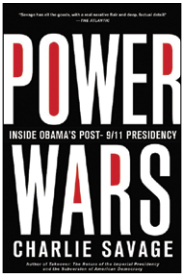


This legal thriller by Roosevelt '97 is set at the time of the attack on Pearl Harbor. Cash Harrison is a clerk to a Supreme Court Justice when he stumbles onto a potentially huge conspiracy.

Charlie Savage

Power Wars:

Inside Obama's Post-9/11 Presidency

Little, Brown and Company, 2015

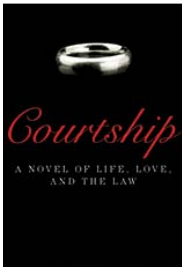
Through interviews with more than 150 current and former officials, Savage '03 MSL details the Obama administration's national security decisions. The book analyzes the process from Obama's campaign promises to his policies.

R.L. Sommer

(pseudonym for Ronald L. Goldfarb)

Courtship:

A Novel of Life, Love, and the Law

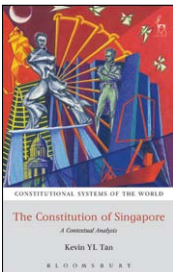
Ankerwycke, 2015

This first novel by Goldfarb '60 LLM, '62 JSD is a love story set over 60 years and 3 continents about a successful Jewish trial lawyer and his Southern aristocratic wife, who meet en route to Cambridge, England.

Kevin YL Tan

The Constitution of Singapore:

A Contextual Analysis

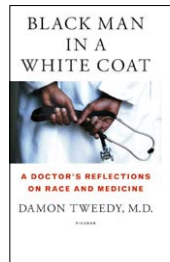
Hart Publishing, 2015

Tan '88 LLM, '96 JSD describes the context of the drafting of Singapore's constitution in 1965 and the development and amendments since. The book examines how the rule of law is perceived by the strong centrist state.

Damon Tweedy

Black Man in a White Coat:

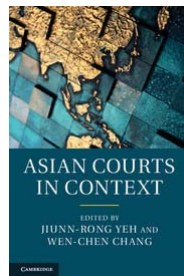
A Doctor's Reflections on Race and Medicine

Picador, 2015

Tweedy's '03 memoir of his experiences in medical school and as a doctor pinpoints the many ways race impacts health and health care. He illustrates the complex social, cultural, and economic factors at the root of many health issues in the black community.

Jiunn-Rong Yeh and Wen-Chen Chang, eds.

Asian Courts in Context

Cambridge University Press, 2015

Yeh '86 LLM, '88 JSD and Chang '98 LLM, '01 JSD are editors of the first book in English to provide an overview of Asian courts in the context of current global and regional developments. The authors analyze the changing roles and impacts of Asian judicial systems. Essays by Kevin YL Tan '88 LLM, '96 JSD and Norikazu Kawagishi '93 LLM, '04 JSD are included.

ALSO OF NOTE**John Mixon '62 LLM**Autobiography of a Law School
*University of Houston Law Foundation, 2012***Robert Reich '73**

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For the Many, Not the Few

*Knopf, 2015***Edwin S. Rockefeller '51**Yale & the Ivy League Cartel:
How a College Lost Its Soul and
Became a Hedge Fund*Fedeli Publishing Inc., 2015***Kevin YL Tan '88 LLM, '96 JSD**

Of Whales and Dinosaurs:

The Story of Singapore's
Natural History Museum*NUS Press, 2015***Daringly Different:**

The Making of

Singapore Management University
*Singapore Management University, 2015***The Singapore Co-operative Story:**
1925-2015*Singapore National Cooperative Federation,*
2015**Kevin YL Tan '88 LLM, '96 JSD**

and Thio Li-ann

Singapore: 50 Constitutional Moments

That Defined a Nation

Marshall Cavendish international
*(Asia) Pte Ltd., Feb. 2016***Jiunn-Rong Yeh '86 LLM, '88 JSD, ed.**The Functional Transformation
of Courts:Taiwan and Korea in Comparison
(Global East Asia)*V&R Unipress, 2015***Jiunn-Rong Yeh '86 LLM, '88 JSD,****Kevin YL Tan '88 LLM, '96 JSD, &**
Wen-Chen Chang '98 LLM, '01 JSD

Constitutionalism in Asia:

Cases and Materials

Hart Publishing, 2014