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Elbridge Thomas Gerry
An Exceptional Life in Gilded Gotham
Shelly L. Dowling
Talbot Publishing (an imprint of The Lawbook Exchange, Ltd.), 2017
xix, 738 pp., Hardcover, extensively illustrated

ELBRIDGE T. GERRY [1837–1927], grandson of Founding Father Elbridge Gerry who signed the Declaration of Independence, was a prominent and influential Gilded Age New York trial lawyer, philanthropist and bibliophile whose 30,000 volume library became the foundation of the United States Supreme Court Library. Dowling’s extensively illustrated biography of Gerry highlights the influence of his family and its links to other prominent New York families, the Gallatins, Goelets and Livingstons.

This biography of Gerry is also the story of Gilded Age New York, when the glamorous society balls that provided entertainment to wealthy New York families such as the Astors and Vanderbilts belied their philanthropic contributions in the Progressive era. Gerry built the first steam yacht, the Electra, which became the flagship of the New York Yacht Club while he also sat on hospital boards and founded the New York Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, which still operates today. As Dowling shows, Gerry’s brilliance and passion was at the heart of it all.

Shelley L. Dowling has drawn on her extensive research experience as the Librarian of the United States Supreme Court to produce an exceptional work that traces the history of one of America’s most respected families through several generations. At the center of her opus is Commodore Elbridge Thomas, the grandson of the Founding Father, who was a New York City lawyer and philanthropist and the man who donated his book collection to the Supreme Court in 1928—thereby establishing its library. Dowling has ambitiously chosen to expand her scope to include the Gallatin, Goelet, and Livingston families.... Together their stories paint a compelling picture of New York in the Gilded Age.

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The Lindbergh Kidnapping Case
A Critical Analysis of the Trial of Bruno Richard Hauptmann
JAMES M. DEDMAN III AND GEORGE R. DEKLE, SR.
Talbot Publishing (an imprint of The Lawbook Exchange, Ltd.), 2016
xvii, 394 pp.

The kidnapping and murder of Charles A. Lindbergh Jr. touched off one of the most massive manhunts in the history of American crime detection and generated so much publicity at home and abroad that it was touted as the “Crime of the Century.” The arrest of Bruno Richard Hauptmann in connection with the kidnapping inevitably led to the “Trial of the Century.” Although Hauptmann was almost universally detested at the time of the trial, the tide of public opinion began to change with his conviction. In the decades following Hauptmann’s execution, writers have advanced one theory after another seeking to pin the blame upon various members of the Lindbergh household and others. Almost every aspect of the crime and the investigation has been examined and critiqued—with one exception. No one has written a critical analysis of the trial itself. This book seeks to remedy that omission with an investigation and evaluation of the marshalling, presentation, and arguing of the evidence, and a study of the post-conviction litigation.

Their analysis of the proceedings before, during, and after this famous trial is a must-read for trial advocacy students and all other trial enthusiasts.

LAURA ROSEN BURY
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The Creation of the Common Law
The Medieval Year Books Deciphered
Thomas Lund

Talbot Publishing (an imprint of The Lawbook Exchange, Ltd.), 2015
xx, 371 pp.


In this modern compilation and commentary, the most important medieval cases are paraphrased and analyzed, making this interesting and entertaining litigation accessible to everyone. Although Maitland's classic History of English Law ends at Henry III's death, until now no one has explained in clear modern language the transformative events that followed. After Edward I became king, Chief Justice Bereford took charge of the legal system, and created law in accord with his own sense of justice. The book puts his innovations into the context of contemporary American and English law.

THOMAS LUND is a Professor at the S. J. Quinney College of Law, University of Utah. An "Environmental Affairs" review described Lund as "probably the leading authority on the history of wildlife law." Lund has written about medieval law for many years.

Law, Political Thought, and the Ancient Constitution
A Case Study of George Saltern's Of the Antient Lawes of Great Britaine
Erin Rahne Kidwell

Talbot Publishing (an imprint of The Lawbook Exchange, Ltd.), 2016
xviii, 330 pp.


The blending of myth and legal history evident in the body of literary and legal texts produced to debate the union proposals of James VI and I following the king's proclamation of them in 1604 illustrates the seamless nature of the legal and literary canons at a formative moment in the history of British-American constitutionalism. This case study focuses on one of the lesser known Union Tracts, George Saltern's 1605 Of the Antient Lawes of Great Britaine in conjunction with examples from various union tracts and contemporaneous works in British history, Calvin's Case and other judicial opinions, and works of British-American political thought to illustrate and evaluate the creative mix of mythical and historical elements present in the juridical historiography of the ancient constitution. King James's proposed 'restitution' of a realm which had in fact never previously existed in history—the unified realm of Great Britain—could only have been defended through such a blend of literary myth, history, and legal precedents. Furthermore, tracing the juridical historiography of ancient constitutionalism over the following centuries reveals the surprising extent to which ancient constitutionalist thought has continued to influence the development of British-American constitutionalism to the present day. The appendix includes a facsimile of George Saltern's Of the Antient Lawes of Great Britaine (1605).

ERIN RAHNE KIDWELL is the Curator of Legal History Collections at Georgetown Law Library.
Russia and the Great War 1914 to 1924
A Brief Calendar of State Practice

Peter Macalister-Smith
Joachim Schwietzke

Talbot Publishing (an imprint of The Lawbook Exchange, Ltd.), 2017
liii, 238 pp.


Russia and the Great War 1914 to 1924: A Brief Calendar of State Practice is a chronicle of events in diplomacy and international relations combined with references to sources and documentary extracts. A key to several kinds of distinctive information, the Calendar locates 200 official acts in time and place, names the parties, supplies a title in English for each instrument, cites versions in authentic languages and translations, and includes references to related acts and instruments within and beyond the reporting period for Russia, the Russian Soviet Federative Socialist Republic, and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

The book is a baseline chronology documenting events from global history intended for study, research and ready reference.


JOACHIM SCHWIEZTKE is Library Director emeritus at the Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and International Law, Heidelberg, Germany.

At last a worthy companion to the Slusser/Triska calendar of Soviet treaties, one that in marking the century since the Russian revolutions addresses State practice in the broader meaning that will appeal to international and comparative lawyers and to specialists in international relations and foreign policy – all collected, annotated, and indexed with the scrupulous accuracy and thoroughness for which the compilers are noted.

WILLIAM E. BUTLER
Penn State Dickinson Law (Carlisle)

The Origins of Western Law from Athens to the Code Napoleon

John E. Ecklund
Constance Cryer Ecklund, Editor

Talbot Publishing (an imprint of The Lawbook Exchange, Ltd.), 2014


Charts the horizon of Western legal origins. Eternal Platonic truths versus the Sophists of individual preferences, medieval Realists against Nominalists, natural lawyers of the 17th and later centuries, Montesquieu and other Enlightenment thinkers fighting through principles and personhood. These and many more figures and ideas come alive in this comprehensive survey of the antecedents of our modern legal system.

This is a magisterial book written by a magisterial man, John Ecklund, and his wife and editor Dr. Constance Cryer Ecklund. The subject, scope, and depth of the book seem to flow naturally from the man I was privileged to know in New Haven and at Yale for decades. On first meeting, most people would be struck by John’s physical presence (he was tall), then by his civility, and then by his great intellect and thoughtfulness. He served Yale and New Haven as few others have. This excellent book is a living legacy that, I hope, will educate generations to come about the philosophical and historical antecedents of our system of law which remains one of America’s greatest assets.

SENATOR JOSEPH I. LIEBERMAN

This is a formidable work. Of particular interest is Mr. Ecklund’s illuminating descriptions of the remarkable thinkers who, over a span of more than 2,000 years, have shaped the course of western law from its classical roots to the promulgation of the Napoleonic Code. This history ends with that 200-year-old event for a very good reason: that code remains today the basis of the law of much of Europe and Latin America, and of our own state of Louisiana.

JAMES L. BUCKLEY
The New Method of Learning and Teaching Jurisprudence
According to the Principles of the Didactic Art Premised in the General Part and in the Light of Experience

A Translation of the 1667 Frankfurt Edition with Notes by Carmelo Massimo de Iuliis
Preface by William E. Butler

Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz

Talbot Publishing (an imprint of The Lawbook Exchange, Ltd.), 2017


The first complete English translation from the Latin of Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz’s Nova Methodus Discendae Docendaeque Jurisprudentiae

Better known for his contributions to philosophy, metaphysics and mathematics as co-discoverer along with Isaac Newton of calculus, Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz was also an attorney, diplomat, state official and judge of the Mainz court of appeals. The New Method of Learning and Teaching Jurisprudence is his prescription for a curriculum of study for lawyers and as such is an important indicator of the origins of legal education in the late renaissance year of 1667, when John Milton published Paradise Lost.

Already translated into German and French, this is the first unabridged translation of the 1667 Frankfurt edition in a modern language, a new direct translation of the Latin text with notes by Carmelo Massimo de Iuliis (Department of Public and Private Economy Law, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Milano). The translation is enhanced by De Iuliis’ introduction that offers a biographical sketch of Leibniz, an overview of the reception of his ideas, and a discussion of Leibniz’ views on the philosophical concepts of logic and rhetoric as applied to the study of jurisprudence and a systematic reconstruction of legal systems.

GOTTfried WILHELM LEIBnIZ [1646–1716] wrote several important legal treaties. First published in 1677, Codex De Jure Suprematus dealt with issues of sovereignty, diplomacy and precedence among the states of the Holy Roman Empire. First published in 1693, the second volume in 1700, the Codex Juris Diplomaticus was a collection of annotated treaties and other source materials relating to the diplomatic history of the Guelph states, whose conflict with the Ghibelline states was one of the major international issues of the time.

The Constitutional Convention of 1787
Revised Second Edition

John R. Vile

Talbot Publishing (an imprint of The Lawbook Exchange, Ltd.), 2016

2 vols. 8-1/2” x 11.” lxxv, 1,157 pp. Illustrated.


Now with nearly 400 new and updated entries and over 120 illustrations and maps, this revised and expanded edition of this impressive encyclopedia shows in detail the lively, contentious, four-month process that produced the United States Constitution. With fascinating detailed portraits of the Framers, we are taken behind the scenes into the fiery debates between powerful personalities and the hard-fought battles and compromises that resulted in one of the most important documents in history.

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• Analysis of Convention discussion of dominant historical and philosophical influences and themes and how and why they were included in the Constitution.
• A thorough appendix containing original documents and text of important speeches.
• Suggested readings for each entry, cross-references, a topical table of contents, an up-to-date and thorough bibliography, index.
Justice Holmes:
The Measure of His Thought

Anthony Murray
Edwin G. Quattlebaum III

Talbot Publishing (an imprint of The Lawbook Exchange, Ltd.), 2017
xi, 184 pp.


Written in a lucid style and well illustrated, Justice Holmes: The Measure of His Thought offers a biographical look at the influences that have shaped his judicial outlook, especially his open-minded refusal to inject his own views into his legal decisions. The authors demonstrate — especially through Justice Holmes’s 1919 opinions on speech — what would be obvious to a veteran of the courtroom, but not always to a biographer or a professor: that there is a big difference between “questions of law” before an appellate judge, and “questions of fact” determined by a trial judge or jury. The authors also examine Holmes’s childhood and family influences as well as his Civil War experience that shaped his views on natural law and religion. The book describes United State Supreme Court Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes’s intellectual influences and includes photos of his book collection now at the Library of Congress. Through a discussion of the letters Holmes wrote at his Beverly Farms, MA home where he summered when the Court was not in session, we are given a window into his remarkable wit as well as his philosophical views. The book includes rare photographs of Beverly Farms.

This short, very readable biography of Oliver Wendell Holmes masterfully describes what shaped this great justice and how he shaped the law. Holmes’s life tells us about a century of American history, as Holmes lived from 1841 until 1935, fighting in the Civil War and enduring the depression. Few Supreme Court justices have had a more profound impact on the Constitution and this superb book tells how and explains why.

ERWIN CHEMERINSKY
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The Unsigned Essays of Supreme Court Justice Joseph Story
Early American Views of Law

Valerie L. Horowitz, Editor


Talbot Publishing, (an imprint of The Lawbook Exchange, Ltd.), 2015
xxx, 387 pp.

Written anonymously for the Encyclopedia Americana and now gathered in one volume, this work presents eighteen articles on major legal subjects by Joseph Story, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States and the first Dane Professor at Harvard Law School. The articles are virtually unknown today because they were unsigned and never republished in any other form. Ranging from “Law, Legislation and Codes,” “Common Law” and “Congress of the United States,” to “Law of Nations,” “Natural Law” and “Prize,” these extended essays are fascinating distillations of Story’s jurisprudence. The Encyclopedia Americana was edited by Story’s friend Francis Lieber (1798–1872) who wrote the “Lieber Code” and was a distinguished professor at Columbia Law School who helped establish the field of political science in the United States. The book includes an introduction by Morris L. Cohen that describes the genesis of Story’s involvement in writing the pieces and some of their main ideas. The appendix offers texts of rare related materials. With an index.

Talbot Publishing has done a signal service in ensuring continued attention to Justice Story’s foundational essays — which were the precursor to the modern law reform work of the American Law Institute and the Conference of Uniform State Law Commissioners.

RUTH WEDGWOOD
Edward Burling Professor of International Law, Johns Hopkins University

In this handsome volume, we have for the first time a reader-friendly edition of Joseph Story’s little-known essays on American law published anonymously in Francis Lieber’s Encyclopedia Americana. Written in plain English for laymen and professionals alike, the essays attest to Story’s almost religious belief that only scientific law could save the republic from impending chaos.

R. KENT NEWMYER
University of Connecticut School of Law
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Ultra Vires
Why the IRS Lacks the Jurisdiction and Authority to Regulate Nonprofit Governance

Bruce R. Hopkins

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xii, 296 pp.


Without warning, the IRS began, in 2007, to regulate in the realm of nonprofit governance. Ultra Vires offers an explanation as to why, as a matter of law, the IRS does not have the jurisdiction or the authority to regulate the governance affairs of the nation’s public charities and other categories of tax-exempt organizations.

Ultra Vires reviews the federal law concerning government agencies’ jurisdiction and authority. The book evaluates IRS policymaking and demonstrates that the IRS’s policies are arbitrary and capricious. Ultra Vires concludes that the IRS lacks both the jurisdiction and authority in connection with nonprofit governance.

Ultra Vires provides a solid legal underpinning for those who are concerned about the IRS’s expansion of its authority into the realm of nonprofit governance, particularly when the IRS has a lengthy record of getting the underlying law wrong and imposing detrimental policies and practices on these organizations. It will be a necessary read for nonprofit directors, trustees, officers and senior executive staff and their lawyers.

Bruce Hopkins is a remarkable lawyer and one of this country’s leading experts on nonprofit entities. The book you hold is the fruit of his decision to take an SJD at the University of Kansas School of Law. In this book is the product of decades of practice and several years of intense writing and thinking and is a “must read” for anybody interested in nonprofit governance.

MICHAELE N. HOFELICH
John H. & John M. Kane Professor of Law,
University of Kansas School of Law

The IRS, in a move that shocked the nonprofit sector, decided it should oversee not only the compliance by nonprofit organizations with the tax laws, but how and by whom the organizations should be governed. In Ultra Vires, Bruce Hopkins more than makes the case for the IRS overstepping its boundaries with nonprofit governance and in creating law where there is none to be found. This book is a fascinating study in government non-restraint and will be enjoyed by all who care about charities and other exempt organizations.

VIRGINIA C. GROSS
tax-exempt organizations lawyer and partner, Potomac PC

Bruce Hopkins sheds light on the IRS’s regulation of nonprofit governance using his usual well-honed tools: perspective, insight, legal acuity, and dry wit. He offers the benefit of nearly 50 years of experience as a nonprofit lawyer and academician in asserting the proper role of government in overseeing the core fiduciary duty of every nonprofit: effective governance. As Hopkins lays out in a compelling legal analysis, the IRS has regulated in this area without jurisdiction or authority or the catalyst of scandal or legislative demand. He skillfully encourages the IRS to stick to the knitting.

THOMAS K. HYATT
Partner, Dentons US LLP

Ultra Vires presents a compelling case why the IRS’s recent foray into the regulation of nonprofit governance is beyond the scope of the IRS’s jurisdiction and authority. One can only hope that the IRS will accept Mr. Hopkins’ well-reasoned invitation to desist from its exorbitant, and often misguided, regulatory experiments in this area, thereby freeing up scarce resources for other matters within its jurisdiction that desperately need guidance from the IRS. Additionally, for its useful discussions of the law regarding the deference owed to IRS regulations and other guidance, and governance “best practices” promulgated by organizations other than the IRS, space must be made for Ultra Vires on the shelves of any tax-exempt practitioner’s library.

SHANE HAMILTON
Special Counsel, Miller & Chevalier Chartered

In Ultra Vires, Bruce Hopkins explains that one of the most important developments in the evolution of the law of nonprofit organizations is the IRS’s entry into the realm of nonprofit governance in 2007. Hopkins argues in great detail that the exempt organizations (EO) function of the IRS should not persist in a regulatory effort – its nonprofit governance initiative – that is beyond the scope of its jurisdiction and authority, and he faults the IRS for relying on a doctrine – private benefit – that is not applicable. Instead, the IRS should be doing what the law and good policy in the EO area demands. Its attempted regulation of nonprofit governance, including the composition and functioning of governing boards and related managerial concerns, is an example of extreme agency overreach that detracts from its mission and adversely impacts nonprofit organizations. Hopkins maintains that nonprofit governance concerns are the province of state regulators and hence the IRS should not be playing a role.

PAUL STRECKFUS
Editor, EO Tax Journal

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Lynching and the Law (1933)
James Harmon Chadborn
xiv (new introduction), xi, 221 pp.
This title was issued under the auspices of the Southern Commission on the Study of Lynching. A work of great authority because it was produced by Southern jurists, it was cited frequently in the 1932 Senate hearings on lynching. Its conclusions are based in part on a comprehensive survey of over 3,700 lynchings, mostly of African-Americans, between 1889 and 1932.
This excellent monograph and the proposed statute have unusual significance in view of the present possibility of further state and national legislation dealing with this urgent problem.
H.C. BREARLEY, Social Forces 12 (1933-34) 610

Race Traits and Tendencies of the American Negro (1896)
Frederick L. Hoffman
vii (new introduction), x, 329 pp.
A fascinating study of the circumstances of African-Americans during the first thirty years from the emancipation of slavery in the United States. Hoffman was the statistician to the Prudential Insurance Company of America at the time of this publication, and as such collected vital and social statistics regarding African-Americans.
 Hardcover 2004 ISBN 978-1-58477-318-4 $34.95

The Law of Freedom and Bondage in the United States (1858)
John Codman Hurd
v (new introduction), xlvii, 617; xliii, 800 pp.
According to the Dictionary of American Biography, this treatise “on the most exciting topic of the age has never been excelled” due to its “thorough research, exhaustive discussion and impartial treatment” (VI:423).

An Invaluable History of Segregation and Racism

The Development of State Legislation Concerning the Free Negro (1918)
Franklin Johnson
Long out of print and difficult to locate today, this revised Columbia University doctoral thesis reviews all of the laws enacted by the United States and each individual state to 1917 relating specifically to African-Americans. Based on painstaking research, this is a valuable reference for students of civil rights and African-American legal history.

Thirty Years of Lynching in the United States 1889-1918 (1919)
National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
viii (iii-viii new Introduction), 105 pp. Ill., maps.
The seminal 1919 NAACP study undertaken to promote awareness of the scope of lynching in the U.S., with a new introduction by the noted slavery historian, Paul Finkelman. The data in this study offer the gruesome facts by number, year, state, color, sex, offense (in total 3,224 of which 2,522 were negroes and 702 were white), and include a chronological list by state giving the victim’s name, place, and offense for the years 1889-1918. Paul Finkelman’s introduction puts these horrific figures into perspective. For instance, he points out that “Many blacks were lynched because they had allegedly committed murders. ... But other blacks were lynched for no apparent reason, or for some minor transgression of social and racial rules... This last cause-racial prejudice—was indeed at the root of almost all lynchings of African-Americans.”

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Slave Law and Civil Law in Louisiana

Vernon Valentine Palmer

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John D. Gordan, III

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