

The Common Lawyer

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Andy Prescott is the most laid-back young lawyer in Austin, Texas. Specialising in traffic law, he operates from a small room above a ramshackle tattoo parlour. He rides a trail bike and spends way too much time drinking beer in the sunshine. Ambition has never been Andy's strong point - he prefers to take it easy. That is, until one of Texas's wealthiest men walks into his office. On the spot, billionaire Russell Reeves retains Andy as his lawyer and, in exchange for some easy legal work, pays him more money than he has ever earned before. Andy's life is transformed. But nothing comes for free. Russell is a desperate man whose sole aim is to save his eight-year-old son, Zach, who is dying from leukemia. He is prepared to do anything - even if it means putting Andy's life in danger...

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A Common Lawyer Looks at the Civil Law

The English common lawyers wielded their greatest influence in the late fifteenth and early sixteenth centuries, with names like Fortescue, Littleton and More. In these years they were more than the only organized lay profession: in the infancy of statute, they, more than anyone, shaped and changed the law; they were the managerial elite of the country; they were the single most dynamic group in society.

This book is a study of their formative impact on the whole of English life. Part I examines the legal profession, its position, recruitment, training and career structure, taking as an example the career of Thomas Kebell, a serjeant at-law from Leicestershire, for whom documentation is unusually complete. Part II analyses legal practice: how the lawyer acquired and kept clients, his relationship with them, the pattern of employment, the nature of practice as revealed in the year books, and the attitudes and approaches of the lawyer to the law. The third part considers the impact of the lawyers on substantive law and legal organization.

The Common Lawyers of Pre-Reformation England

Essays describing the legal profession in the common law world.

Lawyers in Society

Michael Taggart was the Alexander Turner Professor of Law in the University of Auckland, New Zealand until his retirement in 2008. He has worked extensively on public law, in particular administrative law, privatisation and the public/private law divide as well as on legal history. He has visited and taught at the Universities of Melbourne, New South Wales, Toronto, Cambridge, Paris II, Victoria at Wellington, Saskatchewan, Western Ontario, Queen's University at Kingston and Osgoode Hall Law School. This book of essays, dedicated to him by a group of his friends including academic colleagues, practitioners and judges, marks his enormous contribution to the common law.

Intruder Into Eden

It adopts an approach which explains the historical development of the common law institutions and procedures whilst also setting them in perspective through a comparative outlook. Aspects of the common law are contrasted on occasions with structural o

A Simple Common Lawyer

This collection discusses the contributions of great common-law jurists and singular documents - namely the Magna Carta and the Laws and Liberties of Massachusetts - that have shaped common law, from its origins in twelfth-century England to its arrival in the American colonies. Featured jurists include such widely recognized figures as Glanvill, Francis Bacon, Sir Edward Coke, and John Selden, as well as less-known but influential writers like Richard Hooker, Michael Dalton, William Hudson, and Sir Matthew Hale.

The Legal Profession and the Common Law

Priests of the Law tells the story of the first people in the history of the common law to think of themselves as legal professionals. In the middle decades of the thirteenth century, a group of justices working in the English royal courts spent a great deal of time thinking and writing about what it meant to be a person who worked in the law courts. This book examines the justices who wrote the treatise known as Bracton. Written and re-written between the 1220s and the 1260s, Bracton is considered one of the great treatises of the early common law and is still occasionally cited by judges and lawyers when they want to make the case that a particular rule goes back to the beginning of the common law. This book looks to Bracton less for what it can tell us about the law of the thirteenth century, however, than for what it can tell us about the judges who wrote it. The judges who wrote Bracton - Martin of Pattishall, William of Raleigh, and Henry of Bratton - were some of the first people to work full-time in England's royal courts, at a time when there was no recourse to an obvious model for the legal professional. They found one in an unexpected place: they sought to clothe themselves in the authority and prestige of the scholarly Roman-law tradition that was sweeping across Europe in the thirteenth century, modelling themselves on the jurists of Roman law who were teaching in European universities. In Bracton and other texts they produced, the justices of the royal courts worked hard to ensure that the nascent common-law tradition grew from Roman Law. Through their writing, this small group of people, working in the courts of an island realm, imagined themselves to be part of a broader European legal culture. They made the case that they were not merely servants of the king: they were priests of the law.

Five Jewish Lawyers of the Common Law

Scholars of comparative law and English legal history have traditionally distinguished the civil law's emphasis on legislation as the primary source of legal authority from the common law's emphasis on custom and on case law. In *The Common Law Mind*, lawyer and political scientist James Tubbs finds little evidence to support this and other traditional understandings of English jurisprudence. Examining thousands of legal and judicial documents for references to the nature and authority of custom, case law, statutes, equity, and reason, Tubbs depicts the tensions within and the evolution of English legal thought between the twelfth and seventeenth centuries. Most lawyers, he concludes, never thought of all English law as customary in nature and never understood the common law to be a fundamental law, superior to statute. Instead, statute law was much more central to English jurisprudence than has usually been believed, and it was always understood to be superior in authority to the common law. *The Common Law Mind* revises a whole tradition of thinking about the nature and development of common law and its role in statutory interpretation.

A Short Introduction to the Common Law

A practical guide to the workings of the common law courts and the day-to-day practice of lawyers in 19th century Britain. Written by a practicing barrister with extensive experience in the field. This work has been selected by scholars as being culturally important, and is part of the knowledge base of civilization as we know it. This work is in the "public domain in the United States of America, and possibly other nations. Within the United States, you may freely copy and distribute this work, as no entity (individual or corporate) has a copyright on the body of the work. Scholars believe, and we concur, that this work is important enough to be preserved, reproduced, and made generally available to the public. We appreciate your support of the preservation process, and thank you for being an important part of keeping this knowledge alive and relevant.

"A" Common Lawyer Looks at the Civil Law

Contains short biographies of primarily British legal luminaries. Only non-living persons who made an important contribution to common law prior to 1939 are included.

Shaping the Common Law

Jerry Pearlman has always claimed to be a solicitor with a difference! Although based in the provinces, his work has included many cases and engagements of national and international importance. Jerry has acted for tribal kings and governments and, as an environmentalist, he has searched the depths of English history to bring some cases to courts and tribunals. He even took one major footpath case to the House of Lords - successfully! This makes him one of the most qualified practitioners to have a long and detailed look at the Solicitor's branch of the legal profession and he finds a profession on the verge of extinction! But whilst describing this terminal situation, he manages to interest and amuse, by including stories of some of his cases and activities with, at times, some hilarious consequences. He also manages to explain some fascinating aspects of the law and its history in an informative manner. Jerry will make you laugh and learn all the way through till the last page.

Priests of the Law

A. Scott Fenney is a hotshot corporate lawyer at a big Dallas firm. At 33, in the prime of his life, he rakes in \$750,000 a year, drives a Ferrari and comes home every night to a mansion in Dallas's most exclusive neighbourhood. He also comes home to one of Dallas's most beautiful women, with whom he has a much-loved daughter, Boo. For Fenney, life could not be better. But when a senator's son is killed in a hit-and-run, Fenney is asked by the state judge to put his air-conditioned lifestyle on hold to defend the accused: a black, heroin-addicted prostitute - a very different client to the people Fenney usually represents. And, more importantly, she is not going to be paying Ford Stevens \$350 an hour for the privilege of his services. Under fire from all sides, Fenney drafts in a public defender to take the case on. Yet as Scott prepares to hand over to Bobby, he feels increasingly guilty about the path he is taking, because Scott still believes in the principle of justice. The question is: does he believe in it strongly enough to jeopardise everything in his life he holds dear? And to what lengths is the dead man's power-hungry father prepared to go to test Fenney's resolve?

A common lawyer looks at the civil law

'Scott, it's Rebecca. I need you.' After years of silence, Texan lawyer Scott Fenney receives a devastating phonecall from his ex-wife. She has been accused of murdering her boyfriend, Trey - the man she left Scott for - and is being held in a police cell. Now she is begging Scott to defend her. Scott is used to high-stakes cases, but this one is bigger than anything he has handled before. If Rebecca is found guilty, she will be sentenced to life imprisonment. Her future is in his hands. As he prepares to take the stand in the most dramatic courtroom appearance of his life, Scott is forced to question everything he believes to get to the truth - to save the life of the ex-wife he still loves....

The Common Law Mind

Today's world operates as a global economy and the decisions of one jurisdiction affect many others. It is also increasingly common that lawyers choose to move around the globe and want their passage from jurisdiction to jurisdiction to be as smooth as possible. This book was written with them in mind, to provide essential information for the modern lawyer who may temporarily or permanently be moving from practice in his or her home jurisdiction to practice elsewhere. The guide aims to inform lawyers of the key aspects of re-qualification, and directs them where to find the actual rules and information they need to make the move to practice overseas. It contains a clear statement of the rules and laws of admittance in all common law jurisdictions around the world, and thus represents a valuable and essential resource for legal practitioners who wish to enhance their professional experience and expertise by working in different Common Law jurisdictions. Its format and the information contained within enable the reader, despite the often complex local requirements, to find at a glance whether they are or can be met by a particular individual, and those who need to be contacted in the event of any doubt.

A Common Lawyer Looks at the Civil Law

"The Common Law" is a classic work from the great Supreme Court Justice, Oliver Wendell Holmes. In *The Common Law*, Holmes examines many aspects of the common law giving great attention to the historical perspective and precedence and its influence on modern common law. In this work you will find lengthy discussions on several areas of law including: liability, criminal law, torts, contracts, and successions. Extensively annotated, this edition of "The Common Law" will make great reading for any lawyer or student of the law.

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Schwartz provides a masterly exposition of administrative law through a comparative study of the French *droit administratif*, arguably the most sophisticated Continental model. As Vanderbilt points out in his introduction, this is an important field that involves much more than administrative procedure. It deals directly with some of the most crucial issues of modern government regarding the distribution of power between governmental units, the resulting effect on the freedom of the individual and on the strength and stability of the state. Reprint of the sole edition. "[T]his book represents a significant achievement.... Unlike so many volumes that roll off the press these days, it fills a real need; and, though perhaps not the definitive work in English on the subject, it fills it extremely well." --Frederic S. Burin, *Columbia Law Review* 54 (1954) 1016 Bernard Schwartz [1923-1997] was professor of law and director of the Institute of Comparative Law, New York University. He was the author of over fifty books, including *The Code Napoleon and the Common-Law World* (1956), the five-volume *Commentary on the Constitution of the United States* (1963-68), *Constitutional Law: A Textbook* (2d ed., 1979), *Administrative Law: A Casebook* (4th ed., 1994) and *A History of the Supreme Court* (1993).

The Practice Of The Common Law Courts, And Practical Lawyer's Pocket Book

Criminal defence lawyers must make their peace with one harsh fact of life: most of their clients are guilty. Yet when William Tucker, a celebrated and self-centered star college football player, is suddenly arrested and charged with the brutal rape and murder of a college coed two years before, his broken-down, drunken estranged father Frank can't believe he's guilty. What father could? But Frank is also an ex-criminal defence lawyer. Now Frank must find a way to sober up and save his son from the death penalty sought by an ambitious district attorney. Can a father's love for his accused son save him from death?

The Common Lawyers of Pre-reformation England

Through an examination of five plays by Shakespeare, Paul Raffield analyses the contiguous development of common law and poetic drama during the first decade of Jacobean rule. The broad premise of *The Art of Law in Shakespeare* is that the 'artificial reason' of law was a complex art form that shared the same rhetorical strategy as the plays of Shakespeare. Common law and Shakespearean drama of this period employed various aesthetic devices to capture the imagination and the emotional attachment of their respective audiences. Common law of the Jacobean era, as spoken in the law courts, learnt at the Inns of Court and recorded in the law reports, used imagery that would have been familiar to audiences of Shakespeare's plays. In its juridical form, English law was intrinsically dramatic, its adversarial mode of expression being founded on an agonistic model. Conversely, Shakespeare borrowed from the common law some of its most critical themes: justice, legitimacy, sovereignty, community, fairness, and (above all else) humanity. Each chapter investigates a particular aspect of the common law, seen through the lens of a specific play by Shakespeare. Topics include the unprecedented significance of rhetorical skills to the practice and learning of common law (*Love's Labour's Lost*); the early modern treason trial as exemplar of the theatre of law (*Macbeth*); the art of law as the legitimate distillation of the law of nature (*The Winter's Tale*); the efforts of common lawyers to create an image of nationhood from both classical and Judeo-Christian mythography (*Cymbeline*); and the theatrical device of the island as microcosm of the Jacobean state and the project of imperial expansion (*The Tempest*).

Biographical Dictionary of the Common Law

Lord Denning, an influential but controversial English judge, stated that 'Words are the lawyer's tools of trade'. This course book reflects that conviction as it focuses on words, the language of the law - legal terms, expressions, and grammar - introduced systematically with relevant aspects of the law, and examined in context through analytical reading activities based on original legal texts selected for their interest and importance in different branches of the common law system. This book explores constitutional law, criminal law, tort, and contract; yet includes international legal contexts, with a particular focus on human rights and European law. The presentation of legal concepts and terminology in context in each chapter is graded so that the course progresses, building on the vocabulary and law encountered in earlier chapters. Each chapter, organized thematically, includes a series of activities - tasks - to complete, yet the book does not presuppose previous knowledge of legal English or of the common law: full answer keys and reflective commentary on both legal and linguistic aspects are given and sections marked 'Advanced' offer especially challenging materials. Consolidation sections are designed to test students' global comprehension of the legal texts analysed, including precise usage of legal vocabulary in context, with solutions. Common Law Legal English and Grammar is addressed to the non-native speaker of English, and in particular, intermediate to advanced students who are studying law, or academics with a professional interest in Anglo-American law. Practising lawyers will also find that the book offers valuable analysis of the language of legal documents. Please note, this book is not available for purchase in Italy.

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Holdsworth proves that historians should study the novels of Charles Dickens as source material about the workings of English law and legal institutions. He shows how *Bleak House* highlights the procedures of the Court of Chancery, and *Pickwick Papers* illuminates the procedure of the common law. The addresses contained in this book were delivered in the William L. Storrs Lecture Series, 1927, before the Law School of Yale University. "The distinguished English historian, Professor Holdsworth, has contrived even during his moments of recreation to render us his debtors. No two books outside the bounds of technical law are more worth reading for law students than *Pickwick Papers* and *Bleak House*. Even a trained trial lawyer however, is puzzled by some of the legal points brought up by Dickens, because they have fortunately passed forever out of the realm of living law. Professor Holdsworth has performed a valuable service to lawyers and laymen alike in explaining these obscurities. And he has done much more than this. He has increased our admiration for the genius of Dickens by proving his great merit as a legal historian." Zechariah Chafee, Jr. *Harvard Law Review* 42:286-8. CONTENTS: I. The Courts and the Dwellings of the Lawyers II. The Lawyers, Lawyers' Clerks, and Other Satellites of the Law III. *Bleak House* and the Procedure of the Court of Chancery IV. *Pickwick* and the Procedure of the Common Law INDEX AUTHOR BIO: Distinguished Vinerian Professor of English Law at Oxford University, Sir William Searle Holdsworth (1871-1944) is widely known for his seminal 17-volume *History of English Law* as well as others including *The Historians of Anglo-American Law*, *An Historical Introduction to the Land Law*, and *The Law of Succession*.

The practice of the common law courts, and practical lawyer's pocket book

Written primarily for lawyers and law students in the Common law world, this book assumes no prior knowledge of French law. Beginning with an introductory account of the characteristics of French law and the French legal system, it looks at the principles of the French law of contract from the standpoint of a Common lawyer familiar with the problems with which the law of contract has to deal in a modern Western society. Its arrangement follows that of the French law, but the French concepts and rules are set out in relation to their counterparts in the Common law. Consideration is given to recent developments in matters such as the obligation to disclose information, third party rights in 'groups of contracts', unfair contract terms, and the seller's liability for latent defects.

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In a series of fifteen vivid essays, this book discusses the contributions of great common-law jurists and singular documents--namely the Magna Carta and the Laws and Liberties of Massachusetts--that have shaped common law, from its origins in twelfth-century England to its arrival in the American colonies. Featured jurists include such widely recognized figures as Glanvill, Francis Bacon, Sir Edward Coke, and John Selden, as well as less known but influential writers like Richard Hooker, Michael Dalton, William Hudson, and Sir Matthew Hale. Across the essays, the jurists' personalities are given voice, the context of time and events made clear, and the continuing impact of the texts emphasized. Taken as a whole, the book offers a simple reverence for the achievements of these men and law books and a deep respect for the role historical events have played in the development of the common law.

Tales from the Oldest Profession

Offers a distinctive account of the rule of law and legislative sovereignty within the work of Albert Venn Dicey.

The Death of the Common Attorney

The Colour Of Law