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Constitutional Law: Cases Comments And Questions (American Casebook Series)





Synopsis

This long-popular constitutional law casebook has added two new co-authors for its newest (12th) new edition, Michael Dorf and Frederick Schauer, who have brought deep background and rich insight in helping to bring the book thoroughly up to date. In preparing the new edition, the authors have retained the basic format of prior editions, but have added new cases and re-edited old ones to ensure coverage of important topics in manageable numbers of pages. The Notes and Questions, which have long been a hallmark of the book, continue to present a wide range of perspectives for students to consider, rather than reflecting a single point of view that users of the book must either adopt or teach against. Professors will especially like the illuminating and provocative extracts from the literature that accompany important new cases involving the Affordable Care Act, same-sex marriage, affirmative action, and campaign finance and freedom of speech.

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The facts of the cases are edited to the point that you can't even understand the background. Many crucial details, including the exact details of the challenged statute in question, are missing because the facts are so condensed. The font is terrible. Hard to read. The authors make so many edits to the Supreme Court opinions that you get lost at whose words you're actually reading. There are so many unnecessary footnotes inserted into the cases, footnotes like "for a review, see X" or "see also X." These do nothing but detract from the opinion.

This book abridges cases to the point where there are little to no facts, so you are basically supposed to do extra research if you want to understand the holding. Furthermore, the authors who compiled this book cite to their own law review articles constantly throughout the book. I had the Chemerinsky book for the first section of my con law class and it was far superior. I didn't know, until I had to use this book, how terrible a casebook could be. If you can avoid using this book, I highly suggest it.

This casebook really tries, but there are several flaws that make it awful:1) It is HUGE. I wish it had been put into two volumes, because carrying it around is unpleasant.2) The margins are tiny. I like to take notes in the margins, and it is virtually impossible with this book.3) The cases are poorly edited - the authors must really want to be on the Supreme Court because they end up rewriting a significant portion of each case.

Thank you.

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If you've been required to get this supplement, I'd skip it. Its issued since they didnt want to update the casebook with recent cases le from 2013 and 2014. My prof assigned one case in the supplement, the obamacare one, that I wish I'd just googled and read and spent the money that I did on this on a burger or somethin.

Arrived in god time and as advertised. Thanks.

Bought this book for my Constitutional Law class. It worked well for what I needed it for.

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