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This comprehensive Understanding treatise offers a coherent and complete overview of the complex constitutional principles and doctrines governing the federal judicial system. In a single volume, it provides a rich discussion of Article III of the United States Constitution, which governs the federal judiciary, and explains the role of Congress in regulating the federal courts' jurisdiction. After explaining the constitutional and statutory bases for federal jurisdiction, the treatise discusses the intricate case law on the statutory procedures relevant to litigating actions in federal courts. The treatise concludes with an exploration of the important federalism problems inherent in our dual system of courts, and the interrelationship of federal and state courts. Focusing on the relevant statutes and Supreme Court and appellate doctrine, Understanding Federal Courts and Jurisdiction covers all aspects of federal jurisdiction: justiciability, including standing, mootness, ripeness, and political questions; and the major types of federal jurisdiction, federal question and diversity, as well as the supplemental jurisdiction statute. The procedural portion of the treatise covers removal, venue, transfer of venue, personal jurisdiction in the federal courts, and multidistrict litigation. The federalism discussion includes a coherent review of the abstention doctrines, the Anti-Injunction Act, the Eleventh Amendment, the Erie doctrine, and intersystem preclusion. Understanding Federal Courts and Jurisdiction is ideal for students in the basic procedure course as well as upper division federal jurisdiction and practice courses. It also provides new and experienced federal practitioners with the basic principles and solid basis for further research. The eBook versions of this title feature links to Lexis Advance for further legal research options.

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This 2008 Supplement updates the main text with recent developments. Topics discussed include the development and structure of the federal judicial system; cases and controversies; the original jurisdiction of the Supreme Court; the distribution of judicial power among federal and state courts; review of state court decisions by the Supreme Court; civil actions in the district courts; federal common law; jurisdiction of the district courts; suits challenging official action; limitations on district court jurisdiction; federal habeas corpus; problems of district court jurisdiction; and appellate review of federal decisions.

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This book explores how the lower federal court appointment process became vastly politicized in the modern era. Scherer develops a theory of "elite mobilization," positing that lower court appointments have always been used by politicians for electoral purposes, but because of two historic changes to American institutions in the 1950s and 1960s—the breakdown of the old party system, and a federal judiciary reception to expanding individuals' constitutional rights—politicians shifted from an appointment system dominated by patronage to a system dominated by new policy-oriented appointment strategies. The use of these new strategies not only resulted in partisan warfare during the nomination and confirmation stages of the appointment process, but also led to party-polarized voting in the lower federal courts. Employing exclusive data of judicial decision-making from the New Deal era through the present, Scherer demonstrates that there was little party-polarized voting in the lower federal courts until the late 1960s, and that once politicians began to use elite mobilization strategies, significant party-polarized voting in the lower federal courts resulted. Accordingly, elite mobilization strategies have affected not only politics in Washington, but also the way justice is distributed across the country.

Improvement of the Jury System in Federal Court

Structural Reform of the Federal Courts

Federal Courts Budget Protection Act

In this book Judge Posner focuses on the problems of the pro se, the people, often prisoners, who bring lawsuits without a lawyer and the staff attorneys who review these lawsuits and make recommendations to the judges on how to decide the cases. He has done extensive research into the procedures of all thirteen circuits and compares their performance. This is the most extensive comparative review of the staff attorney programs in the circuit courts that has ever been done. Judge Posner has many suggestions for improving the way these cases are handled. In

addition, he discusses the need for televising the circuit court hearings. He is a believer in government transparency, and feels the public should have easy access to the workings of the courts. Finally, he reviews the duties of the circuit chief judge and recommends clarification of the position.

The Politics of Judicial Interpretation

For two centuries, federal judges exercised wide discretion in criminal sentencing. In 1987 a complex bureaucratic apparatus termed Sentencing "Guidelines" was imposed on federal courts. FEAR OF JUDGING is the first full-scale history, analysis, and critique of the new sentencing regime, arguing that it sacrifices comprehensibility and common sense.

The State and Federal Courts: A Complete Guide to History, Powers, and Controversy

Casebook for law students taking the course Federal Courts.

The Law and the Lawyers

The Australian Government has proposed creating a new Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (FCFCA) through the amalgamation of the Family Court of Australia (Family Court) and the Federal Circuit Court of Australia (FCC), to be established on 1 January 2019. This document outlines the need for reform and how the reforms would work in practice. A second fact sheet has also been produced, presenting recent statistics on growing case loads and delays in the time taken for cases to be heard. The current court structure and overlapping family law jurisdiction between the Family Court and FCC leads to significant inefficiencies, confusion, delays, additional costs, and unequal experiences for many families, as well as poor outcomes for some children and families. The establishment of a single new court will create a consistent pathway for Australian families in having their family law disputes dealt with in the first instance. Note, the two fact sheets of this series have also been published together in another document.

Courts in Federal Countries

This book contains excerpts from over 300 opinions of the U.S. Federal Courts. Each of these cases includes the word "zombie" or a variation of that word. ("zombies", "zombi", "zombiatic", "zombism", "zombielike", "zombified"). The cases are arranged by topic and are all real legal opinions from real cases. This collection is intended as legal humor and to motivate readers to read law. For advanced English language readers interested in U.S. legal writings and/or zombies. NOTE: This book is not intended for children. Includes obscene words with references to sex, drugs and violence.

Mississippi's Federal Courts

Courts in Federal Countries examines the role high courts play in thirteen

countries, including Australia, Brazil, Canada, Germany, India, Nigeria, Spain, and the United States.

The Federal Courts and the Federal System

Reclaiming the Federal Courts

Hart and Wechsler's the Federal Courts and the Federal System Supplement

For law and courts courses focused on the federal level, this popular spin-off volume from *Judicial Process in America*, is the perfect supplement. The authors explain the organizational structure of the federal courts, outline the jurisdiction of the three levels of U.S. courts, and pay particular attention to the link between the courts, public policy, and the political environment.

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Our American Government textbook adheres to the scope and sequence of introductory American government courses nationwide. We have endeavored to make the workings of American Government interesting and accessible to students while maintaining the conceptual coverage and rigor inherent in the subject at the college level. With this objective in mind, the content of this textbook has been developed and arranged to provide a logical progression from the fundamental principles of institutional design at the founding, to avenues of political participation, to thorough coverage of the political structures that constitute American government. The book builds upon what students have already learned and emphasizes connections between topics as well as between theory and applications. The goal of each section is to enable students not just to recognize concepts, but to work with them in ways that will be useful in later courses, future careers, and as engaged citizens. The organization and pedagogical features were developed and vetted with feedback from American government instructors dedicated to the project.

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The convergence of tough-on-crime politics, stiffer sentencing laws, and jurisdictional expansion in the 1970s and 1980s increased the powers of federal prosecutors in unprecedented ways. In *Hard Bargains*, social psychologist Mona Lynch investigates the increased power of these prosecutors in our age of mass incarceration. Lynch documents how prosecutors use punitive federal drug laws to coerce guilty pleas and obtain long prison sentences for defendants—particularly those who are African American—and exposes deep injustices in the federal courts. As a result of the War on Drugs, the number of drug cases prosecuted each year in federal courts has increased fivefold since 1980. Lynch goes behind the scenes in three federal court districts and finds that federal prosecutors have considerable discretion in adjudicating these cases. Federal drug laws are wielded

differently in each district, but with such force to overwhelm defendants' ability to assert their rights. For drug defendants with prior convictions, the stakes are even higher since prosecutors can file charges that incur lengthy prison sentences—including life in prison without parole. Through extensive field research, Lynch finds that prosecutors frequently use the threat of extremely severe sentences to compel defendants to plead guilty rather than go to trial and risk much harsher punishment. Lynch also shows that the highly discretionary ways in which federal prosecutors work with law enforcement have led to significant racial disparities in federal courts. For instance, most federal charges for crack cocaine offenses are brought against African Americans even though whites are more likely to use crack. In addition, Latinos are increasingly entering the federal system as a result of aggressive immigration crackdowns that also target illicit drugs. *Hard Bargains* provides an incisive and revealing look at how legal reforms over the last five decades have shifted excessive authority to federal prosecutors, resulting in the erosion of defendants' rights and extreme sentences for those convicted. Lynch proposes a broad overhaul of the federal criminal justice system to restore the balance of power and retreat from the punitive indulgences of the War on Drugs.

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Drawing on economic and political theory, legal analysis, and his own extensive judicial experience, Posner sketches the history of the federal courts, describes the contemporary institution, appraises concerns that have been expressed with their performance, and presents a variety of proposals for both short-term and fundamental reform.

Shorthand Reporters for Federal Courts and Other Bills

No sitting federal judge has ever written so trenchant a critique of the federal judiciary as Richard A. Posner does in this, his most confrontational book. He exposes the failures of the institution designed by the founders to check congressional and presidential power and resist its abuse, and offers practical prescriptions for reform.

Examples & Explanations for Federal Courts

How does the American judiciary impact the development of legal and social policies in the United States? How are the state and federal court systems constructed? This book answers these questions and many others regarding politics, the U.S. courts, and society.

- Presents a broad and detailed perspective on law and politics that enables students and laypeople to analyze the judicial process and the role that state and federal courts play in American society
- Comprehensively surveys the myriad contemporary issues of law and politics that affect the scope and application of social and public policies
- Supplies selected primary source documents that give readers the opportunity to view key judicial documents firsthand
- Includes a glossary of terms and annotated bibliography that facilitate a complete comprehension of the organization, structure, and politics of state and federal courts

Fear of Judging

There are moments in American history when all eyes are focused on a federal court: when its bench speaks for millions of Americans, and when its decision changes the course of history. More often, the story of the federal judiciary is simply a tale of hard work: of finding order in the chaotic system of state and federal law, local custom, and contentious lawyering. The Federal Courts is a story of all of these courts and the judges and justices who served on them, of the case law they made, and of the acts of Congress and the administrative organs that shaped the courts. But, even more importantly, this is a story of the courts' development and their vital part in America's history. Peter Charles Hoffer, William James Hull Hoffer, and N. E. H. Hull's retelling of that history is framed the three key features that shape the federal courts' narrative: the separation of powers; the federal system, in which both the national and state governments are sovereign; and the widest circle: the democratic-republican framework of American self-government. The federal judiciary is not elective and its principal judges serve during good behavior rather than at the pleasure of Congress, the President, or the electorate. But the independence that lifetime tenure theoretically confers did not and does not isolate the judiciary from political currents, partisan quarrels, and public opinion. Many vital political issues came to the federal courts, and the courts' decisions in turn shaped American politics. The federal courts, while the least democratic branch in theory, have proved in some ways and at various times to be the most democratic: open to ordinary people seeking redress, for example. Litigation in the federal courts reflects the changing aspirations and values of America's many peoples. The Federal Courts is an essential account of the branch that provides what Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court Judge Oliver Wendell Holmes Jr. called "a magic mirror, wherein we see reflected our own lives."

The Supreme Court and the Judicial Branch

Traditional separation of powers theories assumed that governmental despotism will be prevented by dividing the branches of government which will check one another. Modern governments function with unexpected complicity among these branches. Sometimes one of the branches becomes overwhelming. Other governmental structures, however, tend to mitigate these tendencies to domination. Among other structures courts have achieved considerable autonomy vis-à-vis the traditional political branches of power. They tend to maintain considerable distance from political parties in the name of professionalism and expertise. The conditions and criteria of independence are not clear, and even less clear are the conditions of institutional integrity. Independence (including depolitization) of public institutions is of particular practical relevance in the post-Communist countries where political partisanship penetrated institutions under the single party system. Institutional integrity, particularly in the context of administration of justice, became a precondition for accession to the European Union. Given this practical challenge the present volume is centered around three key areas of institutional integrity, primarily within the administration of justice: first, in a broader theoretical-interdisciplinary context the criteria of institutional independence are discussed. The second major issue is the relation of neutralized institutions to branches of government with reference to accountability. Thirdly, comparative experience regarding judicial independence is discussed to determine

techniques to enhance integrity.

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Procedure in Federal Courts

Hard Bargains

Committee Serial No. 3.

Reforming the Federal Judiciary

This resource produces the first comprehensive history of the state's federal courts from the inception of the Mississippi Territory to the late twentieth century. Using archival material and legal documents, David M. Hargrove untangles the state's complex legal history, which includes slavery and secession, the Civil War and Reconstruction, Jim Crow and civil rights. In this important overview of the United States courts in Mississippi, Hargrove surveys the state's federal judiciary as it rules on key issues in Mississippi's past. He examines the court as it mediates conflict between regional and national agendas as well as protects constitutional rights of the state's African American citizens during the Reconstruction and civil rights eras. Hargrove traces how political activities of the state's federal judges affected public perceptions of an independent judiciary. Growing demands for federal judicial and law enforcement infrastructure, he notes, called for courthouses that remain iconic presences in the state's largest cities. Hargrove presents detailed judicial biographies of judges who shaped Mississippi's federal bench. Commissioned by the state's federal judiciary to write the book, he offers balanced perspectives on jurists whose reputations have suffered in hindsight, while illuminating the achievements of those who have received little public recognition.

The Judicial Code and Rules of Procedure in the Federal Courts

Are Judges Political?

An approachable and practical study guide to what is considered a challenging and abstract subject, Examples & Explanations: Federal Courts provides students with a brief, textual introduction to doctrines, as well as examples and analytical answers. with a sensible, flexible organization, it adapts well to a variety of teaching approaches and learning styles. This reliable guide offers ample features and benefits: Cutting-edge coverage unveils many important recent developments absent in competing books, such as: Hamdan v. Rumsfeld (non-Article III courts -- 2006) Marshall v. Marshall (diversity of citizenship -- 2006) The Class Action Fairness Act (diversity of citizenship -- 2005) Terri Schiavo litigation (congressional control of federal court jurisdiction -- 2005) Grable & Sons v. Darue Engineering (federal question jurisdiction -- 2005) Empire Healthchoice Assurance, Inc. v.

McVeigh (2006) Exxon Mobil v. Allapattah (supplemental jurisdiction -- 2005) Lance v. Dennis (Rooker-Feldman doctrine 2006) Exxon Mobil v. Saudi Basic Industries (Rooker-Feldman doctrine -- 2005) Habeas Corpus cases (2005-2006) Nuances and unsettled issues in the law are openly addressed. the guide resists black letter simplification of legal concepts and capitalizes on this notion, without sacrificing clarity or meaningful analysis Complicated subjects are presented in an understandable manner. Widely respected federal courts scholar, Professor Laura E. Little, transforms her global knowledge of federal courts issues in a format that students can digest and master. An accessible and clear writing style provides lucid explanations of complex areas of the law and breaks down doctrines into component parts. Page layout is designed for easy retrieval and understanding A sensible and flexible organization caters to students with various learning styles. Topics are organized according to the various functions of federal courts, which gives the book thematic coherence while still allowing students to use the content according to their own needs Visual aids, including several graphs and illustrations that illustrate both "macro" and "micro" understandings of the material, are designed to convey intricacies of rules as well as larger relationships among doctrines and institutions Examples demonstrate complexities and ambiguities in the legal doctrine, while the explanations demonstrate practical skills for coping with uncertainty in the law, anticipating and outlining arguments on both sides of a controversy. Combined, these model good lawyering and exam-taking techniques

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When we think of constitutional law, we invariably think of the United States Supreme Court and the federal court system. Yet much of our constitutional law is not made at the federal level. In *51 Imperfect Solutions*, U.S. Court of Appeals Judge Jeffrey S. Sutton argues that American Constitutional Law should account for the role of the state courts and state constitutions, together with the federal courts and the federal constitution, in protecting individual liberties. The book tells four stories that arise in four different areas of constitutional law: equal protection; criminal procedure; privacy; and free speech and free exercise of religion. Traditional accounts of these bedrock debates about the relationship of the individual to the state focus on decisions of the United States Supreme Court. But these explanations tell just part of the story. The book corrects this omission by looking at each issue-and some others as well-through the lens of many constitutions, not one constitution; of many courts, not one court; and of all American judges, not federal or state judges. Taken together, the stories reveal a remarkably complex, nuanced, ever-changing federalist system, one that ought to make lawyers and litigants pause before reflexively assuming that the United States Supreme Court alone has all of the answers to the most vexing constitutional questions. If there is a central conviction of the book, it's that an underappreciation of state constitutional law has hurt state and federal law and has undermined the appropriate balance between state and federal courts in protecting individual liberty. In trying to correct this imbalance, the book also offers several ideas for reform.

Understanding Federal Courts and Jurisdiction

An unprecedented plunge into New York City's federal court system that gives us a

revelatory picture of how our justice system, and the pursuit of justice, really works. A young Italian Mafioso helps get rid of a body in Queens. In Manhattan, a hedge fund portfolio manager misrepresents his company's assets to investors. At JFK International Airport, a college student returns from Jamaica with cocaine stuffed in the handle of her suitcase. These are just a few of the stories that come to life in this comprehensive look at the Southern District Court in Manhattan, and the Eastern District Court in Brooklyn--the two federal courts tasked with maintaining order in New York City. Johnny Dwyer takes us not just into the courtrooms but into the lives of those who enter through its doors: the judges and attorneys, prosecutors and defendants, winners and losers. He examines crimes we've read about in the papers or seen in movies and on television--organized crime, terrorism, drug trafficking, corruption, and white-collar crime--and weaves in the nuances that rarely make it into headlines. Brimming with detail and drama, *The Districts* illuminates the meaning of intent, of reasonable doubt, of deception, and--perhaps most important of all--of justice.

The View of the Courts from the Hill

Considers (69) S. 615, (69) S. 1042, (69) S. 1043, (69) S. 1044, (69) S. 3801.

Scoring Points

The View of the Courts from the Hill explores the current interactions and relationship between the U.S. Congress and federal courts using a "governance as dialogue" approach, which argues that constitutional interpretation in the United States is a continuous and complex conversation among all the institutions of government. Expanding on his previous work on this important theme, Mark C. Miller has interviewed numerous key players specifically for this book. His subjects include members of Congress, federal judges, congressional staff, employees of the judicial branch, lobbyists, and others with an interest in the courts. Their candid and thorough comments provide an invaluable resource for students and scholars eager to explore the dynamics between congressional and judicial forces as they have evolved over the past two decades. The book examines customary interactions between Congress and the federal courts—especially the U.S. Supreme Court—as well as extraordinary conflicts between the two branches of government both today and throughout American history. Miller gives special attention to recent attempts by social conservatives in Congress to silence the voice of the courts in the inter-institutional dialogue through the use of court-stripping measures, threats of impeachment of federal judges, and a proposal for an inspector general for the courts. Particular focus is placed on the interactions between the courts and the House Judiciary Committee under Republican control, as well as the approach taken by the Religious Right toward federal judges and the federal courts in general. The book concludes with a call for the protection of judicial independence in order to preserve the voice of the federal courts in the constitutional interpretation dialogue.

Zombie in the Federal Courts

This landmark work of Constitutional and legal history is the leading account of the

ways in which federal judges, attorneys, and other law officers defined a new era of civil and political rights in the South and implemented the revolutionary 13th, 14th, and 15th Amendments during Reconstruction. "Should be required reading . . . for all historians, jurists, lawyers, political scientists, and government officials who in one way or another are responsible for understanding and interpreting our civil rights past."--Harold M. Hyman, *Journal of Southern History* "Important, richly researched. . . . the fullest account now available."--*American Journal of Legal History*

Manual on Employment Discrimination Law and Civil Rights Actions in the Federal Courts

Go ahead and try to make a federal case of it. That may seem to be your right, but as Yackle reveals, the guardians of that right don't see it that way. A systematic study of the role the federal courts play in enforcing the Constitution, this book shows how the current Supreme Court has undermined that role by restricting citizens' access.

Judicial Integrity

Over the past two decades, the United States has seen an intense debate about the composition of the federal judiciary. Are judges "activists"? Should they stop "legislating from the bench"? Are they abusing their authority? Or are they protecting fundamental rights, in a way that is indispensable in a free society? Are Judges Political? cuts through the noise by looking at what judges actually do. Drawing on a unique data set consisting of thousands of judicial votes, Cass Sunstein and his colleagues analyze the influence of ideology on judicial voting, principally in the courts of appeal. They focus on two questions: Do judges appointed by Republican Presidents vote differently from Democratic appointees in ideologically contested cases? And do judges vote differently depending on the ideological leanings of the other judges hearing the same case? After examining votes on a broad range of issues--including abortion, affirmative action, and capital punishment--the authors do more than just confirm that Democratic and Republican appointees often vote in different ways. They inject precision into an all-too-often impressionistic debate by quantifying this effect and analyzing the conditions under which it holds. This approach sometimes generates surprising results: under certain conditions, for example, Democrat-appointed judges turn out to have more conservative voting patterns than Republican appointees. As a general rule, ideology should not and does not affect legal judgments. Frequently, the law is clear and judges simply implement it, whatever their political commitments. But what happens when the law is unclear? Are Judges Political? addresses this vital question.

The Black Book of Federal Courts

Readers learn about the Supreme Court of the United States, the history of the federal judiciary, and its organizations and responsibilities.

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A favorite among successful students, and often recommended by professors, the unique Examples & Explanations series gives you extremely clear introductions to concepts followed by realistic examples that mirror those presented in the classroom throughout the semester. Use at the beginning and midway through the semester to deepen your understanding through clear explanations, corresponding hypothetical fact patterns, and analysis. Then use to study for finals by reviewing the hypotheticals as well as the structure and reasoning behind the accompanying analysis. Designed to complement your casebook, the trusted Examples & Explanations titles get right to the point in a conversational, often humorous style that helps you learn the material each step of the way and prepare for the exam at the end of the course. The unique, time-tested Examples & Explanations series is invaluable to teach yourself the subject from the first day of class until your last review before the final. Each guide: helps you learn new material by working through chapters that explain each topic in simple language challenges your understanding with hypotheticals similar to those presented in class provides valuable opportunity to study for the final by reviewing the hypotheticals as well as the structure and reasoning behind the corresponding analysis quickly gets to the point in conversational style laced with humor remains a favorite among law school students is often recommended by professors who encourage the use of study guides works with ALL the major casebooks, suits any class on a given topic provides an alternative perspective to help you understand your casebook and in-class lectures

51 Imperfect Solutions

Federal Courts: Cases and Materials, Second Edition by Jonathan R. Siegel provides rich, sophisticated coverage with a clean, uncluttered presentation. Students learn from thoughtfully selected cases, carefully curated notes, and engaging discussion problems. Excellent case editing reduces cases to readable length while preserving their essential facts and arguments. Adopters have strongly praised the book and the teaching materials. New materials in the Second Edition include: Recent developments in standing doctrine A landmark new case about Bivens action New cases on adjudication by non-Article III tribunals Other updates throughout the book Professors and students will benefit from: Thoughtfully selected cases Notes that enhance understanding without being too dense Excellent case editing Engaging Discussion Problems

The Districts

This supplement brings the principal text current with recent developments in the law.

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