Civil Procedure In A Nutshell

This text is for students taking courses in complex litigation, advanced civil procedure, or mass torts. It is also designed as a concise book for members of the bench and bar who are handling multidistrict litigation cases. Its focus is on all aspects of federal multidistrict litigation (MDL), including statistics on MDL cases; comparisons with other aggregation devices (such as class actions); the decision of the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation (the Panel) to centralize cases (including the standards for centralization and the selection of the MDL district court and judge); appellate review of Panel decisions; tag-along cases; the role of the MDL transferee judge (including case management, designating lead lawyers and committees, deciding motions, conducting bellwether trials, overseeing settlements, and awarding attorneys' fees); choice-of-law issues in MDLs; personal jurisdiction and venue issues; remand of transferred cases; federal/state coordination (including state MDL statutes); and proposals for reform of MDL practice.

Designed for use as supplemental reading in an advanced criminal procedure course on the post-investigation processing of a criminal case. Includes a clear, concise, and thorough narrative explanation of the issues involved in the prosecution and adjudication of a criminal case, from the decision to prosecute and pre-trial release through to sentencing, appeal and collateral attack. Ideal reference for students and practitioners.

This title identifies and explores recurring problems caused by private cross-border disputes, while presenting the solutions that appear to be emerging, whether in the form of legislation, case law, treaty or Restatement enumeration. It covers personal and subject matter jurisdiction, parallel litigation, choice of forum, choice of law, extraterritorial discovery, extraterritorial provisional relief, recognition of foreign judgments, pleading, and proof of foreign law. International arbitration is also dealt with, with special emphasis on the role of courts in enforcing international
While traditional American legal education has focused primarily on the judicial branch of government, legislatures and regulatory agencies are responsible for the vast majority of today's law creation and law implementation, in fields from health insurance regulation, to motor vehicle operation, to environmental protection, to the mechanics of voting, to stimulating the economy, to the criminalization of internet piracy, to the distribution of tax burdens, to name only some. Because well-equipped attorneys need a comprehensive grounding in legislative and regulatory processes and the relationships among all three branches of government, many law schools now teach some version of a course in Legislation and Regulation in the first year. This Nutshell addresses all the major topics of these courses, including the central question of how courts and agencies should interpret ambiguous statutes. Part I describes the functioning of modern-day legislatures and administrative agencies, including not only their essential mechanics but also theories of democratic representation. Part II then builds on this foundation to develop the principal theories and doctrines of statutory and regulatory interpretation. It includes detailed discussions of the various "intrinsic" and "extrinsic" interpretive tools, as well as the competing interpretive approaches of Textualism and Purposivism. It also includes a chapter devoted to the Chevron doctrine and the question of how courts should review agency interpretations of statutes.
Written for upper-level law students who intend to practice law in California, this book emphasizes those aspects of California civil procedure that deviate from the federal system. California Civil Procedure aims to serve several functions. First, upon completion of a course using this casebook, students are prepared to more competently conduct civil litigation in the California courts upon graduation. Furthermore, this book represents the procedural advantages and disadvantages of litigating in California state courts as opposed to federal courts so new lawyers can make an informed choice between filing an action in one system or the other. This book also provides students with a brief summary of the federal or general position on each major topic as a basis of comparison and as a review of first-year civil procedure.

Haggard's Legal Drafting in a Nutshell provides guidelines for producing documents that serve the client's needs, solve existing problems, and prevent future problems. Authoritative coverage overviews the general drafting process and offers tips on getting started. Provides guidelines for drafting within the law and choosing the proper concept. Also identifies ambiguities, definitions, and drafting ethics.

Civil Procedure for All States is unique in scope. No other casebook or textbook has sought to take the procedural doctrines that arise in the stages of a civil action and address them for each state. Each chapter describes the majority approach to a procedural doctrine, the significant minority approach, and those states that are peculiar in their approach. By taking this comprehensive approach, the book has been able to identify the common decision-making steps that a lawyer must take in handling any case, in any state. Thus, the book has the student-as-associate thinking through the questions that a seasoned litigator would consider at each stage. The student then applies the law of that student's jurisdiction to the problems that arise at each stage of a case. After resolving questions that sharpen the student's ability to deal with a given procedural issue, each chapter incorporates numerous questions that force the student to wrestle with matters of professionalism and ethics. This book is designed to follow the new Context and Practice Series. Books in the series will feature elements that recent studies of legal pedagogy (Best Practices in Legal Education and the Carnegie Foundation's Educating Lawyers) recommend as essential to improving law school teaching. First, the books will emphasize heavily the practical application of the legal doctrines addressed in each book. Students will be placed in the roles of practitioners handling simulated cases. They will apply the legal doctrines that they learn in the book in exercises that require them to perform tasks that lawyers actually perform. As the studies mentioned above underscore, teaching in this manner will serve more than one purpose. It will not only better prepare students for practice. It will show students the significance of the material they are learning by demonstrating the reality that they will be using these doctrines. Second, the C & P Series will also accomplish another primary goal of the Best Practices and Educating Lawyers studies. That goal is to engage students in professional identity formation so that, when they begin practicing, they will have a better idea of the kind of lawyers they want to be.

The new edition adds dozens of recent decisions and key statutory changes. Virtually every principal case in the leading casebooks is cited or discussed, making this book an excellent aid for students in any water law course. The revised edition deals with changes in evolving areas like groundwater-surface water conflicts, public recreational uses,
instream flow protection, federal water development, takings claims, and water access and equity.

Moving beyond the outline format used by most students, this book uses a checklist format to lead students through the questions they need to ask and answer to fully analyze the legal questions they are trying to resolve. It assembles the different issues, presenting a clear guide to procedural analysis that students can draw upon when writing their exams. Other study aids provide sample problems, but this book offers a systematic approach to problem solving.

Contract Formation; Restitution (Unjust Enrichment); Statute of Frauds: Contract Interpretation; Contract Modification; Defenses; Remedies; Performance; Third-Party Beneficiaries; Assignment of Rights and Delegation of Duties: Events That Excuse Performance; Discharge.

This guide helps you gain an overview of and develop perspective on the area of criminal law. It is organized into eight sections for quick reference. Expert discussion explores punishment, specific crimes, and the ingredients of a crime such as mens rea and actus reus. Other topics covered include special defenses, the burden of proof, and inchoate and group criminality. It also reflects on the limitations of criminal law.

This compact, comprehensive title offers an expert overview of the history, constitutional authority, statutory provisions, regulations, structure, procedure, administrative process, and ethical principles of immigration law and practice.

"A succinct exposition of the law to which a student or lawyer can turn for reliable guidance." -- Back cover.

Global Internet Law in a Nutshell surveys the historical, technological, and cultural impacts of the Internet, applying multiple academic perspectives to the path of both U.S. and foreign cyberlaw. Subsequent chapters review the latest case law and statutory developments from the United States, European Union, China, and other countries governing the Internet. Internet-related issues for jurisdiction, contracts, consumer protection, torts, privacy, cybercrimes, content regulation, and each branch of intellectual property law are summarized. This Nutshell covers the major topics taught in Internet Law, Electronic Commerce Law, and Information Technology Law classes. Rapidly evolving topics such as the Internet of Things, Driverless Cars, Artificial Intelligence, the EU's General Data Protection Regulation, and Internet-related Intellectual Property Cases are highlighted.

This book presents a detailed and practical explanation of the law of Civil Procedure in Kenya. It discusses the principles of Civil procedure Law in a practical setting. The intricate points of law have been illustrated by examples, and in the introduction the subject has been dealt with by topics rather than in the strict order of sections in the Act
and Rules. This has been done to avoid cross-referencing to enable users to adequately grasp the doctrinal aspects of the subject.

California has one of the most complex procedural systems in the nation. This Nutshell provides an overview of the many significant differences that impact the choice between state and federal courts in California. The authors succinctly analyze California procedure and expose different solutions to the practice problems found in a state containing parallel systems of state and federal procedure.

The casebook addresses procedures unique to California practice that are not generally presented in the first-year course in civil procedure. The case selection reinforces the perspective of a practitioner choosing knowledgeably between state and federal court. Cases and notes address many state/federal differences in all areas of civil procedure, such as pleading, discovery, right to jury, alternative dispute resolution, res judicata, and appeals. For more information and additional teaching materials, visit the companion site.

This book is designed to facilitate the introduction of international, transnational, and comparative law issues into a first year civil procedure course. The book is very accessible for first year law students (and their professors). The chapters can be used in any combination and in any order. The book can be assigned or recommended as optional reading to supplement a domestic-only course to advance the students' understanding of their own system.

This Nutshell explains what remedies are and their history. Examines the basic rules for legal and equitable remedies, injunctions, damages, restitution, rescission, reformation, and specific performance. Explains how remedies are used for injuries to realty, personal property and money, personal interests, misrepresentation, mistake, duress, and breach of contract. Also addresses restitution for unenforceable contracts.

"This Nutshell provides a comprehensive explanation of the basic principles and rules of American tort law as it exists today. This Nutshell has been used for over twenty-five years by law students, law graduates preparing for the bar exam, and others seeking an overview of tort topics. Coverage includes intentional torts and defenses, negligence and its defenses, strict liability, special liability rules for particular activities (such as landowners' liability, products liability, employers, employees, and contractors, and others), damages, the relation between tort and contract, immunities, survival and wrongful death, defamation, privacy, and misrepresentation. The introductory chapter provides background on the definitional dilemma; functions, goals and justifications of tort law; the evolution of tort
law; and the roles of judges and juries. Citations to the Restatement of Torts are included. Discussions frequently include not only the rule but also its rationale for a clearer understanding and to aid memory.

Current Structure of Court Systems; Subject-Matter Jurisdiction; Venue; Personal Jurisdiction; Service of Process; Challenges to Plaintiff's Court Selection; Pleading; Party and Claim Joiner; Discovery; Pretrial Conferences; Summary Judgment; Default Judgment; Voluntary and Involuntary Dismissal; The Trial Process; Jury Trial; Directed Verdicts; Judgments Notwithstanding the Verdict; New Trial Motions; Partial and Conditional New Trials; Relief from Judgments; Securing and Enforcing Judgments; Binding Effect of Judgments; Time for Bringing an Appeal; Mechanics of Appeal; Class Actions; Interpleader; Multidistrict Litigation; Standing, Mootness, and Justiciability; Determining the Governing, Law in Federal Courts; Federal Law in State Courts.

Trusted by generations of students and litigators, this classic text is unrivalled in its detail and provides a thorough and highly practical overview of the key principles and procedures employed in the civil courts.

This title is a part of our CasebookPlus(tm) offering as ISBN 9781634595124. Learn more at CasebookPlus.com. Learning Civil Procedure provides a broad, student-centered, user-friendly approach to civil procedure that is both clear and sophisticated. It engages students through presentation of examples and analyses that build mastery of the material before moving on to more involved problems similar to those students will encounter on final examinations, bar examinations, and as lawyers. The book makes great use of problems to facilitate dialogue in class and correspondingly uses many fewer case excerpts than does the typical casebook. But it includes the core "canon" of civil procedure opinions as well as sufficient historical background necessary for producing culturally literate lawyers better equipped for actual real world litigation practice. For those teachers who want more cases, the accompanying website includes edited versions of all the traditional cases found in most civil procedure casebooks. The website also provides exam questions, multiple choice practice questions, and a Comprehensive Study Guide. For more information and additional teaching materials, visit the companion site.

This well-established treatise is premised on the assumption that the key to understanding the principles of civil procedure is to know why: why the principles were created and why they are invoked. The treatise is written to answer these questions as it lays out the basic principles of civil procedure. It also reflects the authors' belief that students of civil procedure can understand and appreciate complex principles when they are clearly presented; teaching civil procedure does not require dumbing it down. The authors use the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure as a model, but they also refer to different state rules and doctrines where appropriate in order to present a representative cross-section of state models. Although they discuss important civil procedure cases in the text, thus supporting the most widely used civil procedure casebooks using these same cases, they also provide useful references to secondary sources and illustrative cases for the reader who wants to explore further.