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Placed uniquely at the intersection of common law and civil law mixed legal systems attract the attention both of scholars of comparative law, and of those concerned with the development of a European private law. Pre-eminent among these are Scotland and South Africa - compared in this book.

In the present era of internationalisation of law, being able to analyse legal culture enables legal cooperation. However, legal culture is still more a theoretical concept than an analytical tool applied when approaching law. There are many kinds of legal cultures, concerning different groups of legal actors or covering different geographical areas, and they are at times overlapping. However, the national legal culture is still the one that has the largest influence on the everyday life of citizens and the day-to-day work of lawyers. In this book, the editors first theorize on and give practical guidance on how to identify, deconstruct and examine legal culture. Based on a common analytical framework, the editors and a large number of expert contributors explore central institutional and intellectual features of legal culture in 12 European countries next to USA, China and Australia allowing the reader to systematically compare legal cultures. This is the second and extended version of Comparing Legal Cultures, which is the first thorough and extensive book that analyses national legal cultures as an approach to comparative law.

A Study of Mixed Legal Systems: Endangered, Entrenched, or Blended takes the reader on a fascinating voyage of discovery. It includes case studies of a number of systems from across the globe: Cyprus, Guyana, Jersey, Mauritius, Philippines, Quebec, St Lucia, Scotland, and Seychelles. Each combines its legal legacies in novel ways. Large and small, in Europe and beyond, some are sovereign, some part of larger political units. Some are monolingual, some bilingual, some multilingual. Along with an analytical introduction and conclusion, the chapters explore the manner in which the elements of these mixed systems may be seen to be 'entrenched', 'endangered', or 'blended'. It explores how this process of legal change happens, questions whether some systems are at greater risk than others, and details the strategies that have been adopted to accelerate or counteract change. The studies involve consideration of the colourful histories of the jurisdictions, of their complex relationships to parent legal systems and traditions, and of language, legal education and legal actors. The volume also considers whether the experiences of these systems can tell us something about legal mixtures and movements generally. Indeed, the volume will be helpful both for scholars and students with a special interest in mixed legal systems as well as anyone interested in comparative law and legal history, in the diversity and dynamism of law.

Professor Walker's Legal History of Scotland is published in seven volumes. It is the only attempt yet made to write a chronological narrative account of the development of the Scottish legal system from early times on a substantial scale, with extensive reference to original sources. Attention is given at all stages to sources and legal literature, the influences of other legal systems, the courts and procedure, the lawyers, the roles of Parliament and the Privy Council, and to public, criminal and private law, both substantive and procedural. This seventh and final volume brings the reader up to the end of the twentieth century. This period has seen the most rapid changes in society and everyday life and the legal system has reflected this. Among the topics covered are the Scottish Parliament, the emergence of human rights and the influence of the EU. This book presents the results of a survey of public attitudes towards the civil justice system in Scotland.

Although its concern is jurisprudence, The Tapestry of the Law is intended to offer neither an original theory of or about law nor an account of other people's theories in textbook form. It is, rather, an attempt to approach the subject without following either of these conventions. The reasons are as follows. Those engaged in legal theory are prone to assert that one cannot properly understand the law unless one takes a jurisprudential approach - preferably their own - to it. Equally, those engaged in exposition of the law may counter that legal theory fails to pay adequate attention to actual law. There is at least some truth in these claims. Analyses, courses and textbooks on both sides do often seem to be produced without reference to the other. Yet such isolation is probably more apparent than real. Most, if not all, so-called "black letter" lawyers do operate on the basis of certain jurisprudential understandings, even if these are not articulated ones. In the frequently quoted words of C S Northrop: There are lawyers, judges and even law professors who tell us they have no legal philosophy.

Scots law and the legal institutions of Scotland are markedly different to that in the rest of the UK, determined by its own distinctive history and its relationship with other legal systems. Written in plain English for non-lawyers, this publication examines the Scottish legal system post-devolution, covering a range of topics including: the origins and sources of Scots law; the judicial system; civil courts and civil judicial procedure; tribunals; criminal courts and the criminal justice system; legal personnel including judges and sheriffs, public prosecutors and the legal profession; the administration of the Scottish legal system; judicial review; legal aid and other sources of assistance.

"One Country, Two Systems, Three Legal Orders" – Perspectives of Evolution – : Essays on Macau's Autonomy after the Resumption of Sovereignty by China" can be said, in a short preamble-like manner, to be a book that provides a comprehensive look at several issues regarding public law that arise from, or correlate with, the Chinese apex motto for reunification – One Country, Two Systems – and its implementation in Macau and Hong Kong. Noble and contemporary themes such as autonomy models and fundamental rights are thoroughly approached, with a multilayered analysis encompassing both Western and Chinese views, and an extensive comparative law acquis is also brought forward. Furthermore, relevant issues on international law, criminal law, and historical and comparative evolutions and interactions of different legal s- tems are laid down in this panoramic, yet comprehensive book. One cannot but underline the presence, in the many approaches and comments, of a certain aura of a modern Kantian cosmopolitanism

revisitation throughout the work, especially when dealing with the cardinal principle of «One Country, Two Systems», which enabled a peaceful and integral reunification ex vi international law – the Joint Declarations – that ended an external and distant control.

Returning to a theme featured in some of the earlier volumes in the Edinburgh Studies in Law series, this volume offers an in-depth study of 'mixed jurisdictions' - legal systems which combine elements of the Anglo-American Common Law and the European Civil Law traditions. This new collection of essays compares key areas of private law in Scotland and Louisiana. In thirteen chapters, written by distinguished scholars on both sides of the Atlantic, it explores not only legal rules but also the reasons for the rules, discussing legal history, social and cultural factors, and the law in practice, in order to account for patterns of similarity and difference. Contributions are drawn from the Law Schools of Tulane University, Louisiana State University, Loyola University New Orleans, the American University Washington DC, and the Universities of Aberdeen, Strathclyde and Edinburgh.

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The authoritative text on banking litigation containing an essential collection of materials by leading practitioners. An insightful and analytical approach to key topics including lending and security, payment, conflicts of law, and regulatory and procedural issues.

This one-stop introduction gives you an overview of Scotland's mixed legal system, from its historical roots to how the judicial system works today. The fourth edition is fully updated to cover the latest legislation, rules, case law and the Carloway and Bowen Reviews, and also covers the 2017 general election, the 2016 Scottish Parliament elections, the 2014 Independence Referendum, the Scotland Act 2016; Article 50 and the EU (Withdrawal Agreement) Bill.

This is an introduction to the legal system of Scotland, providing a comprehensive and readable arrangement of cases, statutes and excerpts from books and articles. It includes: the legal profession; the judiciary; courts and tribunals; jurisdiction; legal aid; and the European dimension.

An innovative collaboration between academics, practitioners, activists and artists, this timely and provocative book rewrites 16 significant Scots law cases, spanning a range of substantive topics, from a feminist perspective. Exposing power, politics and partiality, feminist judges provide alternative accounts that bring gender equity concerns to the fore, whilst remaining bound by the facts and legal authorities encountered by the original court. Paying particular attention to Scotland's distinctive national identity, fluctuating experiences of political sovereignty, and unique legal traditions and institutions, this book contributes in a distinctive register to the emerging dialogue amongst feminist judgment projects across the globe. Its judgments address concerns not only about gender equality, but also about the interplay between gender, class, national identity and citizenship in contemporary Scotland. The book also showcases unique contributions from leading artists which, provoked by the enterprise of feminist judging, or by individual cases, offer a visceral and affective engagement with the legal. The book will be of interest to academics, practitioners and students of Scots law, policy-makers, as well as to scholars of feminist and critical theory, and law and gender, internationally.

Part of the Concise Scots Law series, Scottish Legal System should be an ideal reference book, providing guidance to the operations and working of the legal system in Scotland. Act 1998, as well as all significant legislative changes and developments affecting the Scottish Legal System.

Deals with the legal history of Scotland from 1488 to 1603 - this period includes two major events, the institution of the College of Justice and the religious Reformation. This book attempts to write a chronological narrative account of the development of the Scottish legal system from early times.

A course on the Scottish legal system is a compulsory part of undergraduate degrees in Scots Law. The Scottish Legal System sets out to present the 'legal system and law of Scotland as a unique and constantly changing human enterprise' and places the Scottish legal system in its broader political and social contexts. This is achieved by covering not only the central aspects of the system, such as the courts and the legal profession, but also the border areas with constitutional law and jurisprudence. This new sixth edition includes new case law on devolution and human rights issues in Scotland. This well established text provides an up-to-date treatment of all significant developments affecting the Scottish legal system.

The publication in 1999 of Paths to Justice presented the results of the most wide-ranging survey of public use of and attitudes towards the civil justice system ever conducted in England and Wales by either an independent body or government agency. Paths to Justice in Scotland replicates that survey, focusing upon the experiences of ordinary citizens in Scotland as they grapple with the kinds of problems that could ultimately end in the civil courts. In an era of almost unprecedented interest in the resolution of civil disputes and in the procedures and public funding available to assist in the process there remains a lacuna in terms of knowledge of public use of the civil justice system in Scotland which this

major survey sets out to fill. In it, the authors identify how often people experience problems for which there might be a legal solution and how they set about solving them. Revealing crucial differences in the approach taken to different kinds of potential legal problems, the study describes the factors that influence decisions about whether and where to seek advice about problems, and whether and when to go to law. In addition to exploring experiences of courts, tribunals and ADR processes, the study also provides important insights into public confidence in the courts and the judiciary in Scotland. For the first time the study reveals the public's perspective on access to civil justice and makes a significant contribution to debate concerning public experience, expectations and needs when trying to resolve justiciable problems.

This book,written by a team of academics, judges and distinguished practitioners from the UK and abroad discusses the implications of the incorporation of the ECHR into Scots law. The contributors consider the impact of the Human Rights Act in light of the new constitutional settlement for Scotland and their experiences of other rights regimes in Europe, the Commonwealth, and the United States. The contributions span the fields of Private, Public, European Community and Comparative law and draw on human rights law and practice in the UK, the European Community, Canada, New Zealand, South Africa, the United States and Sweden, where the ECHR was recently incorporated. Topics include: analyses of the Human Rights Act and Scotland Act; human rights and the law of crime, property, employment, family and private life; Scottish court practice and procedure; Scots law and the European dimension; and building a rights culture in Scotland.

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Published in 1999. Scottish criminal law and procedure are very different from their counterparts elsewhere in the United Kingdom. This book is the first socio-legal account of the Scottish criminal justice process and its constituent institutions. Its aims are: to explain the operation of the various elements which make up the 'system'; to summarise the considerable volume of relevant Scottish research; and to locate this knowledge within contemporary theorising about criminal justice. To this end, the editors commissioned a team of experts to write chapters on the various stages of institutions of the Scottish criminal justice process. Given Scotland's broad social and cultural similarities to the rest of the United Kingdom, the book also provides a useful comparative perspective which should help to discourage the tendency towards overly ethnocentric theorising south of the border.

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Provides a critical examination of the modern Scottish legal system, covering the jurisdictions, structure and administration of the Scottish courts; the operation of tribunals in Scotland; the Court of Justice of the European Communities; and the European Commission and Court of Human Rights.

Thomas Green examines the Scottish Reformation from a new perspective - the legal system and lawyers. Green covers the Wars of the Congregation, the Reformation Parliament, the legitimacy of the Scottish government in 1558-61, the courts of the early Church of Scotland and the legal significance of Mary Stewart's personal reign.

This examination of the mixed jurisdiction experience makes use of an innovative cross-comparative methodology to provide a wealth of detail on each of the nine countries studied. It identifies the deep resemblances and salient traits of this legal family and the broad analytical overview highlights the family links while providing a detailed individual treatment of each country which reveals their individual personalities. This updated second edition includes two new countries (Botswana and Malta) and the appendices explore all other mixed jurisdictions and contain a special report on Cameroon.

Whether youOCOre studying Law in Scotland or looking to convert to Scots law, this invaluable guide will quickly equip you with all the basics of the Scottish legal system. Fully updated for the third edition, it is the ideal textbook for busy law students and revising for those all-important exams. Summary sections of Essentials Facts and Essential Cases will help you to identify, understand and remember the key elements of the subject."e;

Scots Law The Scottish Legal System is a popular introductory text aimed at the Scottish law undergraduate. The book sets out to present the "legal system and law of Scotland as a unique and constantly changing human enterprise" and places the Scottish Legal System in its broader political and social context. This new edition is thoroughly updated to reflect recent legislative and case law developments.

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