

The Rule Of Law Tom Bingham

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A striking new analysis of Myanmar's court system, revealing how the rule of law is 'lexically present but semantically absent'.

'The Rule of Law' is a phrase much used but little examined. The idea of the rule of law as the foundation of modern states and civilisations has recently become even more talismanic than that of democracy, but what does it actually consist of? In this brilliant short book, Britain's former senior law lord, and one of the world's most acute legal minds, examines what the idea actually means. He makes clear that the rule of law is not an arid legal doctrine but is the foundation of a fair and just society, is a guarantee of responsible government, is an important contribution to economic growth and offers the best means yet devised for securing peace and co-operation. He briefly examines the historical origins of the rule, and then advances eight conditions which capture its essence as understood in western democracies today. He also discusses the strains imposed on the rule of law by the threat and experience of international terrorism. The book will be influential in many different fields and should become a key text for anyone interested in politics, society and the state of our world.

Wagstaff describes how 9/11 terrorist attacks provoked panicked responses from the United States and the United Kingdom resulting in detentions of suspected terrorists in a manner incompatible with the due process,

fair trial, and equality requirements of the rule of law. The legality of the detentions was challenged and found wanting by the highest courts in both the US and UK. The US courts approached these questions as matters within the law of war, whereas the UK courts examined these questions within a human rights criminal law context.

The rule of law has been celebrated as "an unqualified human good," yet there is considerable disagreement about what the ideal of the rule of law requires. When people clamor for the preservation or extension of the rule of law, are they advocating a substantive conception of the rule of law respecting private property and promoting liberty, a formal conception emphasizing an "inner morality of law," or a procedural conception stressing the right to be heard by an impartial tribunal and to make arguments about what the law is? When are exertions of executive power "outside the law" justified on the ground that they may be necessary to maintain or restore the conditions for the rule of law in emergency circumstances, such as defending against terrorist attacks? In *Getting to the Rule of Law* a group of contributors from a variety of disciplines address many of the theoretical legal, political, and moral issues raised by such questions and examine practical applications "on the ground" in the United States and around the world. This timely, interdisciplinary volume examines the ideal of the rule of law, questions when, if ever, executive power "outside the law" is justified to maintain or restore the rule of law, and explores the prospects for and perils of building the rule of law after military interventions.

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Comprehensive summary of the conventions, treaties and agreements administered by the World Intellectual Property Organization.

Tom Bingham was among the most influential judges of the twentieth century, having occupied in succession the most senior judicial offices, Master of the Rolls, Lord Chief Justice and Senior Law Lord, before retiring in 2008, at which point he devoted himself to the teaching of Human Rights Law, until his death in September 2010. His judicial and academic work has deeply influenced the development of the law in a period of substantial legal change. In particular his role in establishing the new UK Supreme Court, and his views on the rule of law and judicial independence left a profound mark on UK constitutional law. He was also instrumental in championing the academic and judicial use of comparative law, through his judicial work and involvement with the British Institute of International and Comparative Law. This volume collects around fifty essays from colleagues and those influenced by Lord Bingham, from across academia and legal practice. The essays survey Lord Bingham's pivotal role in the transformations that took place in the legal system during his career.

The maintenance of liberty and equality requires a legal system in which the police are constrained by the rule of law. Justice, Policing, and the Rule of Law, one of the titles in the Foundations of Democracy series, examines the need for security officials to understand and respect

the rights of individuals and groups and to use their power in a manner that benefits communities, rather than repressing them.

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Scholars have generally assumed that courts in authoritarian states are pawns of their regimes, upholding the interests of governing elites and frustrating the efforts of their opponents. As a result, nearly all studies in comparative judicial politics have focused on democratic and democratizing countries. This volume brings together leading scholars in comparative judicial politics to consider the causes and consequences of

judicial empowerment in authoritarian states. It demonstrates the wide range of governance tasks that courts perform, as well as the way in which courts can serve as critical sites of contention both among the ruling elite and between regimes and their citizens. Drawing on empirical and theoretical insights from every major region of the world, this volume advances our understanding of judicial politics in authoritarian regimes. However controversial, retrospective rule-making is not at all uncommon, and has been used by governments of all political persuasions for a number of applications. This text looks at the various ways in which laws may be seen as retrospective, as well as analysing the problems in defining retrospectivity.

"On a glorious sunny Saturday in June 2014, we had the pleasure of convening a conference in the Temple, the beating heart of legal London, under the title 'Magna Carta, Religion and the Rule of Law' focusing on the powerful narratives - then and now - of faith and governance. We had in mind a modest gathering, and thus we were delighted that in excess of two hundred people chose to attend"--

In "Judicial Reputation: A Comparative Theory," Tom Ginsburg and Nuno Garoupa mean to explain how judges respond to the reputational incentives provided by the different audiences they interact with--lawyers and law professors; politicians; the media; and the public itself--as well as how legal systems design their judicial institutions to calibrate

the locally appropriate balance among audiences. Making use by turns of careful empirical work and penetrating conceptual insights, Ginsburg and Garoupa argue that any given judicial structure is best understood not through the lens of legal culture, origin, or tradition, but through the economics of information and reputation.

This book explores the development of both the civil law conception of the Legal State and the common law conception of the Rule of Law. It examines the philosophical and historical background of both concepts, as well as the problem of the interrelation between the two doctrines. The book brings together twenty-five leading scholars from around the world and provides both general and specific jurisdictional perspectives of the issue in both contemporary and historical settings. The Rule of Law is a legal doctrine the meaning of which can only be fully appreciated in the context of both the common law and the European civil law tradition of the Legal State (Rechtsstaat). The Rule of Law and the Legal State are fundamental safeguards of human dignity and of the legitimacy of the state and the authority of state prescriptions.

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Democracies are in danger. Around the world, a rising wave of populist leaders threatens to erode the

core structures of democratic self rule. In the United States, the election of Donald Trump marked a decisive turning point for many. What kind of president calls the news media the "enemy of the American people," or sees a moral equivalence between violent neo-Nazi protesters in paramilitary formation and residents of a college town defending the racial and ethnic diversity of their homes? Yet, whatever our concerns about the current president, we can be assured that the Constitution offers safeguards to protect against lasting damage--or can we? *How to Save a Constitutional Democracy* mounts an urgent argument that we can no longer afford to be complacent. Drawing on a rich array of other countries' experiences with democratic backsliding, Tom Ginsburg and Aziz Z. Huq show how constitutional rules can either hinder or hasten the decline of democratic institutions. The checks and balances of the federal government, a robust civil society and media, and individual rights--such as those enshrined in the First Amendment--do not necessarily succeed as bulwarks against democratic decline. Rather, Ginsburg and Huq contend, the sobering reality for the United States is that, to a much greater extent than is commonly realized, the Constitution's design makes democratic erosion more, not less, likely. Its structural rigidity has had the unforeseen consequence of empowering the Supreme Court to fill in some details--often with

doctrines that ultimately facilitate rather than inhibit the infringement of rights. Even the bright spots in the Constitution--the First Amendment, for example--may have perverse consequences in the hands of a deft communicator, who can degrade the public sphere by wielding hateful language that would be banned in many other democracies. But we--and the rest of the world--can do better. The authors conclude by laying out practical steps for how laws and constitutional design can play a more positive role in managing the risk of democratic decline.

This volume brings together essays by leading scholars of comparative constitutional design from myriad disciplinary perspectives. The authors collectively assess what we know - and don't know - about the design process as well as particular institutional choices concerning executive power, constitutional amendment processes, and many other issues. Bringing together positive and normative analysis, it provides the state of the art in a field of growing theoretical and practical importance.

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Lives of the Law collects the most important later writings of Tom Bingham, heralded as the greatest English judge of the twentieth century. These papers tackle some of the major issues in contemporary public life - from reforming the constitution to the growth of human rights law - and brings them to life for the lawyer and general reader alike.

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and history of the rule of law.

Rule of law and constitutionalist ideals are understood by many, if not most, as necessary to create a just political order.

Defying the traditional division between normative and positive theoretical approaches, this book explores how political reality on the one hand, and constitutional ideals on the other, mutually inform and influence each other.

Seventeen chapters from leading international scholars cover a diverse range of topics and case studies to test the hypothesis that the best normative theories, including those regarding the role of constitutions, constitutionalism and the rule of law, conceive of the ideal and the real as mutually regulating.

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