

How to Find the Law (Book Review)

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HOW TO FIND THE LAW. By Fred A. Eldean. St. Paul: West Publishing Co., 1931, pp. 782.

This work is patently the result of much painstaking labor. The research in which Mr. Eldean must have engaged could not even have been undertaken except by one already close to mastery of his field. The chapters devoted to the trial brief and the brief on appeal will be helpful to the practitioner and chapters 12 to 17 covering case analysis and statutory construction will repay the close study of anyone interested in the law whether practically or theoretically.

The chapters dealing with materials, or bibliography in the concrete, are full and complete. The four introductory chapters are invaluable to the beginner.

Your reviewer has examined this work with a great deal of interest and there are many parts of it which he expects to use not only in teaching research and brief-making, but in practice.

This volume might better have been named, "How to Find *and Use* the Law," for its best feature is that it is a fine text on the analysis and classification of law and the sources of law and on the fundamentals of brief making.

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SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES BY ARBITRATION. By Alexander P. Blanck. New York, 1930, pp. 38.

This is avowedly a book designed to acquaint the business man with the fundamentals of arbitration. It sets forth lucidly the conduct of a controversy from the agreement to arbitrate to the final award. The advantages of the arbitral method are explained and the pitfalls which may make the short cut to settlement more circuitous are pointed out.

The business man should profit by reading this book for it ably presents the case for arbitration and in addition states enough principles to give a working knowledge of the method without making of every reader a *soi-disant* expert.

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CASES AND MATERIALS ON THE LAW OF CREDIT TRANSACTIONS. By Wesley A. Sturges. St. Paul: West Publishing Co., 1930, pp. 1228.

The cases and materials in this book are the result of the course which the author has given for the past five years at the Yale Law School. The former courses of Bankruptcy, Mortgages and Suretyship have been con-