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This arrestingly novel work develops a

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normative synthesis of medical humanities, virtue ethics, medical ethics, health law and human rights. It presents an ambitious, complex and coherent argument for the reconceptualisation of the doctor-patient relationship and its regulation utilising approaches often thought of

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as being separate, if not opposed (virtue-based ethics and universal human rights). The case is argued gracefully, with moderation, but also with respect for opposing positions. The book's analysis of the foundational professional virtue of therapeutic loyalty is an original

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departure from the traditional discourse of "patient autonomy," and the ethical and legal "duties" of the medical practitioner. The central argument is not merely presented, as bookends, in the introduction and conclusion. It is cogently represented in each chapter and section and

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measured against the material considered. A remarkable feature is the use of aptly selected "canonical" literature to inform the argument. These references run from Hesse's "The Glass Bead Game" in the abstract, to Joyce's "Ulysses" in the conclusion. They include excerpts

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from and discussion about Bergman, Borges, Boswell, Tolstoy, de Beauvoir, Chekhov, Dostoevsky, Samuel Johnson, Aristotle, Orwell, Osler, Chaucer, Schweitzer, Shakespeare, Thorwalds, Kafka and William Carlos Williams. Such references are used not merely as an artistic and

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decorative leitmotif, but become a critical, narrative element and another complex and rich layer to this work. The breadth and quality of the references are testimony to the author's clear understanding of the modern law and literature movement. This work provides the basis of a

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medical school course. As many medical educators as possible should also be encouraged to read this work for the insights it will give them into using their own personal life narratives and those of their patients to inform their decision-making process. This thesis will also be of value to the

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judiciary, whose members are often called upon to make normatively difficult judgments about medical care and medical rules. The human rights material leads to a hopeful view of an international movement toward a universal synthesis between medical ethics and human rights in all doctor-

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patient relationships.

As a distinct scholarly contribution to law, feminist legal theory is now well over three decades old. Those three decades have seen consolidation and renewal of its central concerns as well as remarkable growth, dynamism and change. This Companion celebrates

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the strength of feminist legal thought, which is manifested in this dynamic combination of stability and change, as well as in the diversity of perspectives and methodologies, and the extensive range of subject-matters, which are now included within its ambit. Bringing together contributors from across a

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range of jurisdictions and legal traditions, the book provides a concise but critical review of existing theory in relation to the core issues or concepts that have animated, and continue to animate, feminism. It provides an authoritative and scholarly review of contemporary feminist legal thought,

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and seeks to contribute to the ongoing development of some of its new approaches, perspectives, and subject-matters. The Companion is divided into three parts, dealing with 'Theory', 'Concepts' and 'Issues'. The first part addresses theoretical questions which are of significance to law, but which

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also connect to feminist theory at the broadest and most interdisciplinary level. The second part also draws on general feminist theory, but with a more specific focus on debates about equality and difference, race, culture, religion, and sexuality. The 'Issues' section considers in detail more

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specific areas of substantive legal controversy.

The Oxford Handbook of Criminal Law reflects the continued transformation of criminal law into a global discipline, providing scholars with a comprehensive international resource, a common point of entry into cutting

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edge contemporary research and a snapshot of the state and scope of the field. To this end, the Handbook takes a broad approach to its subject matter, disciplinarily, geographically, and systematically. Its contributors include current and future research leaders representing a variety of legal

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systems, methodologies, areas of expertise, and research agendas. The Handbook is divided into four parts: Approaches & Methods (I), Systems & Methods (II), Aspects & Issues (III), and Contexts & Comparisons (IV). Part I includes essays exploring various methodological approaches to

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criminal law (such as criminology, feminist studies, and history). Part II provides an overview of systems or models of criminal law, laying the foundation for further inquiry into specific conceptions of criminal law as well as for comparative analysis (such as Islamic, Marxist, and military law).

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Part III covers the three aspects of the penal process: the definition of norms and principles of liability (substantive criminal law), along with a less detailed treatment of the imposition of norms (criminal procedure) and the infliction of sanctions (prison or corrections law). Contributors consider

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the basic topics traditionally addressed in scholarship on the general and special parts of the substantive criminal law (such as jurisdiction, mens rea, justifications, and excuses). Part IV places criminal law in context, both domestically and transnationally, by exploring the contrasts between

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criminal law and other species of law and state power and by investigating criminal law's place in the projects of comparative law, transnational, and international law.

Critical theory, characteristically linked with the politics of theoretical engagement, covers the manifold of

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the connections between theory and praxis. This thought-provoking Research Handbook captures the broad range of those connections as far as legal thought is concerned and retains an emphasis both on the politics of theory, and on the notion of theoretical engagement. The first part

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examines the question of definition and tracks the origins and development of critical legal theory along its European and North American trajectories. The second part looks at the thematic connections between the development of legal theory and other currents of critical

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thought such as; Feminism, Marxism, Critical Race Theory, varieties of post-modernism, as well as the various 'turns' (ethical, aesthetic, political) of critical legal theory. The third and final part explores particular fields of law, addressing the question how the field has been shaped by critical legal

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theory, or what critical approaches reveal about the field, with the clear focus on opportunities for social transformation.

With contributions from some of the most important current feminist thinkers, Transformations traces both the shifts in thinking that have allowed

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feminism to arrive at its present point, and the way that feminist agendas have progressed in line with wider social developments. A thorough reassessment of feminism's place in contemporary life, the authors engage in current debates as diverse as globalization, technoscience,

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embodiment and performativity, taking feminism in fresh directions, mapping new territory and suggesting alternative possibilities.

*Norm Transfer, Complementarity,
Rape and Consent*

Northern / Irish Feminist Judgments

Philosophical Perspectives on Women

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and Legal Obligations

Law's Meaning of Life

Gender, Sexualities and Law

Transformations

Childbirth, Vulnerability and Law

Understanding Jurisprudence

provides an illuminating and

engaging introduction to the central

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questions of legal theory. It is the perfect starting point for those new to the subject.

Whilst feminist philosophy has frequently engaged with political theory, this original book instead considers legal theory and the practical operation of law. The work

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considers some of the contested meanings of what it is to be a self, a person or an individual in relation to the law of obligations. The discussion still impacts upon political theory as it concerns the way in which the question of what it is to be a woman has been defined within recent

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feminist theory. In order to overcome what appears to be a block in feminist legal theory, the book draws together areas of philosophy which are not normally considered within feminist or legal theory.

Who or what is entitled to act on the international plane? Where should

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responsibility for violations of international law lie? What sort of entities are capable of possessing international legal rights? What is the status of individuals, minority groups, non-governmental bodies, international organisations and animals in the international legal

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order and how has their status shifted over time? International Legal Personality contains fourteen articles that address these and related questions. In historical and contemporary writings, international lawyers grapple with the nature of legal identity, and confront global

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distributions of authority and responsibility, as they explore who or what is a 'person' in the international legal order. These essays document the emergence of an international legal order increasingly conceived in terms of patterns and probabilities, rather than as the stagecraft of a

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small company of permanent players. This work introduces and further develops the feminist strategy of 'norm transfer': the proposal that feminist informed standards created at the level of international criminal law make their way into domestic contexts. Situating this strategy

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within the complementarity regime of the International Criminal Court (ICC), it is argued that there is an opportunity for dialogue and debate around the contested aspects of international norms as opposed to uncritical acceptance. The book uses the crime of rape as a case study and

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offers a new perspective on one of the most contentious debates within international and domestic criminal legal feminism: the relationship between consent and coercion in the definition of rape. In analysing the ICC definition of rape, it is argued that the omission of consent as an

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explicit element is flawed. Arguing that the definition is in need of revision to explicitly include a context-sensitive notion of consent, the book goes further, setting out draft legislative amendments to the ICC 'Elements of Crimes' definition of rape and its Rules of Procedure and

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Evidence. Turning its attention to the domestic landscape, the book drafts amendments to the United Kingdom (UK) Sexual Offences Act 2003 and to the Youth Justice and Criminal Evidence Act 1999: thereby showing how the revised version of the ICC definition can be applied in context of

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the UK.

*Bringing together previously
disparate discussions on criminal
responsibility from law, psychology,
and philosophy, this book provides a
close study of mental incapacity
defences, tracing their development
through historical cases to the*

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modern era.

The Influence of the Nuclear Family

Pilgrims in Medicine:

*Conscience, Legalism and Human
Rights*

An Introduction to Legal Theory

*Feminist Dialogues on International
Law*

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*Research Handbook on Critical Legal
Theory*

A Comparative Analysis

*Swedish Feminism and the Challenge
to Pessimism*

***This book explores the
prosecution of wartime***

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*sexual violence in
international criminal
law and asks what the
juridicalisation of
gender-based violence
signifies for women. The
book explores the*

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*portrayal of the various
gendered identities that
surface in armed
conflict and it asks
whether the law is
capable of reflecting
these in subsequent*

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*judgements. Focusing on
the International
Criminal Tribunal for
the Former Yugoslavia
and the International
Criminal Tribunal for
Rwanda as well as*

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*subsequent developments
in the International
Criminal Court, the book
shows how the tribunals
have delivered landmark
jurisprudence in the
area of sexual violence*

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*against women and
provided a legacy for
how gender justice is
incorporated into
international law.
However, Daniela Nadj
argues that in the*

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*relevant cases there is
a tendency to depict
women in monolithic
fashion with little
agency or sense of
identity beyond their
ethnicity. By bringing*

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*to the surface the
complexity and multi-
faceted gendered
identities in wartime,
the book calls for a
reconceptualisation of
notions of femininity in*

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armed conflict.

*This book outlines a
compelling new agenda
for feminist theories of
identity and social
relations. Using
Lacanian psychoanalysis*

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with feminist

*epistemology, the author
sets out a*

groundbreaking

psychoanalytic social

theory. Campbell's work

offers answers to the

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*important contemporary
question of how feminism
can change the formation
of gendered
subjectivities and
social relations.*

Drawing on the work of

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*third wave feminists,
the book shows how
feminism can provide new
political models of
knowing and disrupt
foundational ideas of
sexual identity. Kirsten*

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*Campbell engages the
reader with an original
intepretation of
Lacanian psychoanalysis
and offers a compelling
argument for a fresh
commitment to the*

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politics of feminism.

Jacques Lacan and

Feminist Epistemology

will be essential

reading for anyone with

interests in gender

studies, cultural

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*studies, psychoanalytic
studies or social and
political theory.*

*Provocative, audacious
and challenging, this
book rejuvenates not
only the historical*

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*study of law and but
also the role of Law
Schools by asking which
stories we tell and
which stories we forget.
It argues that a
historical approach to*

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*law should be at the
beating heart of the Law
School curriculum. Far
from being archaic,
elitist and dull,
historical perspectives
on law are and should be*

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*subversive. Comparison
with the past
underscores: how the law
and legal institutions
are not fixed but are
constructed; that every
line drawn in the law*

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*and everything the law
holds as sacred is
arbitrary; and how the
environment into which
law students are
socialised is a
historical construct. A*

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*subversive approach is
needed to highlight,
question, de-construct
and re-construct the
authored nature of the
law, revealing that that
legal change on a larger*

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scale is possible.

*Subversive Legal History
is not a type of Legal
History but is a
characteristic. It
describes a legal method
that should not be the*

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*preserve only of
specialist legal
historians but rather
should be part of the
toolkit of all law
students, teachers and
researchers. The book*

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*will be essential
reading for all who work
and study in Law
Schools, proposing a
radical new approach not
only to the historical
study of law but to the*

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*content, purpose and
ambition of legal
education. A subversive
approach can
revolutionise Law
Schools providing a more
ambitious legal*

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*education which is
grounded in the socio-
legal reality, helping
to ensure that today's
law students are better
equipped to be the
professionals and*

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citizens of tomorrow.

*Feminist scholarship can
provide public lawyers
with the critical tools
and insights to respond
to these new challenges.
This collection begins a*

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*dialogue between public
law and feminism by
offering a range of
perspectives on
contemporary public law
themes and topics.
This book presents an in-*

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*depth comparative study
of sentencing practice
for rape in six common
law jurisdictions:
England and Wales,
Scotland, Ireland,
Canada, New Zealand, and*

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*South Africa. It
provides a thorough
review of the medical
literature on the
physical and
psychological effects of
rape, the legal and*

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*philosophical literature
on the seriousness of
the offence, and the
victim's role in
sentencing. Given the
increasingly common
practice of perpetrators*

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using mobile and online technologies to film or photograph the commission of sexual offences, the book examines recent socio-legal research on

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*technology-facilitated
sexual violence and
considers the
implications for
sentencing. By building
on recent scholarship on
judicial decision making*

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*in sentencing and case
law - comprising over
250 decisions of the
relevant appellate
courts - the book
explores and critically
analyses judicial*

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*approaches to rape
sentencing. The analysis
is undertaken with a
view to suggesting
possible reforms to rape
sentencing in 'non-
guideline'*

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*jurisdictions. In so
doing, this book seeks
to establish general
principles for
sentencing rape,
assisting in the
imposition of*

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proportionate sentences.

*This book will be of
interest to judges and
practising lawyers; to
those researching
criminal law, criminal
justice, criminology,*

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*and gender studies; and
to policy makers,
including sentencing
councils and
commissions, in common
law jurisdictions
worldwide.*

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Power and Legitimacy

Philosophy, Religion,

Darwin and the Legal

Person

Feminist Perspectives on

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*The Ashgate Research
Companion to Feminist
Legal Theory
Unspeakable Subjects
Feminist Engagement with
International Criminal
Law*

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This book is inspired by a statement released by the World Health Organization directed at preventing and eliminating disrespectful and abusive treatment during facility-based childbirth. Exploring the nature of

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vulnerability during childbirth, and the factors which make childbirth a site for violence and control, the book looks at the role of law in the regulation of professional intervention in childbirth. The WHO statement

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and other published work on
'mistreatment', 'obstetric
violence', 'birth trauma', 'birth
rape', and 'dehumanised care' all
point to the presence of
vulnerability, violence, and
control in childbirth. This

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collected edition explores these issues in the experience of those giving birth, and for those providing obstetric services. It further offers insights regarding legal avenues of redress in the context of this emerging area of

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concern. Using violence, vulnerability, and control as a lens through which to consider multiple facets of the law, the book brings together innovative research from an interdisciplinary selection of authors. The book

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will appeal to scholars of law and legal academics, specifically in relation to tort, criminal law, medical law, and human rights. It will also be of interest to postgraduate scholars of medical ethics and those concerned with

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gender studies more broadly.
Moving beyond the question of
whether an area of scholarly
investigation can truly be
characterized as 'legal',
Exploiting the Limits of Law
combats the often unhelpful

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constraints of law's subject-matter and formal processes.

Through a process of reflection on the limits of law and repeated efforts to redraw them, this book challenges the general sense of pessimism among feminists and

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others about the usefulness of law as an instrument of change. The work combines theoretical analysis of the law's boundaries with investigation of the practical settings for changing legal and policy environments. Both the

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empirical focus of this volume,
and its underlying theoretical
concern with the limits of the law
and its gender implications,
render it of interest to legal
scholars throughout the world,
whether of EU law, feminism,

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social policy or philosophy.

Uses the failure of women to fit into male models of both law and theory as a way to rethink legal questions, including the meaning of equality, freedom, justice and citizenship. This includes

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concern about the way in which queer theory and critical race theory intersect with feminist theory today.

The perennial question posed by the philosophically-inclined lawyer is 'What is law?' or

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perhaps 'What is the nature of law?' This book poses an associated, but no less fundamental, question about law which has received much less attention in the legal literature. It is: 'Who is law for?' Whenever

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people go to law, they are judged for their suitability as legal persons. They are given or refused rights and duties on the basis of ideas about who matters. These ideas are basic to legal-decision making; they

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form the intellectual and moral underpinning of legal thought. They help to determine whether law is essentially for rational human beings or whether it also speaks to and for human infants, adults with impaired reasoning,

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the comotose, foetuses and even animals. Are these the right kind of beings to enter legal relationships and so become legal persons. Are they, for example, sufficiently rational, or sacred or simply human? Is law

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meant for them? This book reveals and evaluates the type of thinking that goes into these fundamental legal and metaphysical determinations about who should be capable of bearing legal rights and duties. It

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identifies and analyses four influential ways of thinking about law's person, each with its own metaphysical suppositions. One approach derives from rationalist philosophy, a second from religion, a third from evolutionary

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biology while the fourth is strictly legalistic and so endeavours to eschew metaphysics altogether. The book offers a clear, coherent and critical account of these complex moral and intellectual processes entailed in the making

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of legal persons.

Examining modern jurisprudence
theory, statutory law, and the
family within the modern Gothic
novel, Anne Qu é ma shows how
the forms and effects of political
power transform as one shifts

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from discourse to discourse.

Exploiting the Limits of Law

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The Subject of Prostitution

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Criminal Law

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Feminist Perspectives on Law
and Theory

Subversive Legal History

Judges' Troubles and the

Gendered Politics of Identity

Critically re-evaluates the problem
of sex between international

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personnel and local people and offers regulatory solutions to legal problems.

This title was first published in 2003. The fulfilment of health care rights in a world where resources are scarce is a prominent issue. In this

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volume, Frances H. Miller

introduces studies on a wide variety
of aspects of this important yet
complex process.

This volume is a Festschrift in
honour of Sir Gerald Gordon who
has been one of the most influential

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figures in Scottish criminal law and procedure in the last century.

In the past decade, a sense of feminist 'success' has developed within the United Nations and international law, recognized in the Security Council resolution 1325 on

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women, peace and security, the increased jurisprudence on gender based crimes in armed conflict from the ICTR/Y and the ICC, the creation of UN Women, and Security Council sanctions against perpetrators of sexual violence in

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armed conflict. Contributing to the development of feminist and gender scholarship on international law, Gina Heathcote provides a feminist analysis of the central pillars of international law, noting the advances and limitations of feminist

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approaches. Through incorporating into mainstream international legal studies specific critical and feminist narratives, this book considers the manner in which feminist thinking has changed international law, and the manner in which international

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law has remained impervious to key feminist dialogues. It argues for a return to structural bias feminism that engages the foundations of international law and uses gender as a method for challenging post-millennium narratives on

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fragmentation, the role of international institutions, the nature of legal authority, sovereignty, and the role of international legal experts.

Examining specific areas of family law from a feminist perspective, this

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book assesses the impact that feminism has had upon family law. It is deliberately broad in scope, as it takes the view that family law cannot be defined in a traditional way. In addition to issues of long-standing concern for feminists, it

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explores issues of current legal and political preoccupation such as civil partnerships, home-sharing, reproductive technologies and new initiatives in regulating family practices through criminal law, including domestic violence and

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youth justice.

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Minimalism

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Understanding Jurisprudence

Feminist Perspectives on Public
Law

An Allegory of Medical

Humanities, Foundational

Virtues, Ethical Principles, Law and

Human Rights in Medical, Personal

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and Professional Development

In this book, Natalie Persadie explains that, among developing countries, the achievement of legal advances for women—at either the international or national levels—is particularly difficult where practical measures are not subsequently implemented. She examines

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the need for financial and human resources to make such legal measures effective.

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individual; the concepts of equality, freedom, justice and rights; the legal construction of public and private realms and of the relations between individual, state and community. They also reflect upon the deployment of law as a means of furthering feminist ethical and political values.

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ignored, justified, or minimised, this category of crimes now has a heightened profile in the international political and judicial arena. Despite this, gender is poorly understood, and blind spots, biases, and stereotypes prevail. This book brings

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gender, before considering how a limited conceptualization affects accountability efforts. The authors consider how best to implement a more nuanced understanding of gender in the practice of international criminal law by identifying possible

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responses, including embedding a sophisticated gender strategy into the practice of ICL, the gender-sensitive application of international human rights and humanitarian law, and encouraging a gender-competent approach to judging in ICL. The

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authors' aim is to strengthen
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and protection by radical
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responding to the 'problem of

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**correlation between the
relative success of retributive
penal policies in English-
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practical evidence of
increasingly excessive
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those jurisdictions. It sets out three key arguments. First, that increasingly excessive conditions in England and Wales over the last three decades represent a failure of retributive theory. Second, that the penal minimalist

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**cause cannot do without
retributive proportionality, at
least in comparison to the
limiting principles espoused
by rehabilitation, restorative
justice and penal
abolitionism. Third, that
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therefore necessary if we are to confront penal excess. The monograph offers a sketch of this new approach, 'late retributivism', as both a theory of punishment and of minimalist political action, within a democratic society.

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**This book argues that the
legal understanding of 'family'**

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in the UK continues to be underpinned by the idealised image of the 'nuclear family', premised upon the traditional, gendered roles of 'father as breadwinner' and 'mother as homemaker'. This examination of the law's

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Throughout the book, the influence of the nuclear family is noted in several different contexts: various specific legal definitions of 'family', the legal regulation of adult, conjugal relationships, the attribution

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**of legal parenthood and the
construction of the role of the
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**Ultimately, this book argues
that while these reforms have
resulted in additional
categories of relationship
coming to be situated within**

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**the nuclear family model,
there has not, as yet, been any
fundamental alteration of the
underpinning concept of the
nuclear family itself. This
book concludes by
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offered beyond the 'nuclear**

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**family'; exploring the
reconceptualising of the legal
understanding of 'family'
around alternative and
potentially 'radical' models of
'family'.**

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human rights, to the very real concern that without a secure foundation for the concept of human rights, their very existence is threatened. While there has been consideration of the discourses of human rights and the way in which

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**the body is written upon,
research in linguistics has not
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