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It's March already which means that the publication of the White Book is imminent. In order to assure that you receive your copy on the day of publication please place your orders with the bookshop. Graham Norfolk examines the electronic side of the White Book Service on pages 16 and 17.

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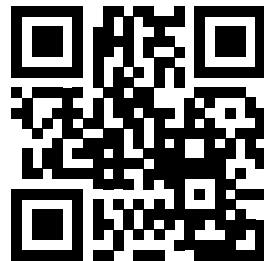
Just published this month *The Old Munster Circuit* by Maurice Healy. We used to have a hardback reprint of this but that is now out of print. We have now reprinted it as part of our paperback series of *Wildy Classics*, see page 18.

We will be having our spin on the "How many sweets in the jar?" competition next month. You could win signed Paul Hollywood or Tom Kerridge cookbooks, amongst other prizes.

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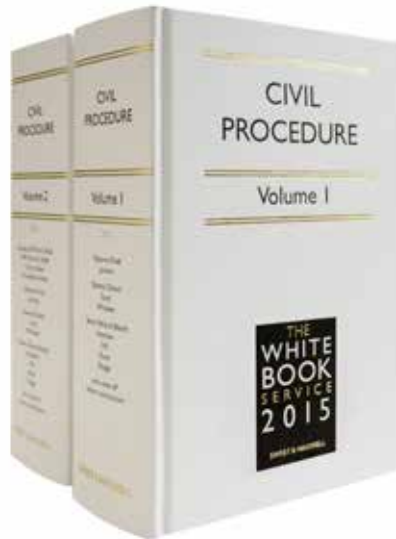
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11-13 June, Brighton, the Wildy Team will be attending the annual BIALL conference

29 June - 2 July, we will be attending the annual CARALL conference in Barbados

September, OECS meeting in Grenada

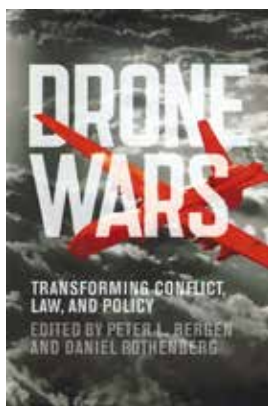
October, Vienna, we will be attending the annual IBA conference

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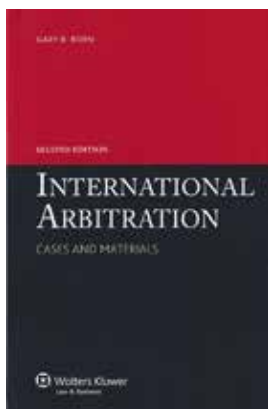
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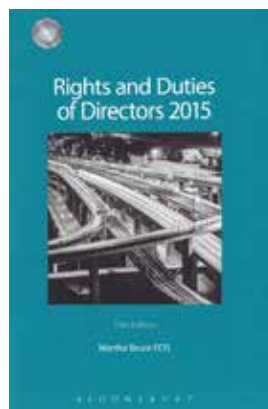
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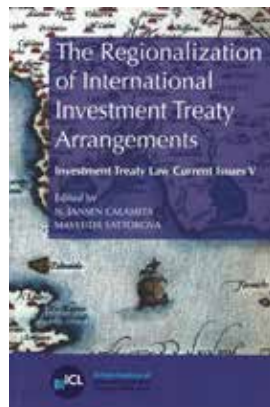
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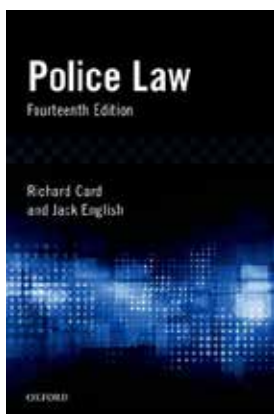
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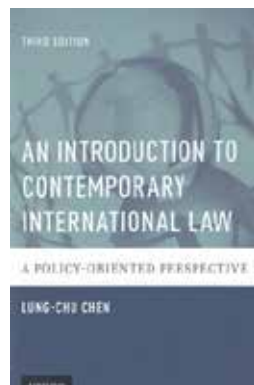
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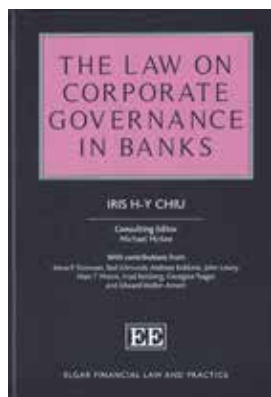


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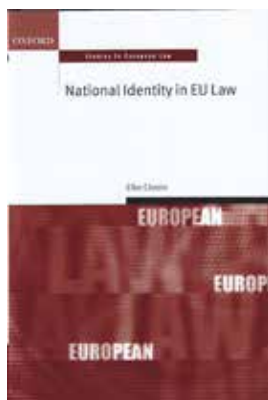


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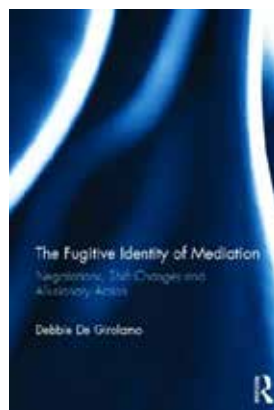
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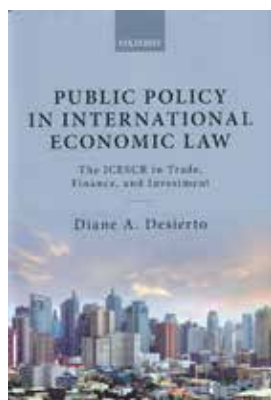
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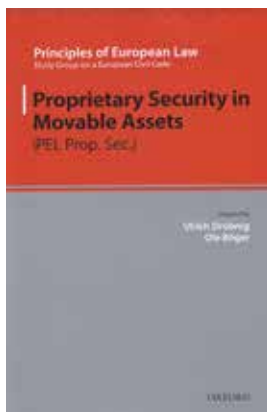
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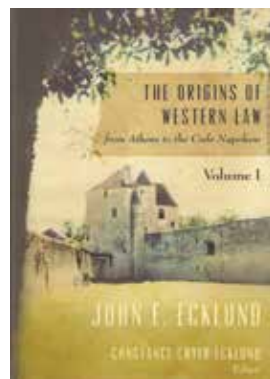
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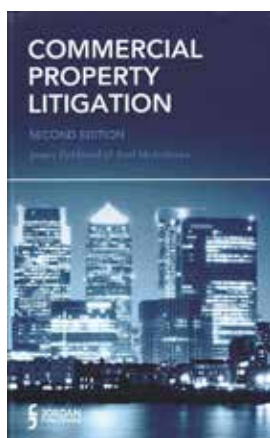
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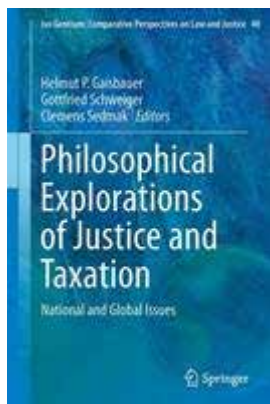


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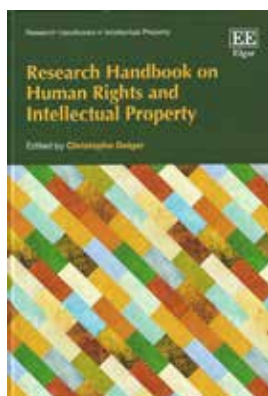


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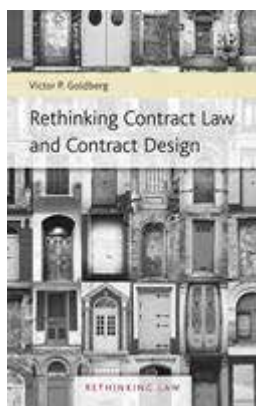
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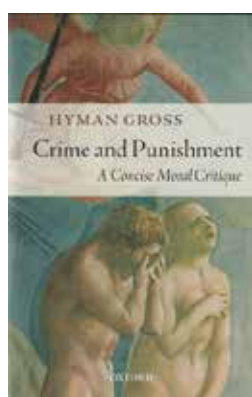
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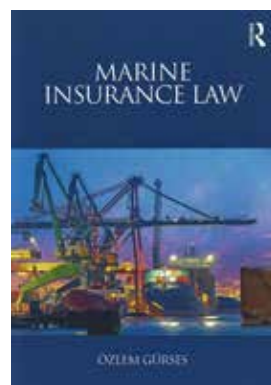
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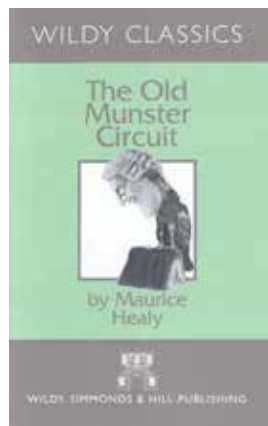
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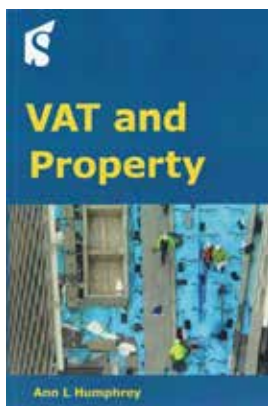
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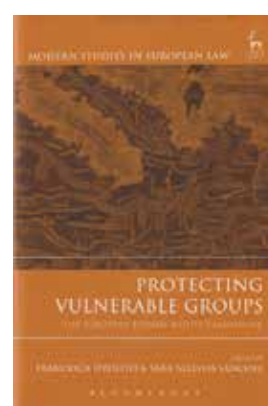
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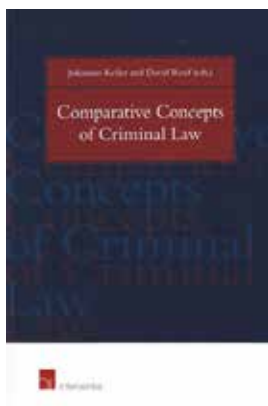
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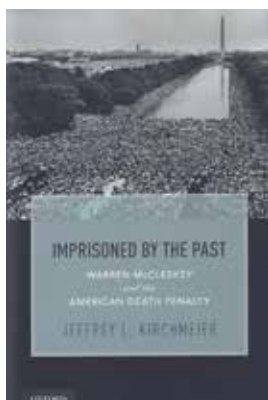
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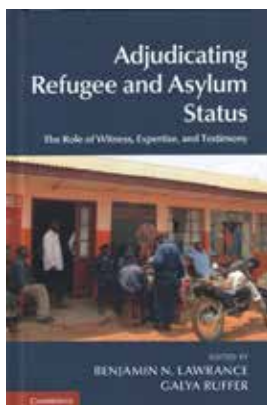
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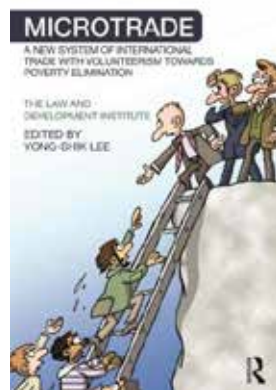
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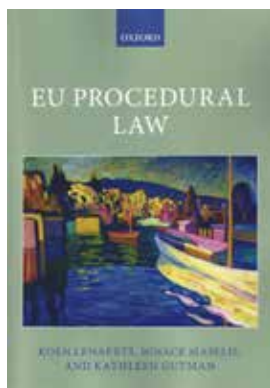
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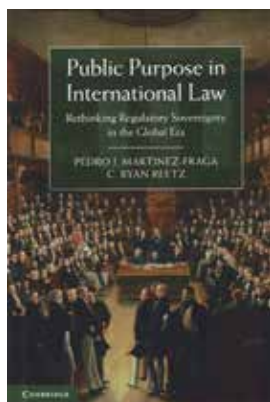


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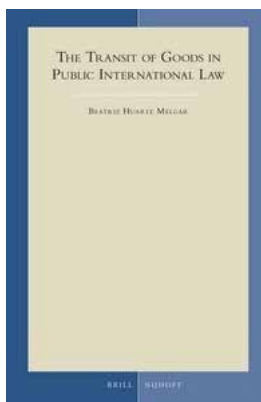


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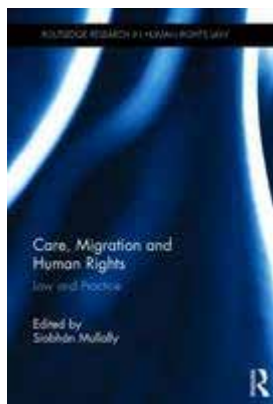
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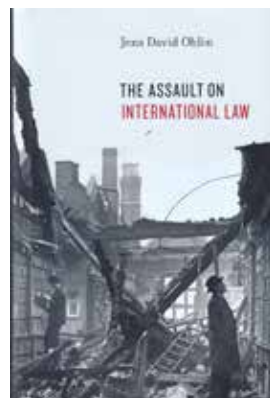
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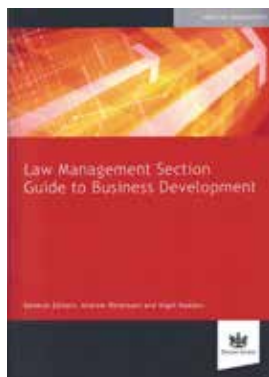
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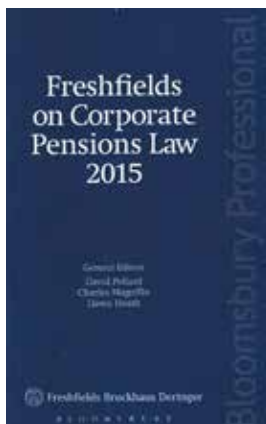
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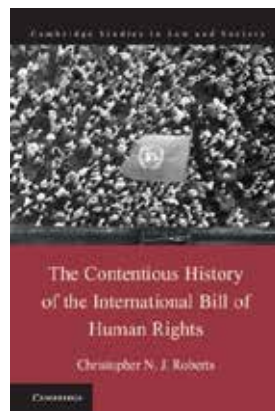
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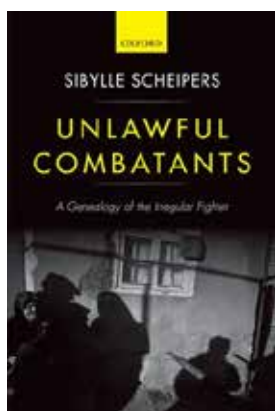
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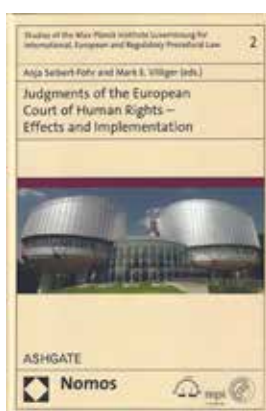
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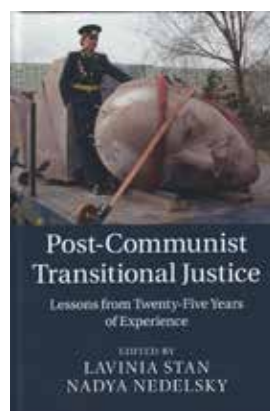
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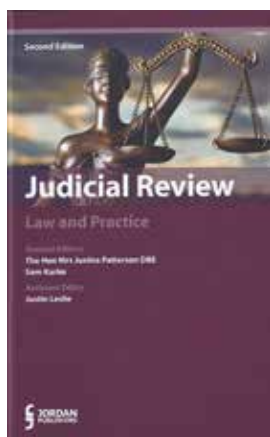


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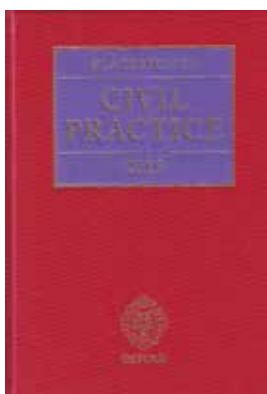


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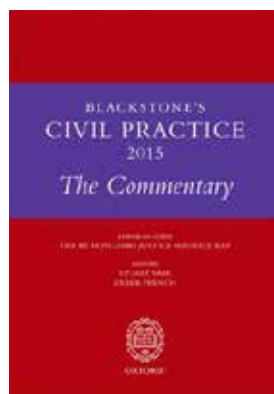
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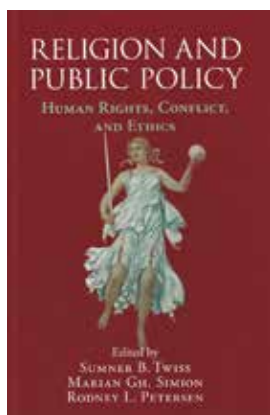
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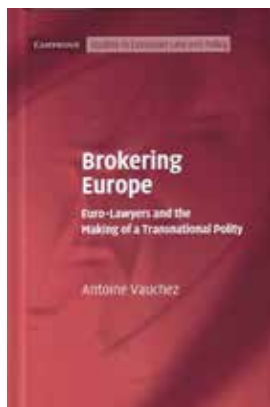
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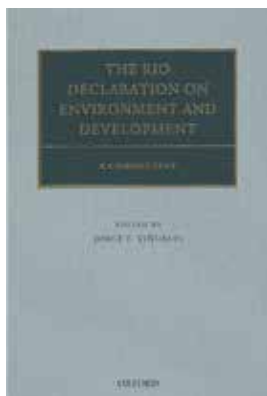
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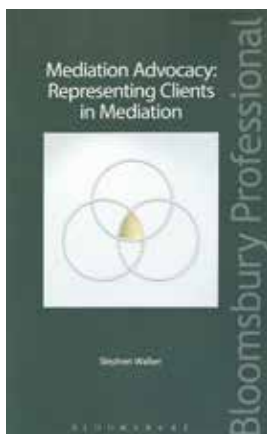
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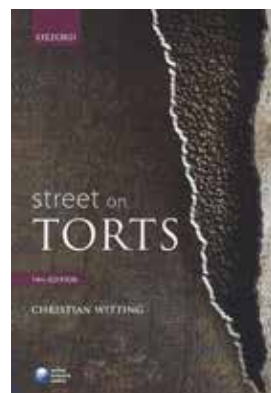
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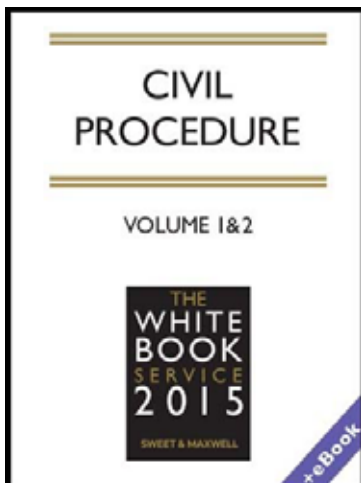
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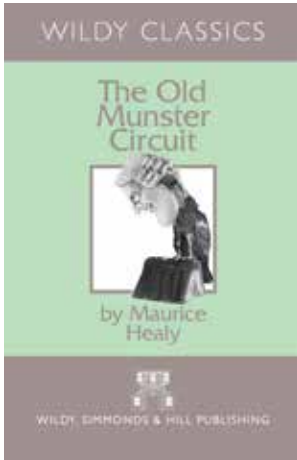
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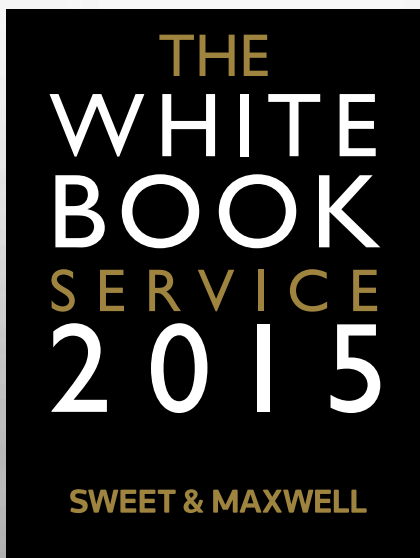
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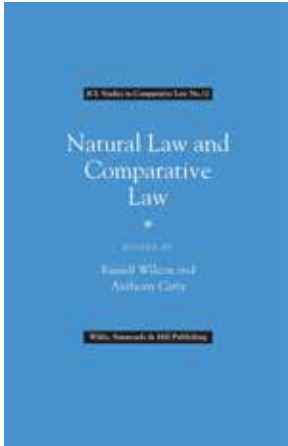
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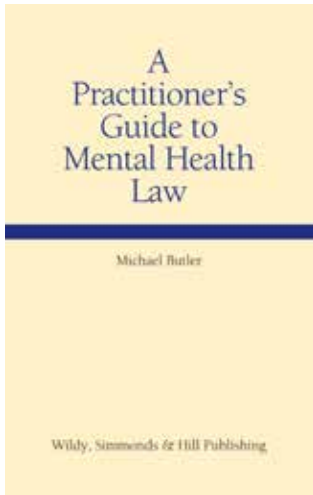
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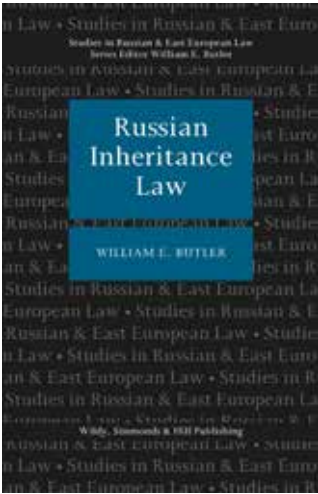
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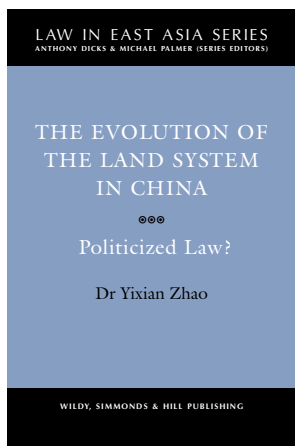
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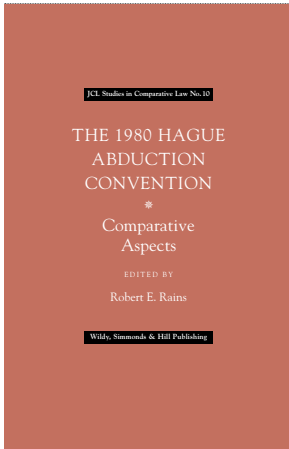
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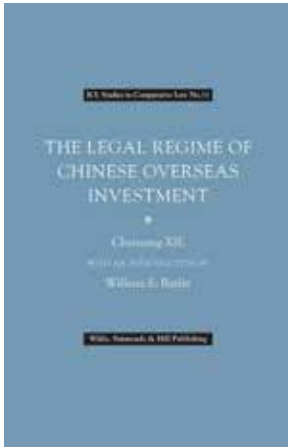
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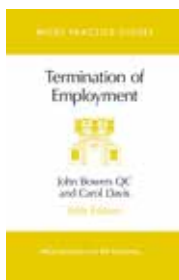
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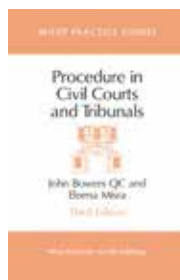
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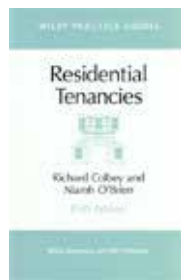
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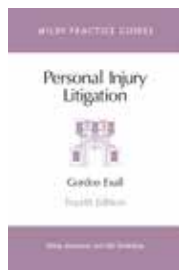
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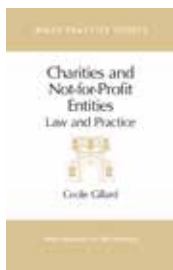
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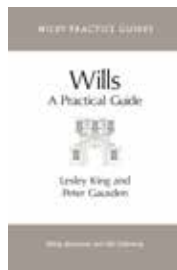
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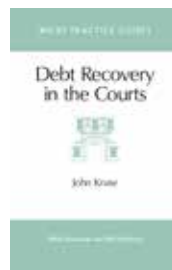
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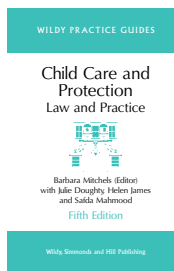
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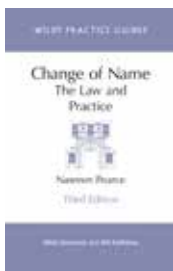
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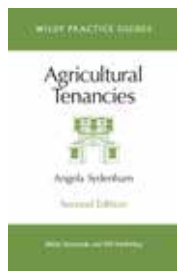
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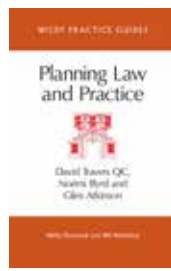
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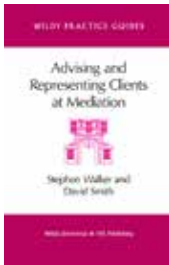
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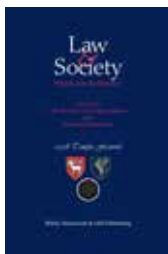


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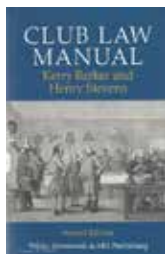
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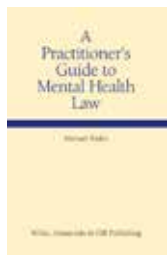
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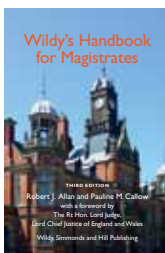
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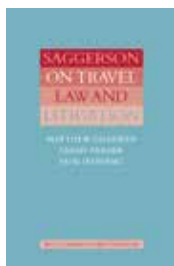
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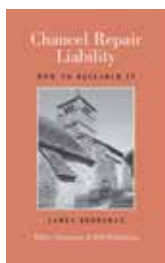
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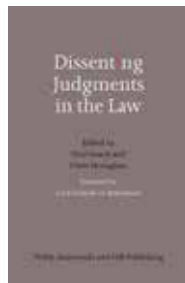
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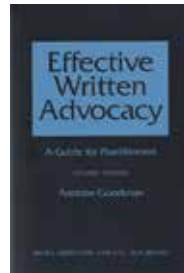
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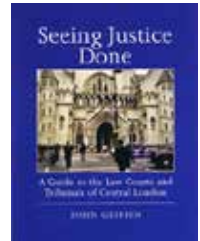
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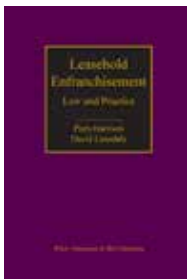
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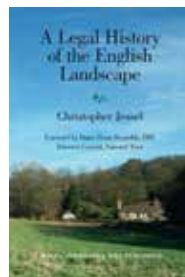
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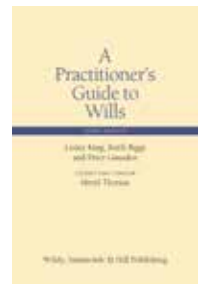
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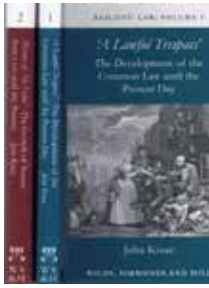
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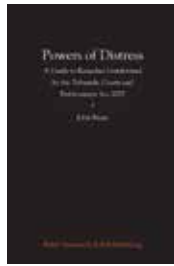
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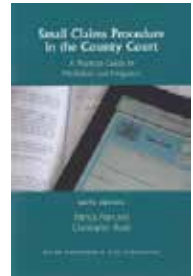
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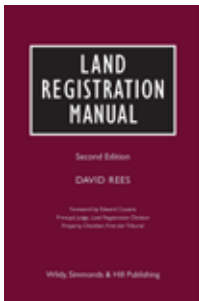
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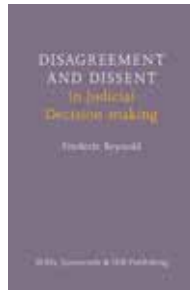
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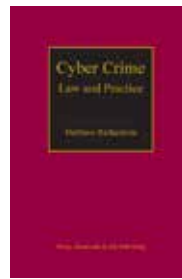
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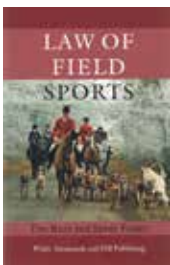
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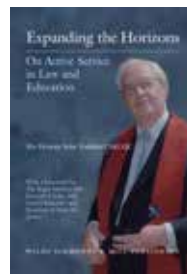
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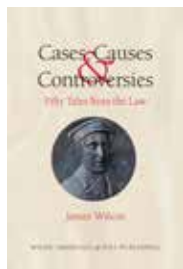
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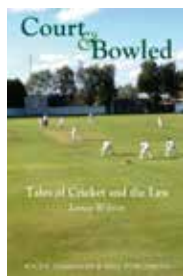


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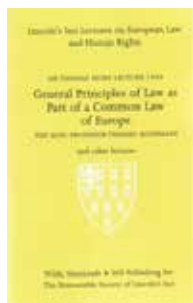
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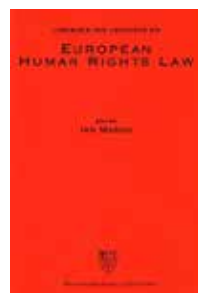
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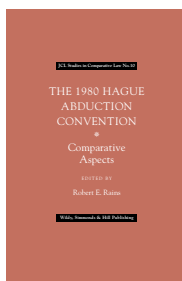
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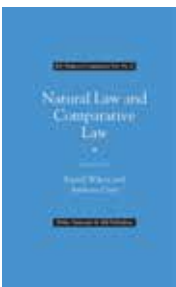
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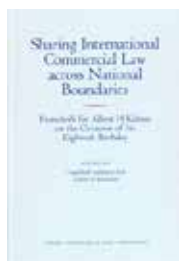
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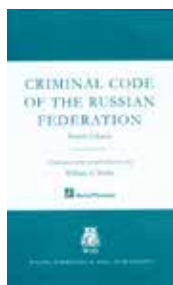
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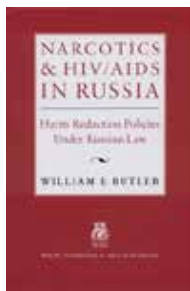
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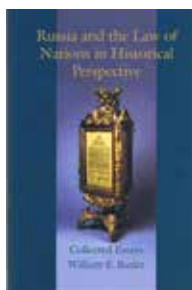
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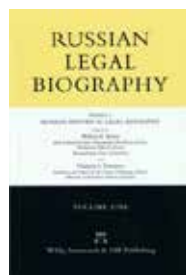
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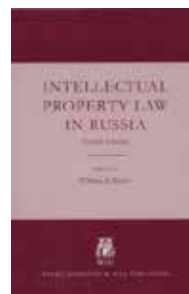
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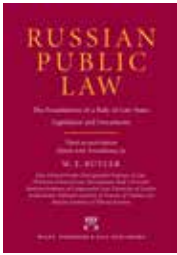
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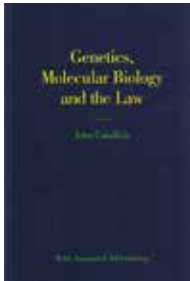
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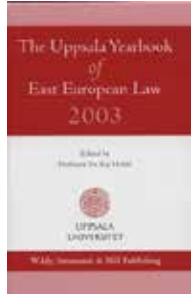
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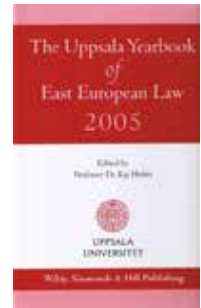
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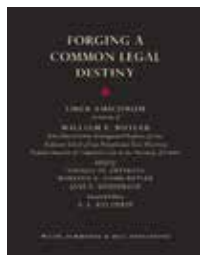
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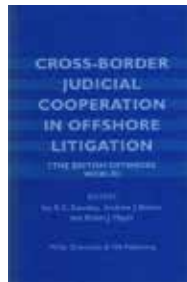
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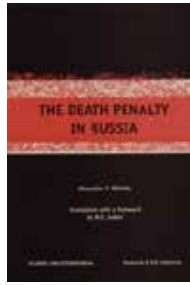
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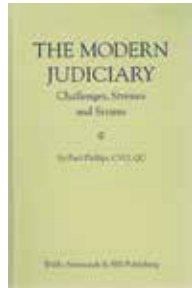
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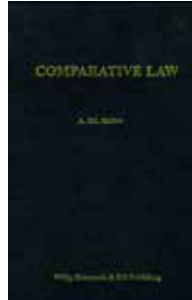
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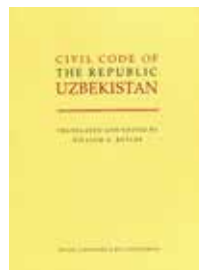
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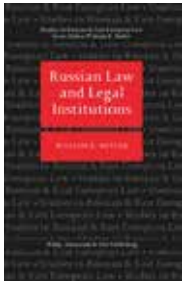
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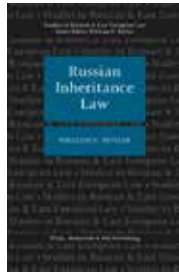
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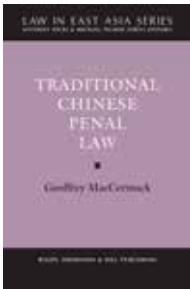


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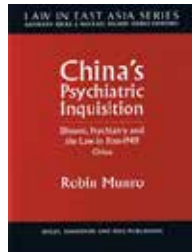


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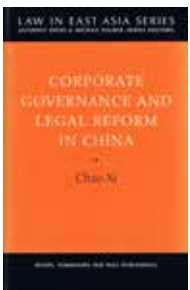
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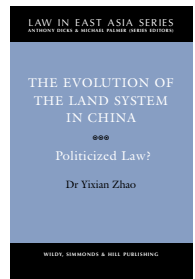
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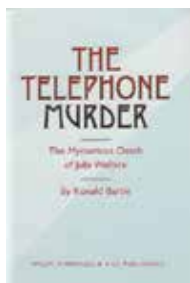
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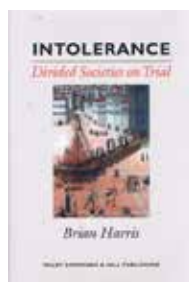
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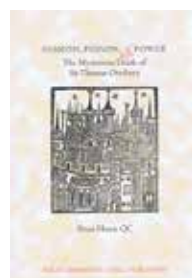
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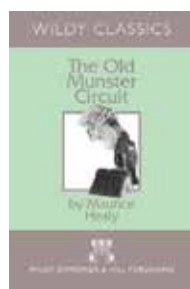
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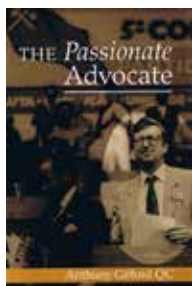


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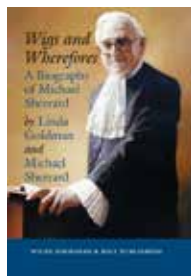
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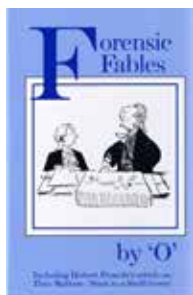
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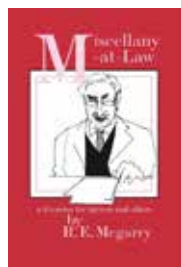
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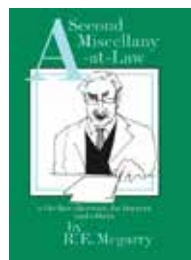
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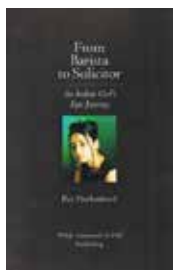
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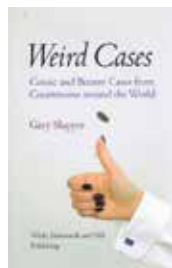
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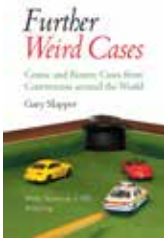
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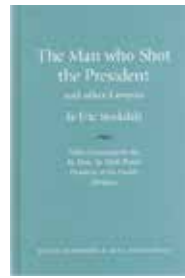
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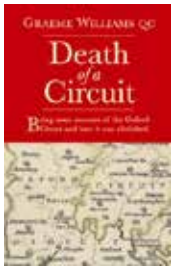
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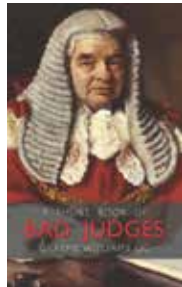
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