

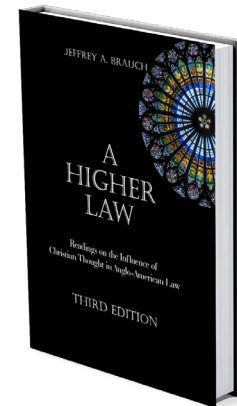
# A Higher Law: Readings on the Influence of Christian Thought in Anglo-American Law

Third Edition

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- Develop a deep understanding of the Christian influence on American law
- Become familiar with the most important legal thinkers and philosophies that have shaped American law today
- Updated readings and expanded chapters allow readers to apply various legal philosophies to important cultural trends and pressing issues of the day
- Perfect for pre-law and law students, or any lawyer with an interest in legal philosophy and rights issues



## About This Title

This third edition continues to further the quest to look beyond legal rules and institutions to the legal philosophies that shaped them. It includes excerpts from books, articles, and cases written by some of the greatest minds to have shaped our legal system. Several chapters have updated readings that address important cultural trends. For example, the discussion of human responsibility and criminal guilt includes a focus on the impact of post-traumatic stress disorder on large numbers of service members returning from Iraq and Afghanistan. Similarly, the chapter on critical race theory has been updated to highlight the debate on race relations that has occurred since the 2012 shooting of black teenager Trayvon Martin and the beginning of the Black Lives Matter movement. Rights—whether constitutional or human—play a bigger role than ever in public discussion and courtrooms. Thus, coverage of such rights has grown to include recent and high-profile cases. Finally, one chapter is wholly new, containing readings from a wide variety of perspectives on the use of biotechnologies that can alter the human genome for generations to come.

## About the Author

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