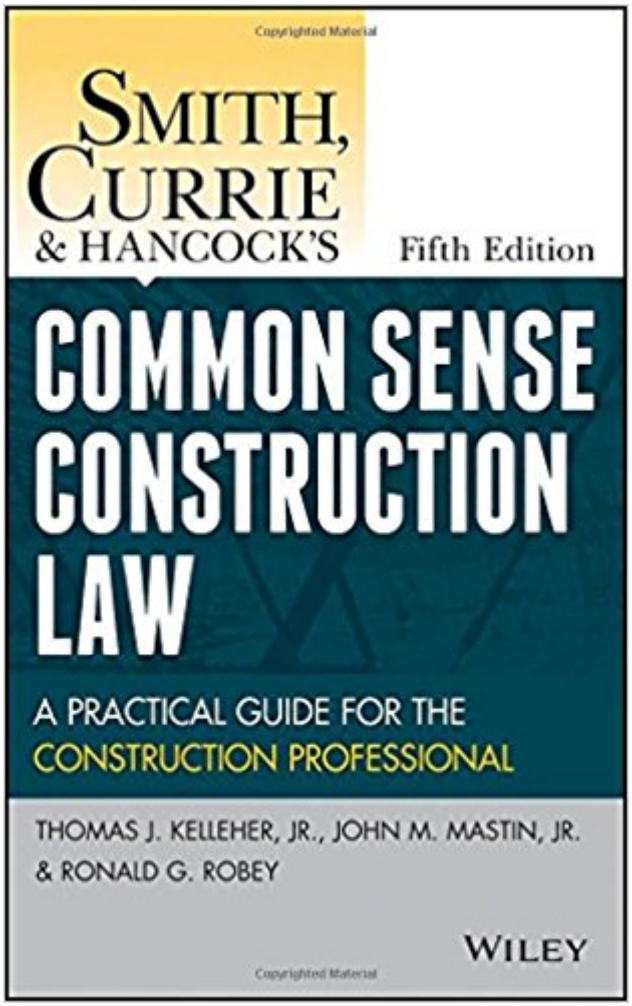
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Teaches clearly and insightfully the topic of construction law

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This is an essential text for those in the field. And, this updated version is no exception. Therefore, if you are operating from an older text, it may be time to upgrade (especially if you are back in the third or fourth edition).Now, if this is your first time purchasing Common Sense Construction Law, do know that the text "is about much more than just preparing claims and resolving disputes ... it seeks to address practical steps to avoid pitfalls whether the project is performed domestically or internationally." By all means, this text strives to assist the reader in AVOIDING lawsuits. (And, in this sense, Common Sense Construction Law is pretty indispensable).There are more positives to this text than one can even beginning to list. Foremost, this text is intensely edited by a multitude of professionals. This should inspire confidence (as should the fact that this is now on its fifth edition). The text is heavily cited (to assure accuracy and to provide further reference). Likewise, the text strives to remain accessible to a layperson. It is as jargon-free as the topic allows. And, to its credit, as I read, I found the writing extraordinarily clear and concise.Understand that this text is not a substitute for an attorney. This is a tool and can provide extremely valuable guidance, but under no circumstances should it be approached as a potential surrogate. With this in-mind, investing in this text (even though it is expensive) can prevent considerably more expensive incidents. By all means, it is well worth your time and the monetary expense.

The Common Sense Construction Law is a practical, layman’s guide to construction law and regulations that affect the construction industry professionals. This latest edition offers up-to-date information and knowledge they’ll need to avoid legal surprises and gain a competitive edge. It’s written in a jargon-free language that translates oftentimes confusing theories, principles, rules and regulations into easy-to-understand, layman’s English.This book covers a wide variety of legal topics and questions surrounding the construction industry. It is organized into two dozen main topics that you can reference easily for your particular needs. The book also comes with an unique registration code to unlock additional contents on the companion website.This comprehensive

reference guide is essential for anyone engaged in construction. In addition to helping you gain a sound understanding of construction law in general, it also offers you practical guidance to avoid costly legal disputes and lawsuits. It is not a substitute for an attorney. You'll still need one for legal consultation. Nevertheless, this book serves as an invaluable guide to help you understand the legal aspect of your construction projects and avoid potentially costly legal problems in the first place.

This is a very thorough reference guide to legal matters relating to construction. Anyone working in the construction field, or who employs anyone in the building trades would find this volume quite useful. Each topic is presented clearly, and explained in some depth. At the end of each chapter there is a handy summary of the main points laid out in an easy to read format. Additionally there is an index to facilitate looking up relevant topics.Excellent as this guide is it is certainly not a substitute for true legal advice but it certainly does help the layman ask intelligent questions and to understand the answers given by legal counsel.

Whether you're a family, business or organization which is adding on, renovating or building new construction, I highly recommend Common Sense Construction Law. From A to Z the topics are thoroughly covered to an awareness level including alternate dispute resolution (surprised me anyway). Best to initially read and skim PRIOR to signing that contract, keep it handy as an invaluable reference through all stages of the construction process.

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