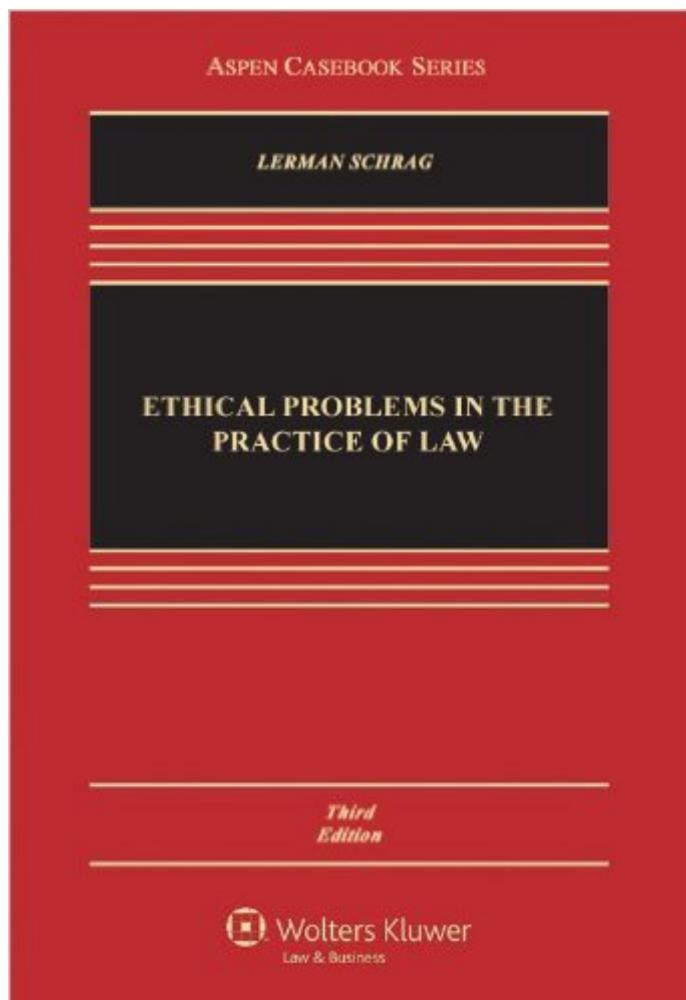


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# Ethical Problems In The Practice Of Law, 3rd Edition (Aspen Casebook)



## Synopsis

Ethical Problems in the Practice of Law is a problem-based casebook sure to generate lively class discussion. Using real-world problems and cases, with emphasis on issues students are likely to face in their early years of practice, it places students in the lawyers position to engage in simultaneous strategic and ethical analysis of each problem. The Third Edition includes hundreds of new examples and introduces new material on current ethical issues. Outsourcing, contract lawyers, Internet advertising, and nonlawyer ownership of law firms are given thorough treatment, as are recent changes in rules and Justice Department policies. Sure to stimulate discussion, the companion website features a new recorded interview with the Guantanamo defense lawyer ordered to represent an unwilling defendant. Hallmark features: Co-authors Lerman and Schrag bring a broad range of teaching, consulting, clinical research, and policy-making experience to this problem-based text. Contemporary approach succinctly covers all essential topics through clear, thorough exposition. Challenging problems compel students to engage in simultaneous strategic and ethical analysis. Comprehensive presentation of all ethics and professional responsibility topics and issues, including: Confidentiality and conflicts. Ethics rules. Legal malpractice. Disqualification. Criminal law. Wrongful discharge. Pertinent constitutional law. Lawyer's public responsibilities. More than 70 compelling, detailed problems, based on real cases and real-life situations that students are likely to experience during their first years of practice. Famous and less well-known cases are the basis of most of the problems, placing students in the lawyer's role. Recent and projected changes in the legal profession, including those resulting from the 2008 financial collapse. Distinct graphical elements appear throughout to help students see the relationships among parts of rules or theories.

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On one hand, the other reviewers are absolutely correct that this book is deeply unhelpful, overpriced, and symptomatic of everything that is wrong with the contemporary textbook market. The enormous typeface and the many cartoons leads one to believe this is the only legal ethics book on the market expressly designed for the 6 year old market. On the other hand, page 601 has a cartoon that includes a clearly visible female nipple. So three stars overall.

Total waste. Nothing has changed in the 3rd edition, except the fact that they have added more cartoons. Total waste my Prof. even uses the 2nd edition. I definitely got ripped off and I wish I would have bought the 2nd edition instead :(

"You're client is poor. So poor, in fact, that she can't afford a home. She lives on the street. She also can't afford food because her ex beat her so badly she can't work. And he stole all her money. And she is dying from a rare illness that came from Africa. You see her in a burning building and she's going to die unless you do something. Help her, give her water. She's dying. AHH FIRE. OMG DO SOMETHING. So you give her water. And then you get disbarred because the model rules say not to give your client free stuff."That's what I took away from my ethics class. Don't take ethics.

Hello, this book is the worst. It has 75 really great hypotheticals. The hypotheticals are based on fact patterns from real cases. The hypotheticals are not useful because they don't identify their corresponding underlying cases, making it somewhat impossible for the independent student to arrive at conclusions without the professor's assistance. So, what ends up happening is, you analyze the hypothetical, arrive at a conclusion, go to class, participate, and the professor simply winds up telling you that you're wrong because in the underlying case things went a certain way. To me, this set up just lets the professor impermissibly hide the ball.

Pros: the problems in the book can be entertaining and are useful for applying the law to. Cons: At least half of the book is unnecessary fluff. I learned very little from the book that I couldn't have learned by simply reading the Model Rules and comments.

Book was in very sad shape - cover coming off, binding falling apart, large portion of the upper part of the first 100 or so pages warped from water exposure. :( Not sure if any pages are missing, but so far I have not run into any missing material (but then again, my reading assignments have not covered every single page) Given the condition of the binding, it would not surprise me if there were some missing pages.

I had to use this text in my Professional Responsibility course, and I think I may have read 10 pages of it. It is useless. A few decent hypos that can be entertaining, like the other reviewer said, but that's it. In fact, our exam was 'open book' and I didn't even bring this thing with me. I printed out the model rules (free on the ABA website), which is all you really need.

This book is funny. Of course, it says a lot that we have to have this book. Get the print version and will sell you the Kindle version for \$3 which is very worth it.

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