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create socially perverse incentives in the end attorneys support inefficient policies that preserve and enhance their own wealth to the detriment of the general population to fix this situation the authors propose a novel solution deregulation of the legal profession lowering the barriers to entry will force lawyers to compete more intensely with each other and to face competition from nonlawyers and firms that are not owned and managed by lawyers the book provides a much needed analysis of why legal costs are so high and how they can be reduced without sacrificing the quality of legal services a legal reference for school nurses school attorneys school board members and administrators to assist in impact of the myraid of state and federal laws and regulations sharing expert insights on how the profession of law is changing in fundamental ways and how it will impact lawyers the authors of this thought provoking 20 chapter book advance and sharpen the dialogue within the bar about accelerating disruption of the legal services marketplace and how best to adapt the collected wisdom in this book will help individual lawyers law firms law students and bar associations better plan for their own futures in the law two thousand years ago seneca described advocates not as seekers of truth but as accessories to injustice smothered by their prosperity this unflattering assessment has only worsened over time the vast majority of americans now perceive lawyers as arrogant unaffordable hired guns whose ethical practices rank just slightly above those of used car salesmen in this penetrating new book deborah l rhode goes beyond the commonplace attacks on lawyers to provide the first systematic study of the structural problems confronting the legal profession a past president of the association of american law schools and senior counsel for the house judiciary committee during clinton s impeachment proceedings rhode brings an insider s knowledge to the labyrinthine complexities of how the law works or fails to work for most americans and often for lawyers themselves she sheds much light on problems with the adversary system the commercialization of practice bar disciplinary processes race and gender bias and legal education she argues convincingly that the bar s current self regulation must be replaced by oversight structures that would put the public s interests above those of the profession she insists that legal education become more flexible by offering less expensive degree programs that would prepare paralegals to provide much needed low cost assistance most important she calls for a return to ethical standards that put public service above economic self interest elegantly written and touching on such high profile cases as the o j simpson trial and the starr investigation in the interests of justice uncovers fundamental flaws in our legal system and proposes sweeping reforms in the compassionate lawyer the author calls for lawyers to move toward compassion instead of combat she lays out seven areas for lawyers to examine their lives and their legal practices this book gives hope to former or recovering lawyers to return to the profession and practice law authentically it also provides insight for consumers of legal services to know what to look for in a lawyer an innovative solution to teaching english legal system and legal skills this book provides a holistic and contextual understanding of legal systems and skills both academic and professional to underpin and enhance legal studies providing a foundation for graduate employability both within and outside the legal profession sooner or later everyone will need a lawyer when that time comes this book will become the best investment you ve ever made it s a certainty that someday in the lives of us all we ll have the need for legal services my guidebook provides the reader with the practical information they should have when that day arrives the concept is that the average person has been kept in the dark far too long about the truth of how lawyers operate and interact with clients and those in search of an attorney there is a shroud of mystery surrounding lawyers that fosters misinformation prejudice distrust and confusion the aim of this book is to penetrate this shroud and solve the mystery to accomplish this purpose i inform educate and illustrate what clients need to know armed with new found knowledge and awareness the layperson

will be able to approach the attorney client relationship with confidence rather than distrust and apprehension this in turn will empower them to challenge the lawyer in ways that will save money time and disappointment clients have been exploited by lawyers in a multitude of ways that have come to be accepted as the norm it is my mission to expose the imbalance in the attorney client relationship i suggest ways and means for the client to assert his rights and restore equilibrium to the relationship a secondary theme of this book is to expose the under belly of the legal profession and the culture of greed that has come to identify lawyers what started with the exorbitant fees of big law firms has spilled over to smaller firms as well as sole practitioners attorney fees have increased to the point where they bear no reasonable relationship to the value of the service performed this abuse is known and tolerated by the organized bar how do lawyers resolve ethical dilemmas in the everyday context of their practice what are the issues that commonly arise and how do lawyers determine the best ways to resolve them until recently efforts to answer these questions have focused primarily on rules and legal doctrine rather than the real life situations lawyers face in legal practice the first book to present empirical research on ethical decision making in a variety of practice contexts including corporate litigation securities immigration and divorce law lawyers in practice fills a substantial gap in the existing literature following an introduction emphasizing the increasing importance of understanding context in the legal profession contributions focus on ethical dilemmas ranging from relatively narrow ethical issues to broader problems of professionalism including the prosecutor s obligation to disclose evidence the management of conflicts of interest and loyalty to clients and the court each chapter details the resolution of a dilemma from the practitioner s point of view that is in turn set within a particular community of practice timely and practical this book should be required reading for law students as well as students and scholars of law and society this detailed portrait of american lawyers traces their efforts to professionalize during the last 100 years by erecting barriers to control the quality and quantity of entrants abel describes the rise and fall of restrictive practices that dampened competition among lawyers and with outsiders he shows how lawyers simultaneously sought to increase access to justice while stimulating demand for services and their efforts to regulate themselves while forestalling external control data on income and status illuminate the success of these efforts charting the dramatic transformation of the profession over the last two decades abel documents the growing number and importance of lawyers employed outside private practice in business and government as judges and teachers and the displacement of corporate clients they serve noting the complexity of matching ever more diverse entrants with more stratified roles he depicts the mechanism that law schools and employers have created to allocate graduates to jobs and socialize them within their new environments abel concludes with critical reflections on possible and desirable futures for the legal profession shows lawyers how to manage their practices in a more business like manner it explains how to determine both personal and law firm goals an innovative solution to teaching english legal system and legal skills legal systems and skills provides a holistic and contextual understanding of legal systems and skills both academic and professional to underpin and enhance legal studies providing a foundation for graduate employability both within and outside the legal profession 1001 legal words you need to know explains and illuminates the most difficult and arcane vocabulary any american has to deal with that of the law this comprehensive but never condescending guide to the language of the american legal system carefully defines and explains every term with a sample sentence and many entries have supplementary notes in addition the book includes a number of quick miniguides to legal troubleshooting that include information on understanding wills trusts and inheritance granting someone the power of attorney understanding contracts what to do if you re sued how to choose a lawyer exploring law school and

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