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Real Lessons From
Hot Coffee & Flying Body Parts

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Entertainment that will make you smarter!

Hot coffee, flying body parts, and how a jury once found that workplace harassment caused an armed robbery. These are hilarious true stories that are supported by actual court records, along with legal analysis explaining in plain English how each court reached its particular result. Learn how evidence is hidden from the jury (lawfully), why an armed robber who is caught red handed will be set free if police don't follow procedure, and why doctors are so obsessive about writing things down.

* This Kindle version also includes hyperlinks to selected court materials.

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Ann says

Well it had lots of legal cases stories in it. If you understood legal terms you probably would understand a lot more of what was written. Me a normal person , it was hard to figure out.
More like telling you legal terms than a story.

Peter says

I really enjoyed this book about the anomalies and twists in US law. The author writes in a clear, concise and humorous way. I read this book as I was going to sleep and found myself still chuckling as I drifted off. On a serious note, I ridiculed the McDonald's decision when an elderly woman was awarded significant damages when she was scalded by coffee. The author sets out the facts in that case and he certainly changed my mind.

Hal Brodsky says

This is a very funny book that is not a crash course in American Law, but a smugly written recap of bizarre cases illustrating a few points of Trial Law. It begins with the lady who burned herself with McDonald's coffee and proceeds to lesser known cases such as thieves who sue their victims, etc. It is rather well done and very amusing.

Morgan Rae says

I'll admit that I don't know a heck of a lot about law, but J. Jones's book hooked me from page one. His writing style is incredibly witty and he knows how to boil down complex law cases into terms that anyone can understand and appreciate. I loved his style of writing and it made the stories very enjoyable and fun to read. I couldn't put it down! More than that, it's hard to believe these are REAL cases. He shed light on some truly fascinating stories and exposes a part of America that opens an interesting dialogue about some of the "loopholes" in our legal system. An important read for anyone who wants to become a lawyer and a hilarious, fun read for anyone who enjoys a little schadenfreude. A must-read!

Debbi Carter says

Fun and funny read!

I have always been interested in the law and in this book, not only do you learn about the law, but you have nearly as much fun as the author must have had. I strongly recommend this book.

deborah trout says

Information you can use

This book informs as well as entertains. Boy, does it entertain. I laughed out loud and learned some things too.

Nimira says

Hilarious

Fabulous job on clarifying the law the best that it can be. No easy task. It's amazing the extent people will go through to get easy money.

Pam Irwin says

This book had me laughing out loud and shaking my head. It was nice to read the true story behind the McDonald's hot coffee lawsuit, poor Stella! The author is irreverent and contemptuous of those abusing our legal system. I appreciated the simplification of the cases examined. I especially enjoyed the lessons learned sections summarizing the outcomes of each case. If you're looking for an interesting, fun read that will make you believe you are a model citizen, this would be a great book for you!

Lisa says

This book was everything I hoped it would be. Absolutely appalling, "with regards to frivolous lawsuits," informative, and at times wonderfully funny! Some people have got some nerve. Who would ever think to put a finger in chili and then try to sue a corporation? Some of these cases were sad, but Mr. Jones injects just the right amount of humor. Seriously good stuff. I hope he continues with these books. Yep, I'd recommend this book and author.

J. Ryan says

If you read the book and you don't spit coffee all over your Kindle at some point, I guarantee a complete refund of your money.*

*This is not a guarantee.

Phil Lawless says

A fun read about some weird cases that have been tried. The author is a lawyer and explains the ins and outs of the relevant law that led to the judgments delivered. There are some sobering results that have occurred. There is a part deux in production that I will probably get.

Brad says

Interesting legal insight

Very interesting collection of real life legal battles. It is great to not only read out the actual process but to also be given an understanding of all of the parts along the way. The sarcasm is greatly appreciated.

Jill says

Very entertaining writing style, A+ in snark. It was interesting to learn the background and facts about highly publicized and/or weird lawsuits. Sometimes what the public - or the jury - gets to hear is only a sliver of the whole truth.

Maurean says

I thoroughly enjoyed this one! A study of some of the craziest cases with an explanation on why they were ruled on as they were. The voice of the author is terribly snarky, and completely hilarious. Entertaining and informative, what more could a reader ask for?!

Cynthia Jones says

Entertaining view of today's crazy state of legal affairs

This first volume of anecdotes discusses a variety of legal topics, including employment, stand-your-ground, theft and other subjects.

The author includes the law involved, and elaborates with examples of situations where the issue occurs in real life. He discusses the various points of view and shares the eventual resolutions, often with humorous commentary and best/worst positions.

A great, alternative perspective of real world law applications.

