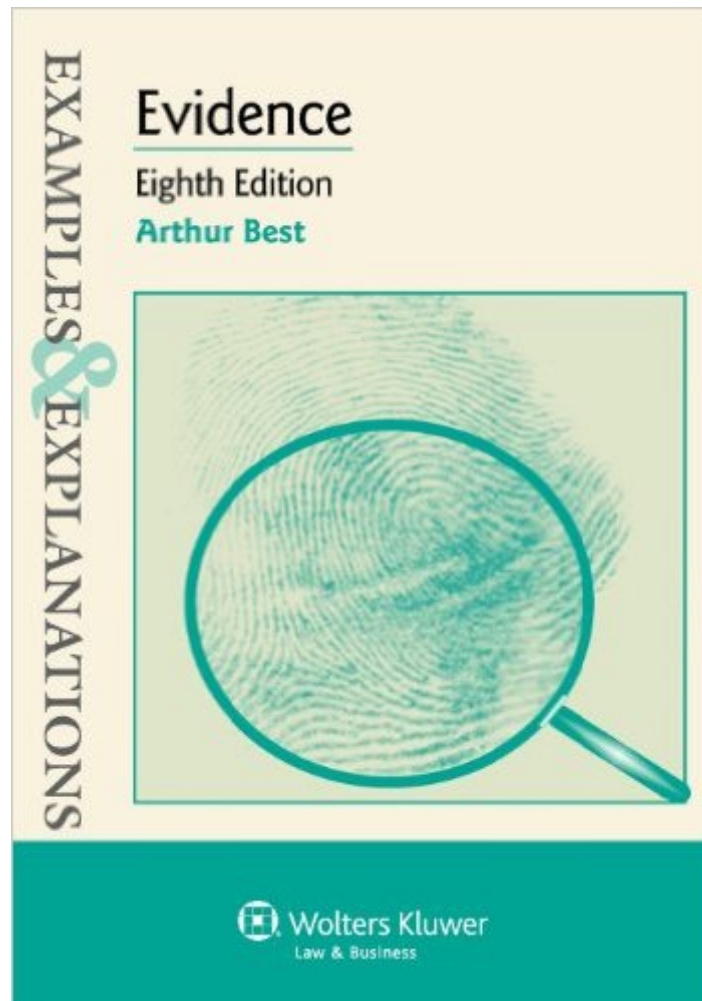


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I purchased this because I wanted a study aid that has narrative explanations and reflects the 2011 revisions to the FRE. As such, this guide basically fulfills its intended purpose. But it really should be much better. As far as the content of the work, like other E&Es the narrative is very wordy and does not do a very good job of distinguishing settled from unsettled law. The question/answer format of the work would be more effective if the explanations focused on black-letter principles and spent fewer words equivocating over how a court might apply unsettled law to the factual ambiguities in the problems presented. The examples/explanation problems are also poorly edited. In at least one case, an explanation is wholly omitted. Explanations sometimes introduce new or have different relevant facts. In other cases, the explanations focus on tangential issues. These problems could be resolved with some simple editing. The good people at Wolters should have someone work the problems before publication. The Kindle version, at least on my machine, does not properly display the text near the left hand margin, cutting off some section numbers, problem/answer numbers, and endnote numbers. Also paragraph indentations are irregular.

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this line of books is actually really helpful to understanding the topic. i purchased the evidence one, torts, and civ pro. i found the civ pro one to be the most helpful. it also had the best explanations. the evidence was still helpful, but not quite as much.

Not rigorous enough. Not enough mixing of rules -- the real test of knowing evidence is when

multiple rules apply to one case, and then you need to know the nuances to answer test questions. This book is a good starter, but not much more than that. Also, I wanted more test questions in this, not enough practice material.

This supplement, combined with Siegal's Evidence, helped me get an A on the hardest final I've ever taken. This supplement helps get a handle on the subject, and Siegal's is great multiple choice (and essay) practice.

This book is a must buy for any law student in evidence. I have purchased the "Example and Explanations" books for Civ Pro, Torts, Contracts, and Real Property. After utilizing these texts for 2 years now, I can honestly say they teach me more about the material and subjects than my teachers in class. If you are struggling with Evidence, which a lot of people do, then this text is well worth the small investment. Plus, a law student can keep these texts for future reference forever because they truly help to explain the subjects to students. I have been using example and explanations books since day 1 of law school and I have yet to be disappointed. The best part of the text are the examples at the end of every chapter.

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