



THE JURISPRUDENCE OF MARRIAGE AND OTHER INTIMATE RELATIONSHIPS

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The culmination of papers from leading scholars from universities all over the world, including Trinity College Dublin, McGill University, Harvard Law School, Boston College and Bar-Ilan University, among others!

The chapters of this work grew out of papers that were originally presented at the Symposium on the Jurisprudence of Marriage and Other Adult Intimate Relationships. The papers from that symposium, which convened at Boston College Law School in March 2009, present the scholarly effort of leading professors from Canada, Great Britain, Israel, and Ireland, as well as the United States, and give evidence that not all developments in these areas involve the clash of ignorant armies. These papers consider various relationship forms in light of basic jurisprudential and social principles, and elevate the dialogue about marriage law and law reform to a new, higher level of discourse.

In three sections, *The Jurisprudence of Marriage and Other Intimate Relationships* focuses on:

Basic Goods; Basic Concerns About Marital Relationships

Implications for the Law

Social, Political and Doctrinal Attributes and Implications

The chapters of this work (view pages 2, 3 and 4 to view a complete overview) consider the conceptual foundations of the institution of conjugal marriage and for other kinds of adult intimate relationships, and explore principles of their legal recognition. As hardly a week passes without some new development regarding the legal meaning of marriage and the regulation of other relationships, the topic of the book is unquestionably timely. The chapters will contribute to the understanding of the topic at hand, and will inform important academic discussions and public policy decisions for years to come.

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