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THE LAW OF SELF DEFENSE

The Indispensable Guide
for the Armed Citizen

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The world is a dangerous place. That is why you're prepared to protect yourself as well as your loved ones. Today arm yourself for the legal fight that happens after an attack. Essential legal concepts are illustrated with interesting, sometimes heart-wrenching, true life examples of people defending themselves, and how their decisions helped, hurt, or even destroyed their case.) to 911, first responders, and detectives. Branca, the renowned expert in self-defense law, teaches you steps to make quick, effective, legally suitable decisions in life-and-death circumstances. His easy-to-understand analysis thoroughly covers the laws and regulations of all fifty states. The first fight is for your life - the second for your liberty. This book, with a foreword by legendary use-of-force expert Massad Ayoob, will teach you the powerful legal truth that shields your daily life, wealth, and independence. Andrew F. Avoid being a victim. Remain safe from both the physical assault and the legal aftermath. This thoroughly updated third edition includes an all new chapter on interacting with the law enforcement, including what to say (or not really say!



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Well done for the lay person who wants to learn how to defend themselves and their families better.. Some of the scenarios listed in the book are sketchy to say the least and others it appears would have been justifiable but weren't based on the technical statutes of that state. I will join with many of the other reviewers and say that this book is a must read for anybody who has any kind of self-defense weapon on their person or within their home. After reading the reserve, I've come to the sober summary that the law doesn't seem to favor the ordinary person who is merely trying to guard themselves. Like he says, carry a gun which means you are hard to eliminate, know the law which means you are hard to convict. This is the case as the legal program, chops up your deadly force encounter, that is measured in secs, into an esoteric educational exercise where the actions of the celebrations are scrutinized at the the nano-second level. You can nearly imagine a panel of historic philosophers, psychologists, and scholars analyzing who is in the right and who is in the incorrect at any provided fraction of another in the timeline of occasions. In our program of justice, such reflection is performed by the police, the DA's workplace, your defense lawyer, and a jury of your peers -- folks who know nothing about the law. The author presents a very sobering view of how the legal system works for those who choose to defend themselves in a violent encounter. Yes, you might have killed the thief, and you may believe that you are right, if the legal system choses to pursue your actions, you will have two outcomes; the price tag of your legal protection as well as your freedom, or, twenty years to life in prison. The author also compares various condition's laws and how they may differ from others - often substantially. The good stuff! Every single shot you fire in self-defense will become evaualted by the DA. Very well thought out and delivered. Three had been deemed self-defense, as the last 3 had been regarded as attempted murder. The defender was convicted on the 3 "bad" photos and got a lifestyle sentence plus 90 years. If you shoot 20 rounds in a self-defense case, you are set for a world of difficulty with the justice program. Therefore, a magazine with 20 rounds is a tale. Lastly, know your state laws. The author goes to great size to compare variations in state law for self-protection. If you're a gun owner, or are considering owning a firearm, buy this book and consider it money well spent. Expecting a "dry" legal text, rather this book is amazingly very interesting to read and leaves one with a far greater understanding of the way the law talks about deadly force by personal citizens, while dispelling common myths. The objective of this book, in my opinion, is to form an effective mental attitude for a self-defense situation. This book really makes you take into account the "un-locks" you might have in order to pull a weapon and utilize it. I found it readable I purchased this book after seeing a confident review on a discussion forum from another discussion board member who took a live course with Andrew. I found it easy to read, entertaining and

informative. I am a lawyer (but no encounter with this section of laws at all since law school years back), and believe that it is well-suited to the general reader, in addition to to attorneys or others more familiar with legal concepts and approaches - the author doesn't oversimplify complex principles, but also makes the topic matter easily approachable. I also quite definitely appreciate that the author maintains a website with up-to-date rules revisions and new case law, along with providing commentary on latest news stories / reports of defensive (or, regrettably, not) firearms use. His motto: you get a gun and that means you won't be easy to kill, buy his book which means you won't be an easy task to convict. I believe this book is an incredibly valuable reference for anyone who owns a firearm that could be found in a self-defense situation, and without hesitation would recommend it to the responsible firearm owner. It is well written, in an informal language, that means it is very easy to comprehend and very difficult to put down once you have started reading it. Andrew Branca has studied the case law in every 50 states and provides you the a reasonably comprehensive review. You get the 5 key ingredients for a successful self-protection case with how different states treat them. The difference between Castle doctrine, Stand your ground and self-defense. In order to prevail, it would seem that each person will need a law level from Harvard, and the ability to slow down time in the event of lethal force circumstance. Andrew Branca and Massad Ayoub will be the leading experts of this type and both are must examine. After reading this reserve, I am planning to take his class as well. Impressive, well written book with considerable information applicable to legal issues associated with lethal force. We are impressed with this reserve. I live in NEW YORK and recently took a concealed carry course (which is required here in front of you concealed carry permit becoming issued). Usually do not rely only on this author's info and demonstration. I didn't know very well what to expect; but, I must say, I am extremely impressed with this publication. Plenty of good material in one place. That said, this book does an extremely fine job of approaching this with the ever present caveat that laws in all jurisdictions are fluid factors. The bulk of the book explores fundamental legal principles involved with deadly force applications, alongside case law discussions applicable to specific historic instances in which deadly force was used. I honestly did not expect that this book would be so captivating. A must read. When it comes to knowing the law with regards to defending yourself, this is actually the book to read. Use it in your legal library. 5 Stars. Good Information. Overall, useful book. Demonstration of information needs function. Better than average. I purchased this book since it was well reviewed. About 3. Holy typo, Batman I'd have given this book a good 4-stars if it weren't for the incredibly distracting and prolific typos littering every single chapter of the reserve. Did the author not hire an editor? And how often it managed to get to a third edition with each

one of these typos still intact? The content itself was great. Each chapter succinctly addresses each primary part of self-defense, with useful advice on the way. Good read Surprisingly easy read. Or something similar to that. you may have killed the bad guy, and you may feel that you are . A must browse for just about any serious gun owner. Mr. Banca describes in obvious detail how the justice system talks about using firearms for self-defense in easy to understand language that sometimes is humorous, and also providing interesting case studies. Focusing on how the legal program can look at a self-defense shooting, what's and isn't regarded acceptable use of deadly force, can be an attention opener for the responsible gun owner. This book is a must read for all gun owners. On several occasions, while reading, I believed that loss of life or serious bodily injury might actually be an excellent option given the real possibility of jail for the rest of my life, a fate that could be assigned by a gun hostile jury or some real error I made in the deadly encounter. Infact, the last third of this book, is a thorough digest of every state rules for a meriad of serif-defense issues. Your life could possibly be dangling from a political string. Read this book before you walk around town with a gun in your belt as well as keeping a gun under your pillow at home. It appears to me that author really has learned his stuff. There were a few cases of material / concepts that were substantially repeated only a paragraph or two from previous, similar instances (*not really* in the chapter summaries which are provided after every chapter) a better job of editing might have addressed, but that did not, IMHO, detract from the overall value of the info presented or the style in which it had been presented and explained. Extremely informative without having to be dry and painful to read. Lifesaving advice Excellent read. Because the writer pointed out, there is a case where a subject fired 6 photos. Very important details for anybody contemplating gun ownership. Halfway through it up to now. As others have stated it is very scary to know at least the solicitor can bankrupt you and your family for protecting yourself or your family.. As well as an overzealous prosecutor which has an agenda. For all of those folks with high capacity periodicals, heed this warning. It really is impossible to create a book that is thorough and explicit on the laws and regulations of concealed carry in all jurisdictions. This guy is a genuine expert. Great resource.



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