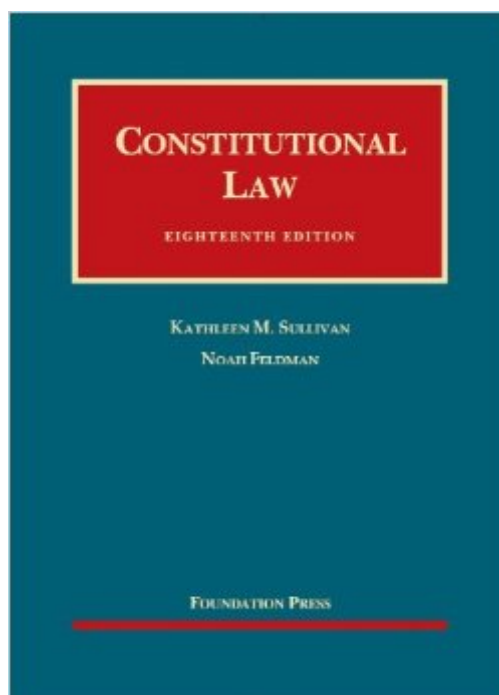


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This book is a literary page turner. I couldn't put it down, filled with such gripping shorts as Madison v Marberry , and Ex parte Quirin. The plot is a complex examination of the ideals of our society through the eyes of the protagonist "U.S. Constitution", and featuring cameos by famed justices Scalia and Marshall. My only criticism of this literary classic is the cliffhanger ending at the year 2015, I am eagerly awaiting the sequel/new edition. And at the end of the day even if you hate it the books weight makes it great for doing curls, and its girth makes it my go to booster seat

This the only con law casebook I've read, so maybe this casebook is great in comparison to others; I wouldn't know. That being said, this casebook is very poorly written and difficult to read, and the worst casebook I've encountered in law school so far. It definitely makes the task of unpacking the reasoning of old constitutional law opinions even more burdensome. If you are forced to read this casebook, you can look forward to paying over \$150 for the privilege of spending hours upon hours breaking your brain trying to understand the point of sentences such as this (found on pp. 109-110): "Even if Congress otherwise might regulate a matter of interstate commerce, should a concern for state sovereignty and autonomy give rise to judicially enforceable affirmative defenses for the states against regulation that would invade their "traditional" or "integral" sovereign functions, "commandeer" their legislative process, or abrogate their sovereign immunity against monetary damages?" I think anyone would agree this sentence is perfectly understandable the very first time you read it, even if you had never taken a class in con law before. Further, I definitely did not spend 11 minutes attempting to decipher this sentence. /sHere's my rewrite: Should a state be allowed to challenge an otherwise lawful federal regulation on interstate commerce if that regulation would: 1) invade the state's "traditional" or "integral" sovereign functions; 2) "commandeer" their legislative process; or 3) expose the state to liability for monetary damages? If you have the option of choosing another text, or at least buying this book secondhand, please do. Don't give the author or publisher of this book your hard-borrowed money!

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