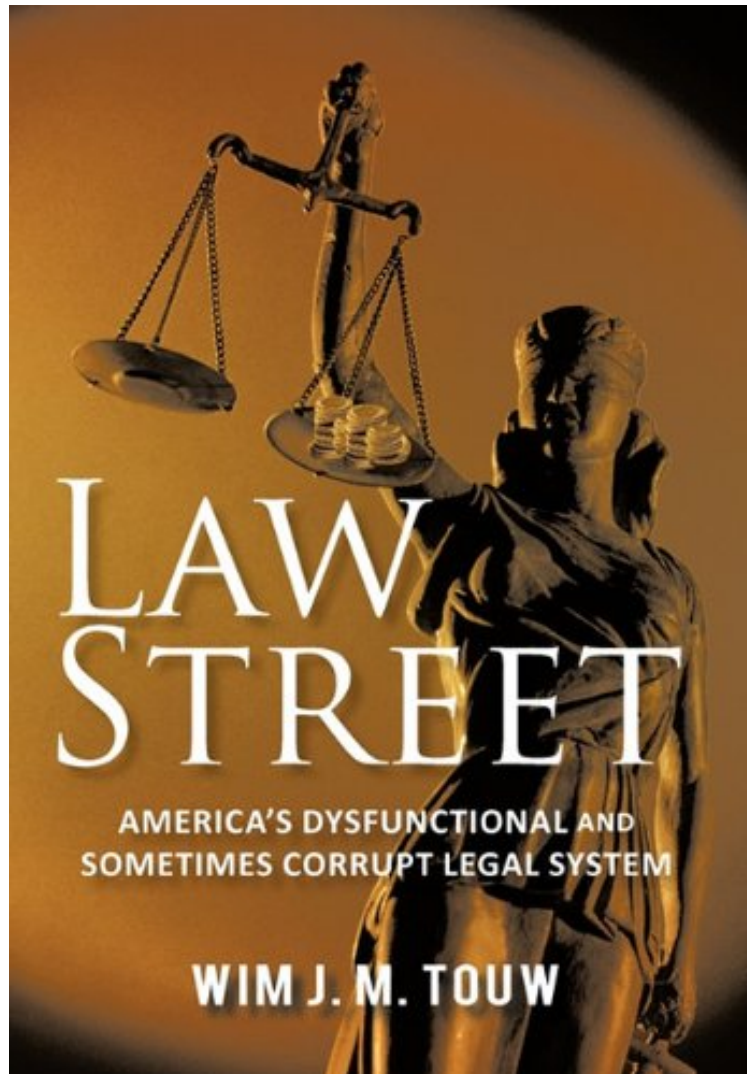


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the book could have covered the dishonest business driving law enforcement and criminal defense attorneys in greater depth, but it is the best source of information that I have seen so far. For the dishonest business driving civil defense attorneys, the book does well. Never buy insurance or have an insurance company attorney defend you in a civil suit until after you have read this book. As the book review states "In his analysis Touw argues that American lawyers have lost their moral and ethical moorings; he provides a unique perspective of how American lawyers have manipulated the British common law system for their own financial benefit or to advance their careers. .... Finally, he examines the criminal law system that puts innocent people in jail and explains in detail how the tort system, the contingency fee, and the loser pays laws have turned the once noble profession of lawyering into a profitable, unregulated business corrupting the legal process. Touw argues that what is good for Wall Street is good for Law Street and explains why American bar associations do not provide proper oversight." "In some ways, a person can almost (and the key word is "almost") sympathize with insurance companies. The insurance companies are businesses seeking to survive in a corrupt legal system with attorneys that have "lost their moral and ethical moorings". Insurance companies are forced to accomplish this through immoral and unethical attorneys in a court system which considers the companies a great source of money. Attorneys and judges maximize their take from the insurance companies while the insurance companies are forced to accept this as a cost of business which is passed on to policy holders. The main way to reduce the costs that insurance companies face in civil suits is to compromise the defense of a policy holder for issues that are not covered by insurance. Therefore, for a multi-faceted civil suit, an insurance policy holder has the plaintiff, the insurance company attorney assigned to his defense, the insurance company itself, and possibly the judge working against him/her on the issues not covered by insurance. After my experience with a civil suit supposedly covered in part by insurance, I just allocate a certain amount of money each month to a savings account. I use this for legal expenses associated with owning property and doing business in the United States. I would say insurance coverage actually has negative value, and buying an insurance policy is at best buying nothing because there is no claim and at worst paying for your own executioner when there is a civil suit. Again, read this book before buying any insurance that purportedly covers legal defense and the liabilities of a civil suit. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. What every American should know about their legal system. By Ken Roza Mr. Touw, in language and logic that is easy for the layman to understand, gives a brief history and comparison of our legal system and that of our European cousins at the start. After that prepare to learn the sad and sometimes shocking truths about our system of justice that has been perverted into a system of business that has forgotten its true purpose. You'll learn more than you may want to know, but need to know, by the time you have finished this book. Occupy Wall Street, balderdash! It should be Occupy Law Street. Remember much of our congress is made of lawyers. This little gem should be standard reading in every high school civics class, and required reading in every law school.

The American legal system is far from perfect. High standards of fairness and equal justice for all are lacking, and conflicts of interest are an integral part of the systems practitioners. In *Law Street*, author Wim J.M. Touw discusses the ills of the American legal system and investigates the roots of its dysfunction. In his analysis Touw argues that American lawyers have lost their moral and ethical moorings; he provides a unique perspective of how American lawyers have manipulated the British common law system for their own financial benefit or to advance their careers. He compares the legal system of the United States with systems in the world's foremost democracies to illustrate how American jurisprudence has strayed from its mission. Finally, he examines the criminal law system that puts innocent people in jail and explains in detail how the tort system, the contingency fee, and the loser pays laws have turned the once noble profession of lawyering into a profitable, unregulated business corrupting the legal process. Touw argues that what is good for Wall Street is good for Law Street and explains why American bar associations do not provide proper oversight. With thorough explanations and examples, *Law Street* tells a story about serious flaws in the American legal system and provides a wake-up call for America's dysfunctional and often corrupt legal system.

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