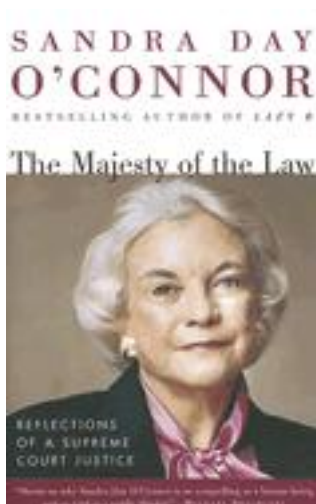


The Majesty Of The Law



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From Publishers Weekly O'Connor, veteran associate justice of the U.S. Supreme Court, distills in this book the scores of talks she has given across the country and around the world in the 20 years since her accession to the high court. O'Connor, the author of the bestselling memoir *Lazy B*, is an enthusiast of the American legal system, reaching back to its origins in the Magna Carta and, later, in the English Privy Council, with its power to invalidate legislation. Declaring federal and state laws unconstitutional, of course, is the core of the Supreme Court's authority over this country's legal system, and O'Connor traces the exercise of that authority from the era of Chief Justice John Marshall to *Brown v. Board of Education*. In other chapters, O'Connor profiles Supreme Court titans such as Holmes and Taft, and reviews the long struggle to gain for women the right to vote. Elsewhere, the author suggests reforms for the jury system, extols the benefits of an independent judiciary and offers a graceful tribute to Justice Thurgood Marshall. Canons of ethics prohibit judges from public comment on controversial matters likely to arise in their future cases, and a Supreme Court justice cannot reveal the dynamics of the Court's deliberations. These rules of discretion pervade

O'Connor's book. Divisive (and provocative) issues such as abortion, the death penalty or affirmative action are addressed only in the broadest possible generalities. Purged of controversy, O'Connor's book is an engagingly written civics lesson, delivering a warm appreciation of legal history and principles but little light on the issues the Supreme Court confronts today.

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A model for women in law: devoted wholeheartedly to work and family with wisdom, sympathy and grace.

学习了不少法律知识

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书评

恕我才疏学浅，经历了四个多月的时间，断断续续地终于啃完此书。当初买书的冲动和后来阅读的乐趣用卓越到货时间链接起来就是个开口向下的抛物线。
看完此书，再次强烈地激发了本人追悔莫及之心---如果再给我一次机会，我一定认真学习英文，尤其是法律英语，要做到就像曾...

挺不错的呀 以前自以为的很多观点发现都是错误的
像以前认为最高法院能够重新审查和推翻每个州法院作出的判决。
事实是包括最高法院在内的联邦法院只有权力决定联邦法律的争议而不是州法律的争议。
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作为美国历史上首位最高法院的女性大法官，她以一位女性法律人的视野思考和探讨了美国的法律制度设计，作者叙述较为平实，比一般翻译过来的作品要好读一些，或许也有翻译的功劳。

毫无疑问,本书是精彩的。尽管在阅读的过程中，有些语句的翻译在我看来有些饶舌。或许是因为有关法律类的书籍总不免有这些倾向，亦或许与作者的Justice身份有关，还可能是因为翻译的问题。不过总体而言，该书的翻译还称的上流畅。虽然涉及到纷繁复杂的法理问题，不过这并不影...

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