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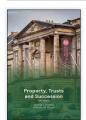
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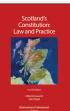
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Scots Criminal Law

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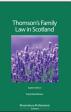
Stephen Bogle and Bobby Lindsay

This highly respected account of the principles of delict in Scots law is the standard introductory textbook on the subject. The seventh edition has been updated throughout and provides a clear and straightforward guide through this difficult area of Scots Law.

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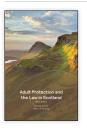
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Adult Protection and the Law in Scotland

Third Edition

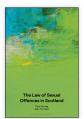
Nicola Smith and Nairn R Young

Adult Protection and the Law in Scotland is an authoritative resource for professionals trying to navigate the complex framework of adult protection law and practice.

The third edition includes coverage of:-

- legislative developments arising from the Mental Health (Scotland) Act 2015 and the Self-directed support (Scotland) Act 2013
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Paul Harvey and Lord Alan Turnbull

This is the only comprehensive reference work providing much needed guidance for practitioners in this complex area of the law of sexual offences.

This title will be the only book on the market to cover not just the Sexual Offences (Scotland) Act 2009, but also The Protection of Children and Prevention of Sexual Offences (Scotland) Act 2005, The Abusive Behaviour and Sexual Harm (Scotland) Act 2016 and The Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act 2018.

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As well as the 2018 Act the book also covers relevant case law and key legislation including:

- Abusive Behaviour and Sexual Harm (Scotland) Act 2016
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Aidan O'Neill KC and David Welsh

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