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Remedies in Australia, The Laws of Australia, Wright & Hepburn (Eds), 2010, Thomson Reuters, ISBN 9780455228136

Remedies are synonymous with civil law. Every case involves a remedy and no understanding of the law can be complete without a thorough understanding of the remedies which lie for the transgression of a legal right.

Remedies can be both legal and equitable in nature. Of course, there are only limited common law remedies, so the vast majority of remedies are equitable in nature.

This book brings together the collective works of a number of pre-eminent academics and practitioners. It provides the busy and time-poor practitioner with a ready reference to the armoury of remedies which may be available to a prospective litigant. I have found the work invaluable in this regard in my own commercial practice.

The works examines declaratory relief, specific performance, rescission, injunctions, compensation and damages, tracing, the taking of accounts and delivery up, cancellation and rectification of contracts. In the case of each remedy, the authors examine the nature of the remedy, the availability of the remedy and the elements of the remedy. This last mentioned feature is particularly important when considering and advising upon the evidence that must be marshalled in support of any cause of action.

This is really a must have addition to a practitioner's library."

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