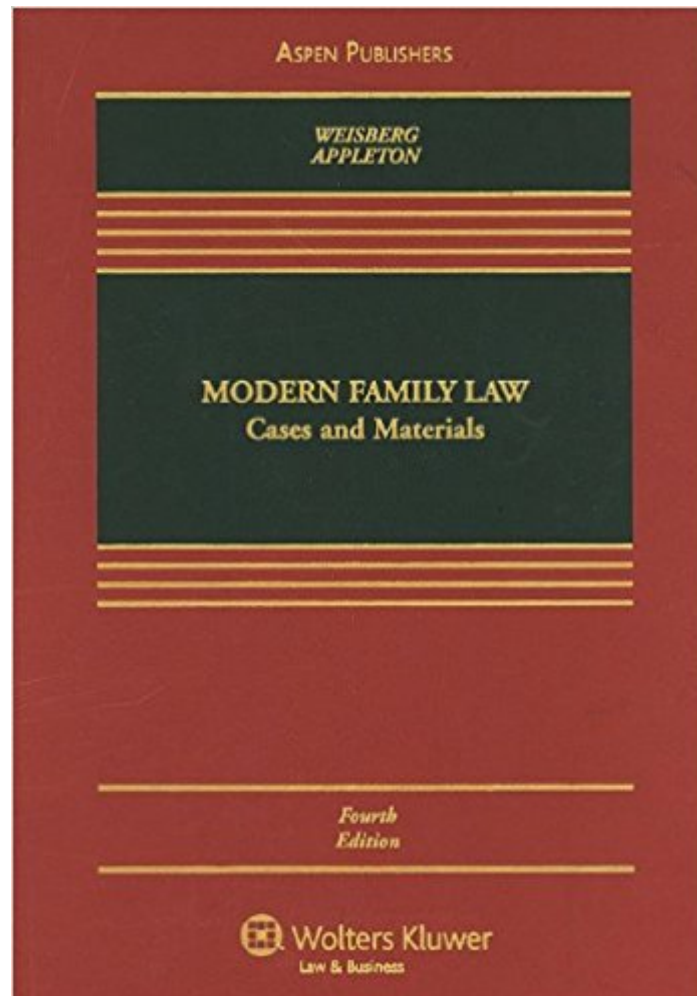




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- Probing coverage that reflects the social diversity of modern families;
- A candid examination of the development of family law in response to the women's movement;
- The children's rights movement;
- The fathers' rights movement;
- Domestic violence;
- Changing sexual mores;
- Nontraditional family forms;
- Developments in reproductive technology;
- Interdisciplinary perspectives throughout the text;
- balanced coverage of contemporary themes and basic family law; a variety of problem exercises, most derived from actual cases and events; flexible organization adapts to shorter or longer courses.

Updated throughout, the Fourth Edition addresses recent developments in the law, addressing:

- Abortion, domestic violence, no-fault divorce reform, parentage, adoption and assisted reproduction;
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- Major new cases, such as *Kerrigan v. Commissioner of Public Health*, holding unconstitutional the exclusion of same-sex couples from the right to marry; *Gonzales v. Carhart*, upholding the constitutionality of the federal Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act; *Lawrence v. Texas*, developments relevant to sexual behavior;
- Recent amendments to FMLA (Family Medical Leave Act) and VAWA (Violence Against Women Act).

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