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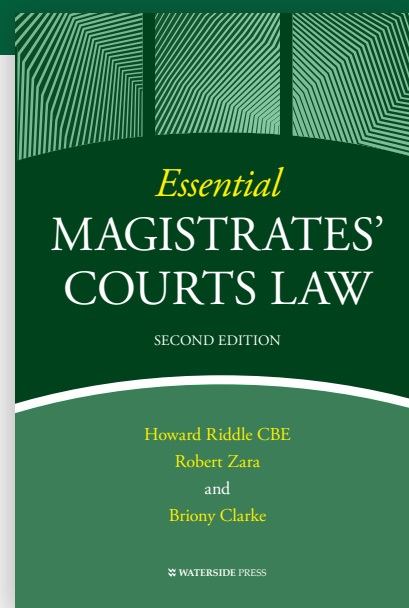
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Now better than ever, this highly acclaimed work has been updated to include developments in the law and practice of the magistrates' court since first published in 2019. Concise and accessible, it distils the law, practice and procedure of these courts in a straightforward way. All in one place it covers their framework and responsibilities and includes key changes in procedure, evidence, sentencing and the fair and efficient expediting of cases.

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- **With a new chapter on protest offences.**

About the Authors

All three authors/editors are leading experts on the law, procedure and practice of magistrates' courts, with extensive

practical experience. **Howard Riddle CBE** was Senior District Judge (Chief Magistrate) for England and Wales; **Robert Zara** is a retired solicitor and former District Judge who worked in a law centre and established his own law firm; and **District Judge Briony Clarke** is a solicitor and District Judge (Magistrates' Courts) based at Westminster Magistrates' Court.

Reviews

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