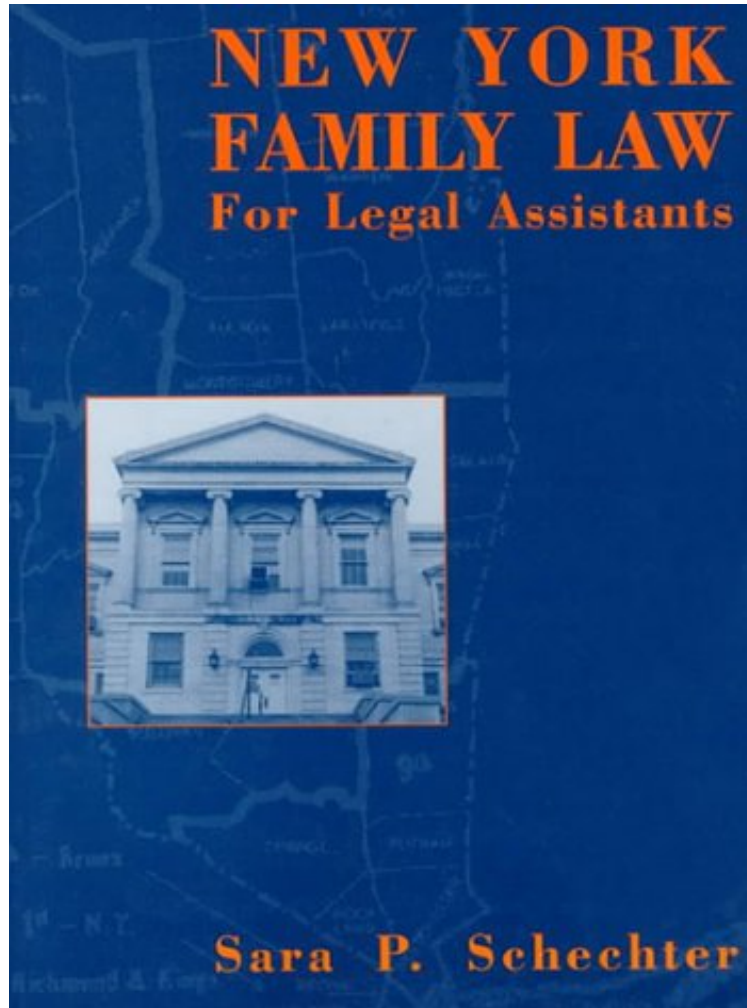


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3 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Not the how-to manual of family court litigation. By Gary TI am a paralegal who has the unfortunate circumstance as to having been thrust into a family law court. I am fairly familiar with legal procedure and standards in civil courts, but fairly lost in family court. I was hoping for a soup to nuts book, with emphasis on the court procedure, down to the nitty gritty pleading level and standards of proof, objects of the case, rules of evidence and a whole lot of things I can't even explain because I haven't come across a good source. Family Court pretends to be just another special jurisdiction civil court, like tax court, or probate court; it pretends that it will solve a legal controversy using the same CPLR rules of procedure as any other NYS court. But it isn't, and it doesn't. It just pretends to in theory, and will try to adhere in some practical sense to the civil procedure

rules. But in reality it is so fundamentally different, there really needs to be another book describing the type of ad hoc law, flexible rules of evidence, and unlimited discretion of the judge that is routine in these courts. It has a schemata, but it is a whole 'nother animal than other civil courts. As the intro says: "New York law is explained and procedure is discussed", and that is true, but this is not an in-the-trenches practical manual. Explanation about the law, and discussion of procedure is not sufficient to actually prosecute or defend your case in court. It is more of an overview, a review of the philosophy and history of family law, and a good underpinning of the law and application in a general sense. It has good case-study reviews, and seeks to teach by roundabout examples. It is a good book for these things, but it does not really tell how to litigate a family court lawsuit. It would be a good bedrock book just prior to the book I am looking for.

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