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Scope

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Surname, Short Title 2016 (n x), 1-12.
Anghie, Imperialism 2005 (n. x), 67.
Benton/Ross, Legal Pluralism 2013 (n. x), 96-98.

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Surname, ‘Short Title’ 2016 (n. x).
Roberts/Mann, ‘Law in Colonial Africa’ 1991 (n. x), 3-58.

Journal Articles
Surname, Short Title 2016 (n x), 1-12.
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Macalister-Smith/Schwietzke, 'Bibliography' 2001 (n. x), 89-96.

Newspaper Articles
Surname, 'Short Title' 2016 (n. x).
Spillius, 'Barack Obama' 2009 (n. x).

Cases
Court or institution, Short name (n. x).
ICJ, Corfu Channel case (n. x), para. 10.
ECHR, Stoll v. Switzerland (n. x), paras 51-53.

Treaties
Treaty (short title), 1984 (year of signature) (n. x).
Convention against Torture, 1984 (n. x), art. 5.

National Laws
Treaty (short title), Date (year of signature) (n. x).
Alien Tort Statute, 1789 (n. x), para. 1.

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Law Cases

Court or Institution, Case Name, Document Type including Date, Source.

ICJ, Corfu Channel case (United Kingdom v. Albania), Judgment of 9 April 1949, ICJ Reports 1949, 4.


WTO, United States — Anti-Dumping and Countervailing Measures on Steel Plate from India, Report of the Panel of 28 June 2002, WT/DS206/R.

ICSID, Biwater Gauff (Tanzania) Limited v. United Republic of Tanzania, ICSID Case No. ARB/05/22, Award of 24 July 2008.

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