

Legal Theory from the Inside Out

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Abstract: This paper is a synthetic recount by Professor Dworkin of his work of a lifetime in the fields of law, political philosophy, moral philosophy, and theory of interpretation – fields which he has always integrated with one another in his research. Professor Dworkin maintains that a theory of law is a special kind of political theory and so what law is cannot be separated completely from what it should be: indeed, it is not possible to identify law without assuming some justification, however weak, in political morality.

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