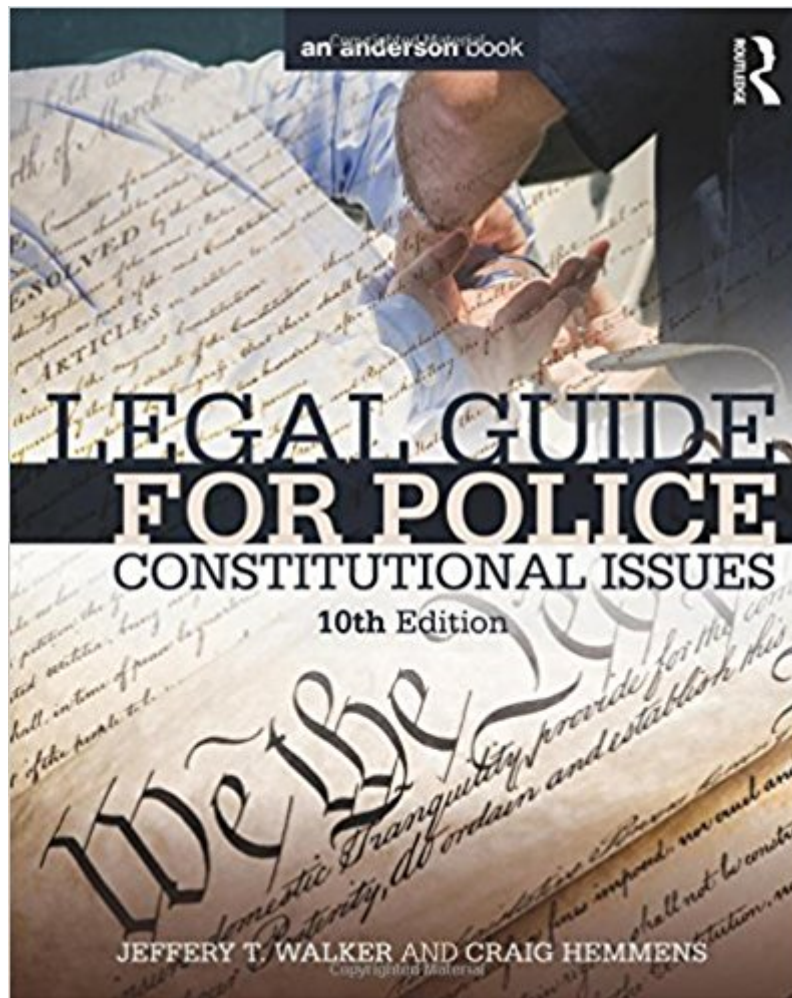




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# Legal Guide For Police: Constitutional Issues



## Synopsis

Legal Guide for Police, 10th edition, is a valuable tool for criminal justice students and law enforcement professionals, bringing them up-to-date with developments in the law of arrest, search and seizure, police authority to detain, questioning suspects and pretrial identification procedures, police power and its limitations, and civil liability of police officers and agencies. Including specific case examples, this revised edition provides the most current information for students and law enforcement professionals needing to develop a modern understanding of the law. Authors Walker and Hemmens have added introductory and summary chapters to this edition, which aid readers in understanding the context, importance, and applicability of the case law. All chapters have been updated to reflect U.S. Supreme Court decisions up to and including the 2013 term of court. Among the important new cases covered are: *Bailey v. United States* (2013), *Berghuis v. Thompkins* (2010), *Kentucky v. King* (2010), *Maryland v. King* (2013), and *Michigan v. Bryant* (2011). A helpful Appendix contains the Bill of Rights and the Fourteenth Amendment, and a Table of Cases lists every case referenced in the text.

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**Legal Guide for Police: Constitutional Issues** is the definitive criminal police procedure book for students. Walker and Hemmens successfully take complicated procedural legal cases and are able to clarify the law in an easily understandable way for students. -Melinda R. Roberts, Criminal Justice, University of Southern Indiana

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Walker and Hemmens have written a well-organized, comprehensive text on the constitutional issues related to policing. The authors' presentation is accessible and relevant for both experienced police officers and students of policing. Their guide blends discussions about legal doctrines and precedents with the real work of policing. -Barbara Belbot, Criminal Justice, University of Houston, Downtown

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