



Contemporary Indigenous Peoples' Legal Rights to Water in the Americas and Australasia

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This special issue of *The Journal of Water Law* brings together a group of experts from several countries to explore Indigenous peoples' rights to water.

In Australia, Canada, New Zealand and other countries, specific legal rights of indigenous peoples are beginning to be more accepted with the passing of legislative directives and the development of recognition jurisprudence.

As examined in this special issue, Indigenous peoples throughout the world are strongly voicing a right to be involved in ownership, management and governance of freshwater. However, as well as property rights, Indigenous peoples are also claiming human and environmental rights to water and this is now an important issue in many countries.

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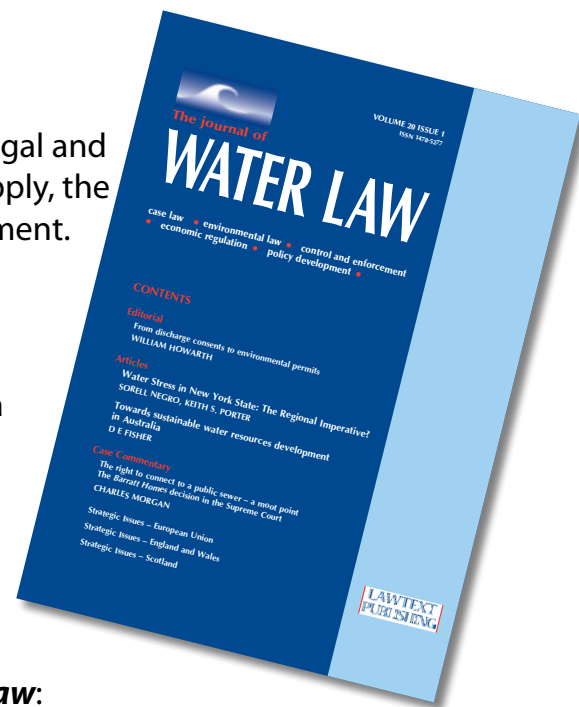
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