

Max Rheinstein's Collected Works Published

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Edited by Professor Dr. Hans G. Leser (MCL '59 from the University of Chicago) of the University of Marburg, the two volumes of Max Rheinstein's *Gesammelte Schriften - Collected Works* were published in June 1979 by J.C.B. Mohr in Tuebingen.

Comprising more than one thousand pages, the *Collected Works* bring together 52 of the most important essays of the late Professor Rheinstein, previously scattered in numerous publications and not easily accessible. The selection and systematization of the included publications were accomplished over a period of years with the active participation and support of the author himself, who gave his approval to the final version of the project in Munich just a few days before his death.

Arranged by the editor according to Rheinstein's main fields of research interests, the included publications appear under the chapter headings of "Jurisprudence and Sociology," "Comparative Law and Common Law (USA)," "Conflict of Laws," and "Family Law." Two literary essays and a bibliography of Max Rheinstein's writings, consisting of 413 individual titles, conclude the work. Most of the included items are contributions to *Festschriften* or collections of essays, articles in periodicals, and article-length book reviews; the great majority (43) of these are in English, the rest in German. A brief "Editor's Introduction" devotes a few pages to Max Rheinstein's career and accomplishments, explains the arrangement of material included, and concludes with the editor's personal thanks to those who helped in making the appearance of these volumes possible.

The publication of Max Rheinstein's *Collected*

Works is an event of great interest to his many former students, friends, and admirers on all continents as well as to the legal profession at large. The editor and publisher are to be congratulated on their tenacity and perseverance in overcoming all difficulties and on the quality of the final product. ■



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