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About this Publication:

Visser & Potgieter Law of Damages is the only South African textbook to focus on the law relating to damages as it extends across a range of legal fields, beginning with the law of delict and contract, but including other areas of common and statutory law. It provides a comprehensive introduction to the principles of the law of damages. The book's approach is to maintain a balance between theory and practice, offering a sound exposition of the principles as well as a consideration of how they are applied in practice. Abundant references to decided cases illustrate the views adopted by the courts, and a very extensive bibliography facilitates further research.

Review of the second edition in 2003 Stellenbosch Law Review 440 at 445:

'This book succeeds in making the South African law of damages much more accessible to students and practitioners. Its outstanding merit is that it offers a thorough and comprehensive compilation of a mass of material on issues arising within the law of damages. ... [T]he law as currently applied is set out clearly, in an accessible manner, with extensive references to relevant cases and material, and this makes the book an extremely valuable source of reference.'

Review of the second edition in 2003 SALJ 903 at 904:

'The book is exceptionally well researched and written. It is also very accessible, with a useful chapter on definition and terminology as well as an extensive bibliography, tables of cases and legislation, and a comprehensive index. The work addresses approximately 2 000 cases, including 180 cases decided since the first edition. While I cannot speak for damages in the area of contract, almost every major case involving damages in the area of delict in the last decade is referred to and given some treatment.'

Contents Include:

- Part 1: General concepts and principles of the law of damages
 - Definition, nature and scope, object, systematics, sources, history and terminology of the law of damages
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 - The nature, assessment, object and form of damages for patrimonial loss
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- Legal practitioners
- Students
- Academics