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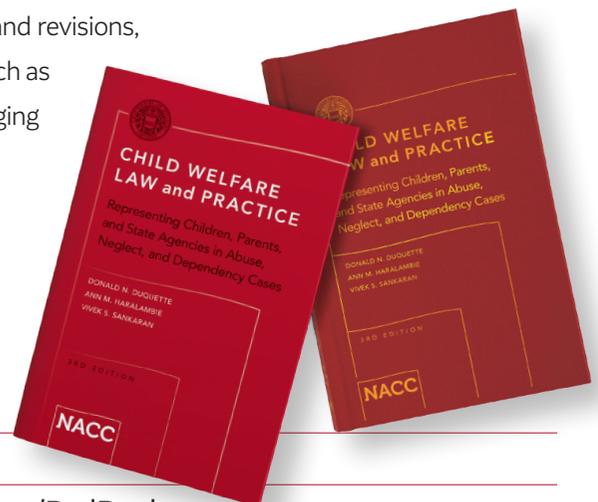
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Child Welfare Law and Practice: Representing Children, Parents, and State Agencies in Abuse, Neglect, and Dependency Cases, 3rd Edition, more commonly known as the Red Book, is the flagship legal treatise in this field. This fundamental, comprehensive publication is an essential day-to-day resource for attorneys in the practice of child welfare law. In addition to being a crucial practice reference and training manual, it also serves as the foundational source and study guide for the Child Welfare Law Specialist (CWLS) certification exam.

Child welfare law is complex and ever-changing, and the practice of representing children, parents, and agencies in dependency cases requires extensive knowledge and skill in both legal and non-legal subjects. *Child Welfare Law and Practice, 3rd Edition* (Duquette, Haralambie, and Sankaran, 2016) captures the wide body of information and expertise that define child welfare law as a specialized field, from legal standards in federal law to techniques for interviewing children to innovations in representing older youth.

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