

I'm really excited to announce the publication of [*Climate Change Law: Concepts & Insights*](#) (Foundation Press 2017), by [Cinnamon Carlarne](#) and me. There are lots of great scholarly tomes on the subject — either monographs or collected volumes. But there really hasn't been anything that provides a comprehensive introduction to climate law as a whole, from international climate agreements to U.S. energy policy to geo-engineering. So far as I know, this is the first book to provide a cogent synthesis of the legal system's response to climate change. The book is written to be accessible to law students and others who are not experts in environmental or energy law.

Climate Change Law provides introductions to U.S. energy regulation, the Clean Air Act, and federalism, as they bear on climate change regulation. The book also covers topics that are directly relevant for the United States but transcend any one country. Those topics include overviews of climate science, the economics of climate change, regulatory tools such as emissions trading, geo-engineering, climate adaptation, and international climate agreements.

Despite all our hard work, Hollywood isn't beating a path to our doors for the movie rights! (Should I be played by Sean Penn? Idris Elba? Woody Allen? — a lot to think about there.)

But I believe deeply in the societal importance of this field of law. Anything that can help introduce more people to this increasingly critical field seems eminently worth doing. So while this may be the first attempt to create a synthesis of the whole field of climate law, I hope it won't be the last.