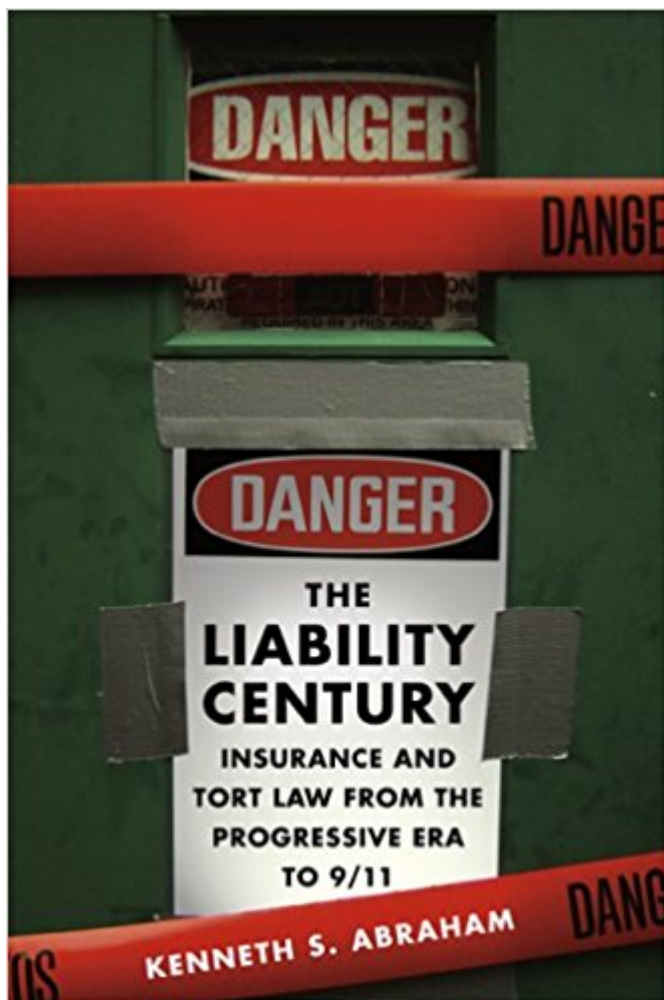


The book was found

# The Liability Century: Insurance And Tort Law From The Progressive Era To 9/11



## Synopsis

Kenneth Abraham explores the development and interdependency of the tort liability regime and the insurance system in the United States during the twentieth century and beyond, including the events of September 11, 2001. From its beginning late in the nineteenth century, the availability of liability insurance led to the creation of new forms of liability, heavily influenced expansion of the liabilities that already existed, and continually promoted increases in the amount of money that was awarded in tort suits. A liability-and-insurance spiral emerged, in which the availability of liability insurance encouraged the imposition of more liability, and, in turn, the imposition of liability encouraged the further spread of insurance. Liability insurance was not merely a source of funding for ever-greater amounts of tort liability. Liability insurers came to dominate tort litigation. They defended lawsuits against their policyholders, and they decided which cases to settle, fight, or appeal. The very idea behind insurance—that spreading losses among large numbers of policyholders is desirable—came to influence the ideology of tort law. To serve the aim of loss spreading, liability had to expand. Today the tort liability and insurance systems constantly interact, and to reform one the role of the other must be fully understood.

## Book Information

Hardcover: 288 pages

Publisher: Harvard University Press (March 31, 2008)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 067402768X

ISBN-13: 978-0674027688

Product Dimensions: 6 x 0.6 x 9.2 inches

Shipping Weight: 1.3 pounds (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: 5.0 out of 5 stars See all reviews (1 customer review)

Best Sellers Rank: #852,019 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #37 in Books > Law > Business > Insurance Law #204 in Books > Law > Business > Torts #1047 in Books > Law > Legal History

## Customer Reviews

This book makes a slam dunk case: you can't understand tort law without understanding liability insurance. And vice versa. Short, accessible chapters that help demystify a complicated subject.

[Download to continue reading...](#)

The Liability Century: Insurance and Tort Law from the Progressive Era to 9/11 Failures and the

Law: Structural Failure, Product Liability and Technical Insurance 5 (Istli Special Publication)  
Insurance: Concepts & Coverage: Property, Liability, Life, Health and Risk Management Human  
Rights and the Protection of Privacy in Tort Law: A Comparison between English and German Law  
(University of Texas at Austin Studies in Foreign and Transnational Law) Law and the Life  
Insurance Contract (The Irwin Series in Financial Planning and Insurance) Sex Ed, Segregated: The  
Quest for Sexual Knowledge in Progressive-Era America (Gender and Race in American History)  
Bureau Men, Settlement Women: Constructing Public Administration in the Progressive Era  
(Studies in Government & Public Policy) Personal Injury Insurance Fraud: The Process of Detection,  
A Primer for Insurance and Legal Professionals The Psychology of Tort Law (Psychology and the  
Law) Precontractual Liability in European Private Law (The Common Core of European Private  
Law) Tort Law and Alternatives: Cases and Materials (University Casebook ) Pharmacy Practice  
and Tort Law Tort Law: Text and Materials Tort Law: Responsibilities and Redress [Connected  
Casebook] Mastering Tort Law (Carolina Academic Press Mastering) Tort Law for Paralegals,  
Fourth Edition (Aspen College) Tort Law Evolving Halakhah: A Progressive Approach to Traditional  
Jewish Law Taking Responsibility: Personal Liability Under Environmental Law (Business and the  
Environment Practitioner Series) The Constitutional Common-Law Trust : Liability Protection Asset  
Protection Income Protection

[Contact Us](#)

[DMCA](#)

[Privacy](#)

[FAQ & Help](#)