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Chapter 20 of this E-book is devoted exclusively to discussion of aboriginal and First Nations domestic violence issues.

Former Superior Court of California Judge Eugene M. Hyman, founder of the first juvenile domestic violence court in the United States which was a recipient of a United Nations Public Service Award, commented:

Domestic violence cases are complex. Frequently families are in multiple court proceedings simultaneously, most commonly, the criminal, child protection, and family courts. This increases the opportunities for multiple and sometimes conflicting orders.

Fortunately, this resource will now make the complex relationship between domestic violence and the court more understandable and accessible while increasing the likelihood of increased victim and child safety and rehabilitation of the defendant.

This book was developed in an electronic format for several reasons. The electronic platform allows frequent updating of new legislation, case law, and research articles and documents. Also, the electronic format has enabled the author to incorporate an embedded library of materials enabling full access to statutes, cases, and on-line domestic violence literature by the use of a “click” of a mouse. This is not possible in a traditional printed treatise.