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Re: The Lackluster Reviews That Lawyers Love to Hate (October 21, 2013)

To the Editor:

Law reviews may well deserve the criticism they are receiving, but the good news is that there are numerous journals that publish articles that explain, discuss and analyze real-world legal developments and that offer timely and practical advice that is prized by subscribers, like corporate counsel, lawyers in private practice and sophisticated business people.

These publications — many of which are still available in print, and online — have articles written primarily by experienced lawyers who practice law or who have practiced it, instead of by people who only teach it. That is crucial to their value, given the need to deal with the growing complexity of federal and state laws, the rapid increase in regulations from an increasing number of regulators, and the sheer volume of court decisions issued every day by judges around the country.

These legal publications avoid a typical law review article's narrow focus, arcane reasoning and use of legalese while providing much more depth than the usual law blog.

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