



LAW AND FAITH IN ARMENIA

Partitioned for most of their history among hostile neighbors, the Armenian people developed innovative approaches to preserving unity and order in their law and governance. In the civil realm the Armenians found ways to adapt to the contrasting legal systems of Byzantium, Persia, and various Islamic and Ottoman overlords. As for church order and Christian discipline, they employed their ecclesiastical canons in a manner entirely different from that attending in the Roman world or in the jurisprudential literature of the Byzantine Empire.

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*The Making of Canon Law in the
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Dr. Abraham Terian

Professor Emeritus of Armenian Theology
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Member, Armenian Academy of Sciences

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*Equality for Christians in the Middle
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Mark L. Movsesian

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