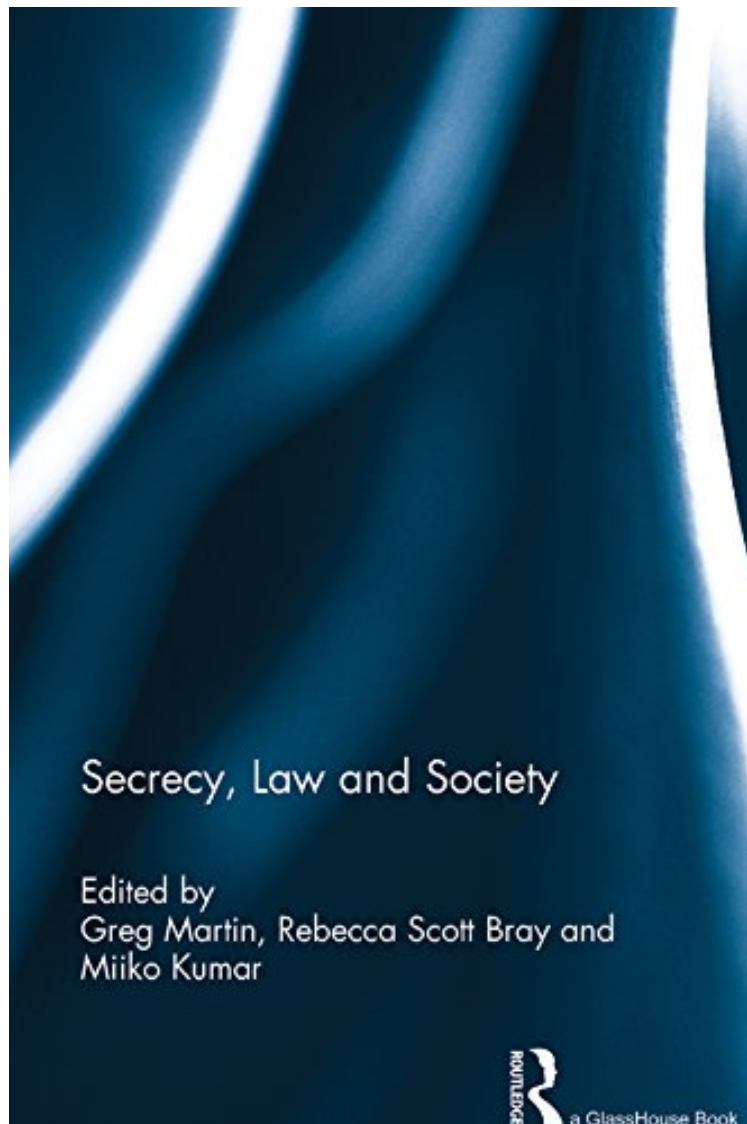


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Thomas Ellington of Wesleyan University, USA that offers an interesting comment by way of background information on secrecy law and its problems in the United States. Although an open society, the United States, he says has kept secrets since the Revolutionary War, which takes us back to 1776 or so. In that war, General Washington maintained a spy ring behind British lines and used rudimentary cryptography and invisible ink. (So that's how they won!) Some 240 years later, we've moved forward to the era of WikiLeaks and Edward Snowden. Either or both will never cease to generate controversy, although most of us will admit that in difficult times, secrets can be vital and equally vital is the need to protect them. Published by the Glasshouse Book imprint of Routledge, Taylor Francis Group, this book is further evidence of the increasing scholarly interest (as well as public interest) in the never-ending tension between the right to privacy and what is frequently referred to as the inalienable right to free speech. A collection of fourteen treatises by as many learned contributors, the book is the result of a workshop held in February 2014 at the University of Sydney, Australia. Most of the contributors are established academics in law at Australian universities joined by colleagues from Britain and the United States. Individually and collectively, they present an interesting cross section of viewpoints on various instances and aspects of secrecy, not only in law, but in other areas of public and social life. The book's contents are grouped under four categories which consider respectively: secrecy and security; open justice and procedural fairness; the right to know (tough one that!) and secrecy and society. Lawyers, scholars and most certainly journalists and feature writers doing research in any of these areas will find this book, with its extensive and meticulous footnoting, a treasure trove of references to follow up as interesting and authoritative avenues for further enquiry. What is especially refreshing about the book is its plain-speaking and quite often hard-hitting approach to the various aspects of this topic about which the individual contributors have strong views. As a contribution to the ongoing debate on the often insoluble problems inherent in issues of secrecy, security, free speech and the law, this book with its diversity of opinion is first class. The publication date is cited as at 2015.

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