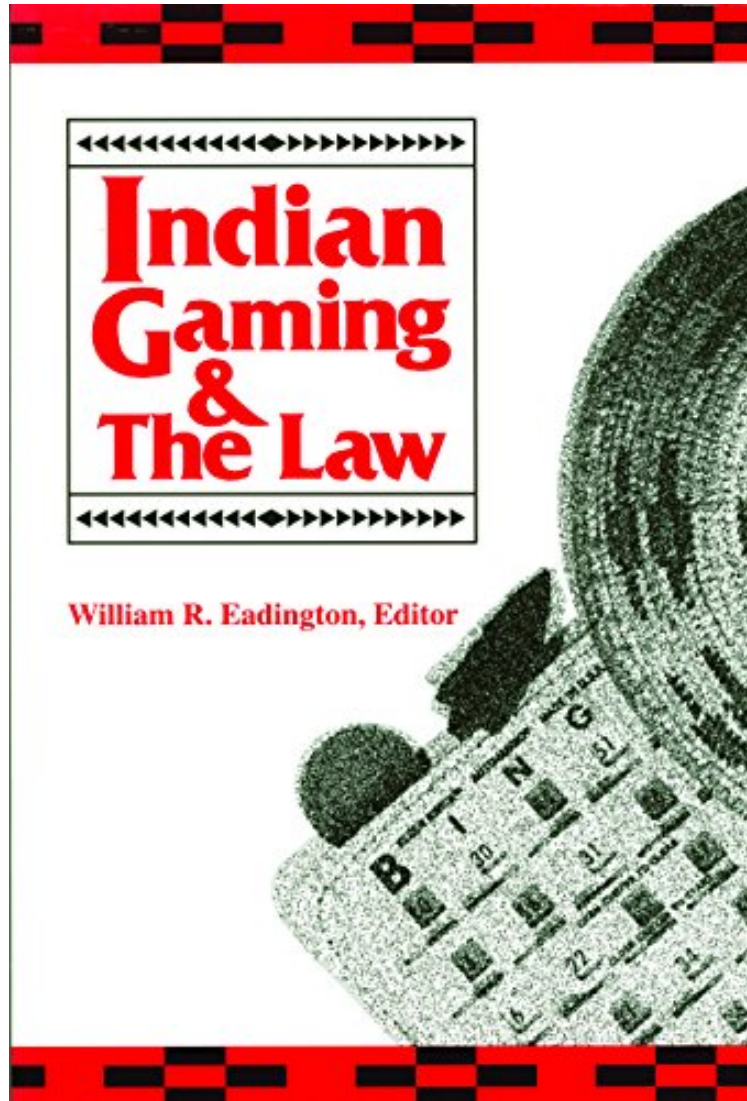


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1999 California (Davis) Compact. In the fifteen years since the passage of the IGRA, Indian gaming, especially casino gaming, has spread significantly. A total of 330 Indian gaming facilities were in operation in 28 states in 2002, generating about \$14.5 billion in gross gaming revenues. This represented about 35% of all casino revenues and about 20% of all legal commercial gaming revenues in the United States for that year. Indian gaming is the fastest growing sector of legal gaming in the country. The story that has unfolded around Indian gaming has been dramatic, controversial, and diverse. Fundamental issues such as Indian sovereignty, defining what is a gaming device, and the relationships of tribal governments to state and federal government have been revisited time and again. Various Supreme Court rulings have clouded public policy issues surrounding Indian gaming. Congress has still not revisited the 1988 Act, in spite of the Act's perceived weaknesses and shortcomings. *Indian Gaming the Law* offers a snapshot of the attitudes, projections, predictions, fears, and assessments that prevailed in the early discussions of what Indian gaming might do for and to tribes. Distributed for the Institute for the Study of Gambling.

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