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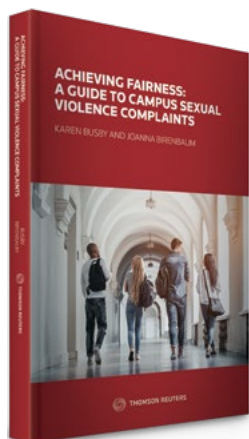
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Anyone drawn into a formal sexual violence complaint faces a steep learning curve. You may be called upon to determine whether interim measures should be imposed; whether complaints can proceed in tandem with criminal charges; how to balance privacy and confidentiality with demands for accountability and transparency; whether a report of sexual violence is credible; and what sanctions or remedial actions are appropriate. All the while, decision-makers must ensure that the procedures used are fair, efficient, and bias-free.

**Achieving Fairness : A Guide to Campus Sexual Violence Complaints** is the only work of its kind in Canada that provides a one-stop reference for lawyers and non-lawyers alike. You'll be guided through the procedural, evidentiary, substantive, and discretionary legal issues that can arise at various stages in a complaint-based sexual violence process involving student respondents.

#### Simplifies complex topics

- Sexual violence policies are difficult to write. Policy drafters will find the book's comparative analysis of the text of policies from across the country invaluable.
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