

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

Many books has been produced by different legal experts in the world, that discuss “ Law and Development”; however, with this work I tried to examine the issues of “Law and Development”, especially in Indonesia, by adopting a somewhat different approach from one commonly used so far.

Many writings on “Law and Development” focus their attention to the perspective of “Business Law”, largely using the “Economic Law” paradigm. As an expert of sociology of law, I focused my study, in this book, on the juridic-socio-political perspective; and I took more advantages from Lawrence M. Friedman’s, Donald Black’s as well as Charles Sampford’ sociological concepts. Therefore, readers who have been accustomed to examine the issues “Law and Development” with the “Law and Economic” paradigm are expected, through my work, to enrich their insights with the new perspective.

I preferred to largely use Lawrence M. Friedman’s, Donald Black’s and Charles Sampford’s concepts to analyze the issues of “ Law and Development” in contemporary Indonesia, because, in my opinion, the present condition of Indonesia was suitably relevant to be explained with their concepts.

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