

EDITORIAL

■ With the title *Current tendencies of Civil and Family law in Spanish America*, this new edition of IUS Magazine presents academic studies that exemplify the mainstreaming that characterizes civil rights through its different matters, included in family, consumer and contracts law, and certain rights relating to personality such as the right to honor and Internet applications, or women's right to work and possession as a real right.

The authors develop different thematic axes, connected by the matter they devote to, a large number of them in constitutional dimension, which is transcendent because experts in Civil Rights tend to speak about law from the chapter of the Civil Code, denying a reality, not at all novel, of the certainty to interpret and apply law from the Constitution.

In addition, there are included articles that reflect –in general scope– the quandaries law faces these days due to the need of giving answers to asymmetries between family and heredity, as interrelated legal institutions. These have been perpetually not attuned in past decades given the stiffness of inheritance laws, opposed to certain “revival” of familiar nature, either to institutions in continuous eruption as divorce –known but still very interesting– that have lead legislators to find ways of allowing the transit of marriage to its dissolution through less tortuous or searing channels today, without smirching protection to minors or legal disabled adults.

When it comes to Civil Rights, it's impossible to ignore –perhaps we should have started with them– the studies we present here about person; or the always debated topic of women's reproductive rights and protection of the unborn child as possible struggle of opposites.

These studies undoubtedly highlight the vitality of Civil and Family Rights nowadays. Over time, this branch of law has proven effective to protect people, *raison d'être* of its existence and reason why today it is still the pilaster sustaining the inexhaustible arsenal of legal knowledge and of countless solutions to the most improbable situations lawyers have to solve every day. ■