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Abstract

GLOBAL ASPECTS OF THE DISCUSSION OF THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE STATE AND THE CHURCH IN LEGAL HISTORY

In the paper, the author provides a global overview of the relationship between the state and church from the perspective of legal history. He particularly pays attention to the distinction between the East and West with regard to this relationship. Central to his interests is the specific nature of the relationship between the state and church in Byzantium. In Byzantium, this issue was reflected in the rights, obligations, and mutual relationship of the Byzantine Tzar and the Patriarch of Constantinople.

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