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- 1. The book "Unwritten Law. Anthropology of Law" explores the phenomenon of the so-called "legal nihilism", which is widely represented both in the East and Russia. Its essence lies in the fact that the daily lives of citizens are regulated not actually state law, and the "unwritten laws". We study the causes and identify mechanisms of functioning of the unwritten laws in traditional and modern society. This phenomenon is studied in the framework of anthropology of law (legal anthropology), which is the theoretical basis of the concept of legal pluralism. It denies the Eurocentric view of the law as state legislation. The object of study is clarified, a new conceptual-categorical apparatus which is designed to reconcile the views of lawyers and anthropologists on the essence the phenomenon of the "right" is proposed. We study the origins of the methodological differences concerning the phenomenon of law on the part of these disciplines. The book also provides information on the basics of religious law: Muslim, Hindu, Orthodox legislation, Confucian Asian legal ideas. The work is interdisciplinary in nature and may be of interest not only for anthropologists and lawyers, and cultural scientists, anthropologists, political scientists.
- 2. The book "Anthropology of Law: articles, researches" is a compilation of articles by V. V. Bocharov on anthropology of law. The collection contains both theoretical articles, and articles written on the basis of field research. In a series of articles examines the realities of Russia, in which the "unwritten law" plays as is well known not the last role. The collection is a kind of addition to the book "Unwritten Law. Anthropology of Law".

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