

La pendolarità holmesiana tra diritto e vita

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The “Pendularity” of the Oliver Wendell Holmes’ Thought between Law and Life

Abstract: Starting from the book *The Life of Law. Oliver Wendell Holmes between Law Science and legal profession* by Paola Chiarella and from the reading that the author offers of the Holmesian thought, this contribution aims to consider the intimate connection between the human experience and the legal experience not only in the context of the genesis of law and its evolution, but also as a heuristic element of the involitional profiles of the legal phenomenon and conservatism. The text intends to examine the “pendularity” of Holmes’ reflection in the “texture” between law and life, fertile ground for a “stress-test” of the innovative pressure of legal realism with regard to the Liberal Rule of Law and pluralistic systems.

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