

THE MIDDLE EAST STUDIES ASSOCIATION OF NORTH AMERICA, INC. (MESA) was organized in 1966 by a group of American and Canadian scholars on the Middle East to

- promote high standards of scholarship and instruction in this area;
- facilitate communication among scholars through meetings and publications; and
- foster cooperation among persons and organizations concerned with the scholarly study of the Middle East.

MESA focuses on the study of the Middle East since the rise of Islam, principally from the viewpoint of the humanities and the social sciences. Its membership is international.

Persons of scholarly training and/or achievement in Middle East studies are eligible to become Full Members (\$50, Retired \$25, Joint \$60). Other categories of membership are Associate (\$50), Student (\$25), and Institutional (\$500). Each membership is on a calendar-year basis. Membership includes subscriptions to the *International Journal of Middle East Studies*, the *MESA Bulletin*, and the *MESA Newsletter*. Application forms may be obtained from the MESA Secretariat, 1232 North Cherry Avenue, University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona 85721, (602) 621-5850.

MESA is a nonprofit corporation with tax-exempt status. Contributions to the Association are deductible under both U.S. Federal and British income tax regulations.

Honorary Fellows: CLAUDE CAHEN, ALBERT HOURANI
CHARLES ISSAWI, MAJID KHADDURI, ANN K. S. LAMBTON,
MAXIME RODINSON, ANNEMARIE SCHIMMEL, W. MONTGOMERY WATT

Past President: YVONNE YAZBECK HADDAD

President: DALE F. EICKELMAN

President-Elect: BARBARA C. ASWAD

Directors: 1989–1991: RASHID KHALIDI, ANN LESCH

1990–1992: PHILIP S. KHOURY, JUDITH E. TUCKER

1991–1993: FARZANEH MILANI, BARBARA F. STOWASSER

Executive Secretary & Treasurer: ANNE H. BETTERIDGE

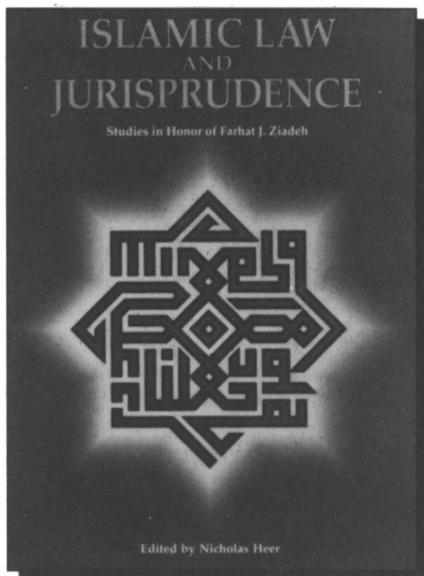
The following publications are available from the **MESA** Secretariat (please write for a price list):

- *Directory of Graduate and Undergraduate Programs and Courses in Middle East Studies in the United States, Canada, and Abroad*. MESA, published biennially.
- *A Resource Guide for Middle Eastern Studies*, edited by Ann G. Friday, Robert L. Staab, et al. Middle East Outreach Council, 1988.
- *MEOC Presents Middle East Materials*, for Teachers, Students, Non-Specialists.
- *Edited Works and Collections on the Middle East*. Annual.
- *MESA Bulletin Index: Vols. 1–20, 1967–1986*.
- *MESA Cookbook*.
- Back issues of the *MESA Bulletin* and Annual Meeting Programs.

Islamic Law and Jurisprudence

Edited by
Nicholas Heer

With the return of several countries in the Middle East, Asia, and Africa to legal codes largely based on the Quran and the Traditions, Islamic law has resumed its former importance as an independent system of jurisprudence. Moreover, substantial Muslim communities have made Islamic legal concepts newly relevant in Western Europe, the Soviet Union, China, and South Asia. In *Islamic Law and Jurisprudence*, eleven distinguished scholars consider the contribution of Islamic legal concepts and practice to the human quest for legal rationality.



Clothbound, \$30.00

*Available through your local bookstore
or call 1-800-441-4115*



UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON PRESS

P.O. Box 50096 • Seattle, WA 98145