

Eliseo Aja - Currículum Vitae



Eliseo Aja was born in Santander (Spain) in 1946. He studied Law at the University of Valladolid and the University of Barcelona and he obtained his doctorate in 1973 at the Autonomous University of Barcelona. He has been a professor of Constitutional Law at the University of Barcelona since 1969, and obtained tenure in 1983.

He was director of the Report of the Autonomous Communities, and author of the general valuation which begins each annual volume between 1989 and 1998 and he was Director of the Public Law Institute of Barcelona from 2001 to 2009. He has also been one of the directors of the Yearbook on Immigration in Spain from 2006 to the present.

He has taken part in several Advisory Commissions on constitutional and legislative reforms, especially regarding regionalisation in European and Latin American countries. He has also been appointed by the Spanish Parliament as an expert to appear on diverse occasions, most notably for the Committee for the constitutional reform of the Senate (1995).

In 2005 he was elected president of the Spanish association of professors of constitutional law (2005-2008). In 2009 he was elected President of the Council of Legal Guarantees of Catalonia.

Primary publications

Books published:

- Democracia y socialismo en el siglo XIX español, Madrid, 1976, Edicusa. (*Democracy and socialism in the Spanish XIX century*).
- Constituciones y periodos constituyentes en España (1808-1936)), with J. Solé Tura, Madrid, 1977, Siglo XXI. 20^a edición en 2011. (*Constitutions and constituent periods in Spain (1808-1936)*)
- El sistema jurídico de las Comunidades Autónomas, Madrid, 1985, Tecnos. (*The legal system of the Autonomous Communities*)

- Las tensiones entre el Tribunal Constitucional y el Legislador, Barcelona, 1998, Ariel. (*The tensions between the Constitutional Court and the Legislative Branch*)
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- La nueva regulación de la inmigración en España. Valencia, 2000, Tirant. (*The new immigration legislation in Spain*)
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- B. Nacisbene, Comparative study of European Union Member States immigration legislation with special reference to exclusion and administrative detention (2001), Giuffré Ed.
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