



Constitutionalism and the Rule of Law in Senegalese Transitions: A Comparative Analysis

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Abstract

This study examines constitutionalism and the rule of law in Senegal's legal transitions, focusing on post-independence Senegalese jurisprudence. A comparative analysis will be conducted using secondary data from legal texts and scholarly articles to trace Senegal's progress towards constitutionalism and rule of law standards. Cross-country comparisons will also be made where available. Senegalese courts have shown a consistent trend in upholding the supremacy of the constitution, though implementation challenges persist, particularly in rural areas. This study reveals significant disparities in how Senegal has integrated constitutionalism and rule of law principles compared to other African nations. Specific legal reforms are noted as pivotal in this process. Future research should focus on the enforcement mechanisms for constitutional guarantees and their impact on socio-economic development in Senegal.

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