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Sommario/riassunto	This book present the first sustained analysis of the earliest legal treatises on the Islamic trust, or waqf -- the Akm al-Waqf of Hill al-Ray and the Akm al-Awqf of al-Khaf. The book situates the treastise and their authors within third/ninth century legal culture, and then undertakes a systematic textual analysis of the treatises, examining both the attributes of anaf legal discourse and how the waqf came to be defined and situated within existing categories of charitable giving, inheritance, bequest and death-sickness. The final chapter focuses on how the waqf was legitimated hermeneutically through traditions of the Prophet and his Companions. The close

textual analysis of these treatises is especially important for historians of early Islamic law.
