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In this volume, leading scholars and jurists in ocean law provide perspectives on the past record of legal change together with analyses of a wide range of institutional and legal innovation that are needed to meet current challenges. The topics that are addressed here include: policy process and legal innovation in marine fisheries management; institutional capacity and jurisdictional conflict in ocean-law adjudication; regionalism and multilateralism in their various aspects; the challenges posed by the sudden recent availability of technological access to underwater cultural heritage; compensation for war-related environmental damage; and the problems associated with access to marine genetic materials. "Bringing new law to ocean waters" --the quest to adjust the legal order of the oceans to changing realities, a quest that has produced both great achievements and grievous failures -- has constituted one of the major developments in international law in the last half century.
