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This book is a significant example of psychological law. Such a law is interpreted and applied profiting by psychology.

After an introduction concerning inheritance in Italian law, the reader will find a set of empirical researches aimed at investigating the issue of inheritance according to a new and different point of view. Common people have been interviewed, in order to understand the social representation of the disposition by will as a moment when somebody becomes completely aware of the limitedness of his own life. Several public notaries answered to questions about attitudes, motivations, behaviours and state of mind of people making their will. The contents of some wills have also been examined. All the data collected have been processed by means of powerful computer analysis methods.

The results of these researches depict the will as a crossing of expectations, attitudes, motivations and behaviours aimed at leaving a mark, recompensing, punishing, thus continuing to exist after death ...

Hence, this book presents a new subject of investigation for researchers, while, for people working in this field, it is an effective aid to realize something about the disposition by will, which is not only a legal act.