The Subclass KB, *Religious Law*, is currently in the process of being developed
by Jolande E. Goldberg, law classification specialist in the Cataloging Policy and Support
Church*, *The Holy See*, the first two subclasses to be completed, were published in 2000.
The 2004 edition included, in addition to those two subclasses, three new subclasses that
were developed between 2000 and 2004: KB, *Religious Law in General. Comparative
Sharīʻah. Fiq*. The 2008 edition included additions and changes that had been made to
these subclasses between 2004 and 2008. For that edition, Arabic script was provided
for many of the proper names and Arabic terms in subclass KBP, in addition to their Latin
counterparts. The 2011 edition included two new subclasses that were developed
between 2008 and 2011. Starting in 2015, this edition was published and updated
annually. This 2023 edition updates the 2022 edition.

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Senior cataloging policy specialists in the Policy, Training & Cooperative Programs
Division are responsible for coordinating the overall intellectual and editorial content of
subclass KB. Assistant editors of the classification schedules are responsible for creating
new classification records, maintaining the master database, and creating index terms for
the captions.

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