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1. The Federal Constitutional Court of Germany (‘FCC’) has become one of the leading constitutional courts or supreme courts with the power of constitutional adjudication in the world. Not only was it a model for numerous constitutional courts established in the second half of the 20th century, but also its jurisprudence influenced a number of younger constitutional or human rights courts. Important doctrinal innovations emanated from the jurisprudence of the FCC, the proportionality test only being the best known example. As David Robertson says: ‘So important is...