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### **Preface**

Administrative Law has a pervasive role in the practice of law. Lawyers not familiar with the principles of Administrative Law will not be able to fully provide effective representation to their clients. It is not just in those cases that might be labeled "Administrative Law" cases where knowledge of Administrative Law is required. For example, many cases which may be more properly described as criminal, family or personal injury also require knowledge of Administrative Law. This book, therefore, is not just for lawyers who work for government agencies or who represent private clients who have regular dealings with government agencies, but also for those lawyers whose law practices do not regularly handle cases which involve the government.

Administrative Law impacts important individual rights and societal values. Lawyers must understand Administrative Law in order to fully protect the rights of their clients. Lawyers who work for government agencies must understand Administrative Law in order to help further the important economic and social policies which agencies create and enforce. Judges must understand Administrative Law to ensure that important public policy goals can be achieved without violating individual rights.

This book is descriptive, analytical, and prescriptive. Maryland Administrative Law is of relatively recent development and will continue to be a dynamic area of law into the foreseeable future. Although this book is thorough, lawyers must also be prepared to read the actual cases, the statutes, and the regulations which control the decision in the case. The Appendices to the book provide the practicing lawyer with most of the primary sources needed to represent a client before the Office of Administrative Hearings and administrative agencies, as well as in the courts upon judicial review.

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