

## Chapter 18 The Federal Court System Test Answers

"The United States Code is the official codification of the general and permanent laws of the United States of America. The Code was first published in 1926, and a new edition of the code has been published every six years since 1934. The 2012 edition of the Code incorporates laws enacted through the One Hundred Twelfth Congress, Second Session, the last of which was signed by the President on January 15, 2013. It does not include laws of the One Hundred Thirteenth Congress, First Session, enacted between January 2, 2013, the date it convened, and January 15, 2013. By statutory authority this edition may be cited "U.S.C. 2012 ed." As adopted in 1926, the Code established prima facie the general and permanent laws of the United States. The underlying statutes reprinted in the Code remained in effect and controlled over the Code in case of any discrepancy. In 1947, Congress began enacting individual titles of the Code into positive law. When a title is enacted into positive law, the underlying statutes are repealed and the title then becomes legal evidence of the law. Currently, 26 of the 51 titles in the Code have been so enacted. These are identified in the table of titles near the beginning of each volume. The Law Revision Counsel of the House of Representatives continues to prepare legislation pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 285b to enact the remainder of the Code, on a title-by-title basis, into positive law. The 2012 edition of the Code was prepared and published under the supervision of Ralph V. Seep, Law Revision Counsel. Grateful acknowledgment is made of the contributions by all who helped in this work, particularly the staffs of the Office of the Law Revision Counsel and the Government Printing Office"--Preface.

National Book Award Finalist: "A learned, thoughtful, witty legal history for the layman" (The New Yorker). What do the thoughts of a ravenous tiger have to do with the evolution of America's legal system? How do the works of Jane Austen and Ludwig van Beethoven relate to corporal punishment? In *The Law of the Land*, Charles Rembar examines these and many other topics, illustrating the surprisingly entertaining history of US law. Best known for his passionate efforts to protect literature, including *Lady Chatterley's Lover*, from censorship laws, Rembar offers an exciting look at the democratic judicial system that will appeal to lawyers and laymen alike. From the dark days of medieval England, when legal disputes were settled by duel, through recent paradigm shifts in the interpretation and application of the legal code, *The Law of the Land* is a compelling and informative history of the rules and regulations we so often take for granted.

Updated to reflect the current political landscape, this book is organized around a "participation" approach and provides an innovative content style and interactive assessment. It is designed to get readers to participate in their learning and in all aspects of American politics. Covering the foundations and institutions of the American Government, readers are prompted to draw connections between government topics and current events while finding a role for themselves in politics and government. This update includes coverage of the seismic changes that have taken place across our political landscape since the second edition published and Barack Obama took office.

Illustrated timeline inside the front cover.

In this 2018 edition of *Divorce Taxation*, author Brian C. Vertz explores the sweeping changes ushered in by the Tax Cuts & Jobs Act of 2017, enacted by Congress on December 22, 2017. One of the most substantial and unexpected changes is a permanent repeal of the alimony tax deduction under I.R.C. § 71 and 215, effective December 31, 2018. Other significant changes in the tax law that will impact your family law practice include: New limitations on the tax deductions for qualified residence mortgage interest and real estate taxes (as well as state and local income tax) will mean that fewer taxpayers will itemize their deductions. [Chapter 2] In 2018, lawyers will be anticipating and planning for the post-2018 repeal of the alimony tax deduction, effective December 31, 2018. Pre-2019 divorce instruments will preserve the alimony tax deduction, even for most post-2018 modifications. Family lawyers will have to adapt their strategies. [Chapters 3 & 4] An increased standard deduction and child tax credit might (in some, but not all, cases) make up for the suspension of personal and dependency exemptions and miscellaneous itemized deductions for tax years 2018 through 2025. Your mileage may vary. [Chapter 5] With the suspension of miscellaneous itemized deductions, legal fees incurred to produce or collect alimony will not be tax-deductible. [Chapter 7] The kiddie tax is no longer based upon parents' marginal income tax rates, but now is tied to the trust and estate income tax brackets. [Chapter 8] New tax brackets and enhanced standard deductions might mean that getting "head of household" filing status is more important than ever. [Chapter 9] The U.S. Supreme Court decision that affects military servicemembers' pensions may have created a "leaky bucket" for their former spouses. [Chapter 14] Is a prenuptial agreement capable of preserving the alimony tax deduction for a future divorce? Many say "no," but perhaps there's an argument to be made. [Chapter 18]

*Briefs of Leading Cases in Law Enforcement, Ninth Edition*, offers extensive updates on the leading Supreme Court cases impacting law enforcement in the United States, creating a must-have reference for police officers to stay up-to-date and have a strong understanding of the law and their function within it. All cases are briefed in a common format to allow for comparisons among cases and include facts, relevant issues, and the Court's decision and reasoning. The significance of each case is also explained, making clear its impact on citizens and law enforcement. The book provides students and practitioners with historical and social context for their role in criminal justice and the legal guidelines that should be followed in day-to-day policing activities. Two new chapters have been added on Searches by Dogs (featuring *United States v. Place*, *Illinois v. Caballes*, *Florida v. Harris*, and *Florida v. Jardines*) and Computer/Cell Phone Searches (featuring *Riley v. California*). Additional new cases include: • In Chapter 4, covering Arrests and Other Seizures of Persons: *Bailey v. United States* • In Chapter 5, covering Seizures of Things: *Missouri v. McNeely* and *Maryland v. King* • In Chapter 6, covering Searches in General: *Kentucky v. King* • In Chapter 8, covering Searches With Consent: *Fernandez v. California* • In Chapter 9, covering Vehicle Stops and Searches: *Navarette v. California* • In Chapter 12, covering Electronic Surveillance: *United States v. Jones* • In Chapter 16, covering, Use of Force: *Plumhoff v. Rickard* • In Chapter 17, covering Confessions and Admissions: Cases Affirming Miranda: *J.D.B v. North Carolina* • In Chapter 18, covering Confessions and Admissions: Cases Weakening Miranda: *Salinas v. Texas* • In Chapter 23, covering Legal Liabilities: *Messerschmidt v. Millender*

Attorney Robert Schaller and the Schaller Law Firm offers tax professionals in *IRS Offer in Compromise: A Treatise for Attorneys, CPAs, Accountants & Tax Preparers* a scholarly treatise on the IRS program that relieves taxpayers from crushing IRS back-taxes. This is a must-have resource book for any tax professional offering Offer in Compromise services. Citing specific authorities, this book offers a deep dive into the U.S. Tax Code, Treasury regulations, court opinions, the Internal Revenue Manual, and IRS Revenue Procedures that comprise the IRS' Offer in Compromise program. The 12-page Table of Contents, 27-page Table of Authorities, and 18-page Index aids a tax professional's scholarly understanding. *IRS Offer in Compromise: A Treatise for Attorneys, CPAs, Accountants & Tax Preparers* begins in Chapters 1 thru 3 with an overview of

the U.S. Tax Code, Treasury Regulations, court rulings, Internal Revenue Manual, and IRS Revenue Procedures. Next, the IRS collection apparatus is explained, including bank levies, wage garnishments, and federal tax liens. Chapter 4 discusses the IRS' authority, motivation, and basis to eliminate back-taxes, including doubt as to collectability offers, effective tax administration offers, and doubt as to liability offers. This book is focused on doubt as to collectability offers only. An overview of the Offer in Compromise process is provided in Chapter 5. Chapter 6 considers the seminal question: who should submit the Offer in Compromise application? Payment issues associated with an Offer in Compromise application are considered in Chapter 7. Chapter 8 analyzes the key issue of whether the Offer in Compromise application is "processable" and qualifies for further review. Chapters 9 thru 12 address the calculation of the minimum amount that a taxpayer must offer to eliminate all back-taxes. Chapter 9 presents the secret formula for calculating the lowest offer amount acceptable to the IRS, including a discussion of the "reasonable collection potential" or RCP. Chapter 10 explains the asset valuation component of the formula. The income and expense components of the formula are discussed in Chapters 11 and 12 respectively. Chapter 13 provides a line-by-line analysis of the essential document – IRS Form 656, Offer in Compromise. Chapters 14 and 15 provide a line-by-line analysis of IRS Forms 433-A & B (OIC), Collection Information Statements. Chapter 16 considers the need for a "collateral agreement." Chapter 17 explains a taxpayer's obligations during the IRS investigation of an Offer in Compromise. "Terminating" a pending offer is considered in Chapter 18. "Withdrawing" a pending application is reviewed in Chapter 19. Chapter 20 analyzes the IRS' decision whether to "return" an offer, including returning unprocessable applications and processable applications. Chapter 21 discusses the IRS analysis behind "rejecting" an Offer in Compromise application. The IRS' decision process in "accepting" an Offer in Compromise application is explored in Chapter 22. The taxpayer's duties post-acceptance are reviewed in Chapter 23. Chapter 24 examines a taxpayer's "default" of the accepted agreement's terms. Chapter 25 explores a taxpayer's right to receive tax refunds. Chapter 26 explains a taxpayer's appellate right to review an IRS rejection. Chapters 27 thru 29 discuss an Offer in Compromise's affect upon levies, garnishments, installment agreements, and trust fund and trust fund recovery penalties. Chapters 30 and 31 encompass a host of miscellaneous issues, including public disclosures, assessment period and collection period extensions, and bankruptcy. Chapter 32 explains powers of attorney, including a line-by-line analysis of IRS Form 2848, Power of Attorney. Finally, Chapter 33 reviews third-party authorizations including a line-by-line analysis of IRS Form 8821, Tax Information Authorization.

Weissenberger's Federal Civil Procedure Litigation Manual offers a practical guide to the intricacies of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. Written by Glen Weissenberger, author of the Evidence Courtroom Manual series and A.J. Stephani, noted civil procedure professor and author, Federal Civil Litigation Procedure Manual contains the complete text of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. Each rule is then individually annotated with insightful commentary, additional supporting authorities, and recent significant cases. The manual was specifically designed to aid both the legal practitioner and judge, and is updated annually to encompass changes in the Rules or supporting case law. Features include:

- The complete text of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure
- Insightful Commentary in clear prose delineates the practical meanings of each Rule
- Additional Authority suggests additional research tools
- Recent Significant Cases offers a list of current judicial interpretations of each Rule
- Official Forms, relevant United States Code provisions, and Proposed

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This United States Army Judge Advocate General's School Department of Defense deskbook, 2020 Contract Attorneys Deskbook Volume 2 (Chapter 18 - 35), includes the following topics: BID PROTESTS, CONTRACT DISPUTES ACT AND BID PROTEST LITIGATION AT THE COURT OF FEDERAL CLAIM, INSPECTION, ACCEPTANCE, & WARRANTY, CONTRACT PAYMENT, CONTRACT CHANGES, CONTRACT DISPUTE ACT, THE LITIGATION PROCESS, PRICING OF CONTRACT ADJUSTMENTS, CONTRACT TERMINATIONS FOR CONVENIENCE (T4C), CONTRACT TERMINATIONS FOR DEFAULT (T4D), ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION (ADR), GOVERNMENT INFORMATION PRACTICES (GIP), PROCUREMENT FRAUD, CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTING, CONTINGENCY & DEPLOYMENT CONTRACTING, CONTINGENCY CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL, ARMY NONAPPROPRIATED FUND (NAF) CONTRACTING, AIR FORCE NONAPPROPRIATED FUND (NAF) CONTRACTING, CONTRACT LAW RESEARCH MATERIALS, RESPONSIBILITY, TIMELINESS, AND ORGANIZATIONAL, CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (OCI'S), OTHER TRANSACTION AUTHORITY (OTA), And APPENDIX A ALPHABETICAL LISTING OF CONTRACT ABBREVIATIONS.

For one/two-semester courses in Business Law. Exceptionally comprehensive and praised for its writing style and accessibility this text offers longer edited cases, with more of the actual language of the court renderings. It includes numerous business-oriented features that make the course relevant to future managers and integrates throughout ethics and social responsibility, international, contemporary business issues, and e-commerce in every morsel of the text.

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Hailed as a stellar educational resource since 1917, Magruder's American Government is updated annually to incorporate the most current, most authoritative American Government content, and meet the changing needs of today's high school students and teachers. Magruder's clear, engaging narrative is enhanced with the Essential Questions, numerous primary sources, political cartoons, charts, graphs,

photos and interactive online activities, to make the subject of American Government accessible and motivating to students of all abilities. The Pearson Advantage Respected, relevant, and reliable Teacher's most trusted and authoritative program in the nation! Magruder's is recognized for its clear, well-written narrative using a variety of methods to make content accessible to all students. Written around Grant Wiggins's Essential Questions In each Unit and Chapter, students explore Essential Questions, with additional activities in the Essential Question Journal. New features to make content easier to understand How Government Works feature, academic vocabulary defined at the point of use, multiple graphic organizers, audio tours accompanying complex graphics. Quick Study Guides, and text having a fresh, magazine-inspired design, demystify difficult American Government concepts. Student Resources: American Government Online Student Center Students connect to 21st Century learning with rich digital assets that include two Online Student Editions, downloadable audio and video resources, and interactive assessments. The American Government Essential Question Journal Print consumable that accompanies the Magruder's American Government Textbook for students to answer the Essential Questions in graphic, chart, question and essay formats. American Government Essential Question Video on DVD Students identify the Essential Questions for American Government through relevant videos. Teacher Resources: American Government Online Teacher Center All teaching resources are conveniently organized online and include interactive presentation tools, leveled editable teacher resources and assessments, instructional management tools which include: assigning content tracking student's progress accessing student's learning generating reports for administration, students and parents. Teacher's All-in-One Resources with Editable Worksheets on CD-ROM CD-ROM includes Teacher's Edition and a wide range of on-level and Foundations lesson plans, worksheets, and assessments. This built-in differentiation allows teachers to pick and choose among the resources that meet the needs of all students!

"Congress created this Commission on Structural Alternatives for the Federal Courts of Appeals in late 1997. It did so in the wake of controversy over whether the court of appeals for the Ninth Circuit - the largest federal court of appeals - has grown to a point that it cannot function effectively and whether, in response, Congress should split the Ninth Circuit to create two or more smaller courts. The statute directed the Commission to study the present circuit configuration and the structure and alignment of the courts of appeals, with particular reference to the Ninth Circuit. It further directed it to submit to Congress by December 18, 1998, recommendations to the President and Congress on changes in circuit boundaries or structure as may be appropriate for the expeditious and effective disposition of the appellate caseload, consistent with fundamental concepts of fairness and due process." -- p. ix.

A revision of the author's "A federal equity suit" and a "A federal suit at law."

Co-published by Oxford University Press and the International Law Institute, and prepared by the Office of the Legal Adviser at the Department of State, the Digest of United States Practice in International Law presents an annual compilation of documents and commentary highlighting significant developments in public and private international law, and is an invaluable resource for practitioners and scholars in the field. Each edition compiles excerpts from documents such as treaties, diplomatic notes and correspondence, legal opinion letters, judicial decisions, Senate committee reports and press releases. Each document is selected by members of the Legal Adviser's Office of the U.S. Department of State, based on their judgments about the significance of the issues, their potential relevance to future situations, and their likely interest to scholars and practitioners. In almost every case, the commentary to each excerpt is accompanied by a citation to the full text. Featured in the 2009 Digest are excerpts from and discussion of numerous documents relating to issues of current interest, including the following: \* Final Rule issued by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services eliminating ban on people with HIV from entering the United States, 74 Fed. Reg. 56,547 (Nov. 2, 2009) (Chapter 1, Nationality, Citizenship, and Immigration) \* U.S. federal court decisions involving First Amendment challenges to district court decisions upholding denials of visas to individuals accused of having contributed funds to terrorist organizations (e.g., the Second Circuit vacated and remanded a district court's decision upholding the denial of a visa to Muslim scholar Tariq Ramadan (*American Academy v. Napolitano*, 573 F.3d 115 (2d Cir. 2009)) (Chapter 1, Nationality, Citizenship, and Immigration) \* U.S. motion to dismiss petition for a writ of habeas corpus filed by a Mexican national who claimed that he would be tortured if extradited to Mexico to face homicide charges (*Saldana v. United States*, No. 2:09-cv-02786-JPM-cgc (W.D. Tenn. 2009)) (Chapter 3, International Criminal Law) \* Eleventh Circuit affirmation of district court's 2008 decision denying writ of habeas corpus to former Panamanian dictator Manuel Noriega to prevent his extradition to France (*Noriega v. Pastrana*, 564 F.3d 1290 (11th Cir. 2009)) (Chapter 3, International Criminal Law) \* U.S. grant of two petitions for certiorari in a case challenging constitutionality of the provisions of the Antiterrorism and Effective Death Penalty Act of 1996, Pub. L. No. 104-132, 110 Stat. 1214, that make it a criminal offense for any person within the United States or subject to U.S. jurisdiction "knowingly" to provide "material support or resources" to a designated foreign terrorist organization ("FTO") (*Holder v. Humanitarian Law Project*, 130 S. Ct. 534 (2009); *Humanitarian Law Project v. Holder*, 130 S. Ct. 534 (2009)) (Chapter 3, International Criminal Law) \* Statement of Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton about the "Human Rights Agenda for the 21st Century" (Georgetown University, December 14, 2009) (Chapter 6, Human Rights) \* U.S. statements to the UN Human Rights Council relating to the Gaza conflict and the report of the UN Fact Finding Mission on the Gaza Conflict (the "Goldstone Report") (Chapter 6, Human Rights) \* Statement of President Barack H. Obama and memorandum to the Secretary of State and the Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development on the rescission of the "Mexico City Policy," which had directed USAID to withhold USAID funds from any nongovernmental organization using non-USAID funds to engage in activities relating to abortion (Chapter 6, Human Rights) \* Letter of Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton to Senator Jeanne Shaheen outlining U.S. initiatives to end the use of rape and sexual violence in conflict zones, particularly in Sudan and the Democratic Republic of the Congo, accompanied by the proposed "Strategic Plan for Combating Violence Against Women in Sudan and the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC)," and Statement of Secretary of State Clinton to the UN Security Council regarding U.S.-led Resolution concerning sexual violence in situations of armed conflict (Chapter 6, Human Rights) \* Statement of Ambassador Susan Rice, U.S. Permanent Representative to the United Nations, and White House Senior Advisor Valerie Jarrett on the views of the U.S. towards the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (signed by the U.S. on July 30, 2009) (Chapter 6, Human Rights) \* Statement of Harold Hongju Koh, Department of State Legal Adviser, to the International Court of Justice, discussing whether the

"unilateral declaration of independence by the Provisional Institutions of Self-Government of Kosovo [is] in accordance with international law" (Chapter 9, Diplomatic Relations, Succession, and Continuity of States) \* U.S. federal court decisions relating to actions brought under sovereign states under the Foreign Sovereign Immunities Act, including actions against the Holy See, the Islamic Republic of Iran, and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (Chapter 10, Foreign Sovereign Immunity) \* Diplomatic note indicating change in policy of the Department of State to extend the "definition of 'family' forming part of the household of a diplomatic agent [to] include same-sex domestic partners ('domestic partners') for purposes of the application of the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations and Vienna Convention on Consular Relations in the United States" (74 Fed. Reg. 36,112 (July 22, 2009)) (Chapter 10, Foreign Sovereign Immunity) \* The Office of the U.S. Trade Representative's 2009 Special 301 Report to identify those foreign countries that deny adequate and effective protection of intellectual property rights or deny fair and equitable market access to U.S. persons that rely upon intellectual property protection (Chapter 11, Trade, Commercial Relations, Investment, and Transportation) \* Statement of the Contact Group on Piracy off the Coast of Somalia ("CGPCS"), hosted by the United States at UN Headquarters in New York (Chapter 12, Territorial Regimes and Related Issues) \* President Barack H. Obama's December 18, 2009, press briefing relating to the "Copenhagen Accord," reached by the major world economies at the Fifteenth Session of the Conference of the Parties to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (Chapter 13, Environment and Other Transnational Scientific Issues) \* Testimony of Keith Loken, Assistant Legal Adviser for Private International Law, Department of State, in support of the Hague Convention on the International Recovery of Child Support and Other Forms of Family Maintenance (which was signed by the United States but awaits Senate approval) (Chapter 15, Private International Law) \* Various documents relating to the U.S. position on the imposition or retention of sanctions against or the curtailment of assistance to countries including the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Iran, Eritrea, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Sudan, Burma, Madagascar, and Honduras (Chapter 16, Sanctions) \* Memorandum of President Barack H. Obama to the Secretaries of State, Treasury, and Commerce instructing them to take certain actions to implement a new policy to promote democracy and human rights in Cuba, including "facilitating greater contact between separated family members in the United States and Cuba and increasing the flow of remittances and information to the Cuban people" (Chapter 16, Sanctions) \* U.S. positions on the peace process in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict and the resolution of the North-South conflict in Sudan, as well as U.S. positions on peacekeeping in Georgia, Kosovo, Lebanon, and Somalia (Chapter 17, International Conflict Resolution and Avoidance) \* Excerpts from Executive Order 13491, "Ensuring Lawful Interrogations," 74 Fed. Reg. 4893 (Jan. 27, 2009), which was intended "to improve the effectiveness of human intelligence-gathering, to promote the safe, lawful, and humane treatment of individuals in United States custody and of United States personnel who are detained in armed conflicts, to ensure compliance with the treaty obligations of the United States, including the Geneva Conventions, and to take care that the laws of the United States are faithfully executed" (Chapter 18, Use of Force, Arms Control and Disarmament, and Nonproliferation) \* Excerpts from Executive Order 13492, "Review and Disposition of Individuals Detained At the Guantánamo Bay Naval Base and Closure of Detention Facilities," 74 Fed. Reg. 4897 (Jan. 27, 2009) (Chapter 18, Use of Force, Arms Control and Disarmament, and Nonproliferation) \* Other U.S. positions relating to treatment of detainees upon release, as well as U.S. federal court decisions relating to habeas litigation involving current detainees held at Guantanamo and in Afghanistan and civil suits involving former Guantanamo detainees (Chapter 18, Use of Force, Arms Control and Disarmament, and Nonproliferation)

This book is the product of the authors' rethinking of what a Federal Courts course can be. Although fully attentive to the deeper theoretical issues of federalism and separation of powers raised by the cases, the book also focuses on giving students the grounding they will need to be effective lawyer-litigators. The book's objective is to provide students with the doctrinal, theoretical, and practical education that will enable them to identify and strategically employ jurisdictional tools to effectively serve their clients in litigation. Two major themes distinguish this book from others on the market: • First, the book gives sustained and systematic attention to the role of state courts as a forum for litigation of federal issues. • Second, the book is grounded in the realities of litigation today -- in particular, the strong tendency of defendants in civil litigation to prefer federal court over state court. The statutory device of removal, and other issues that dominate contemporary litigation, are addressed throughout this book. In addition, the book is organized in a way that reinforces learning and facilitates interstitial reiteration of important points. A modular design enables teachers to select particular aspects of larger topics for made-to-order course coverage. Based on the authors' extensive classroom experience teaching Federal Courts, the book effectively integrates problems as teaching and learning tools. The problems have been carefully designed to require students to identify and apply relevant concepts from the governing law, including the cases in the book, from the perspective of a lawyer seeking to accomplish a particular goal. Many of the problems are based on recent appellate cases that the Supreme Court declined to hear. The book provides thorough coverage of the public law issues that dominate scholarly writings on federal courts, but it is also uniquely geared to preparing students to serve their clients effectively ordinary litigation. This publication is also accompanied by the Judicial Code Supplement. A unique feature of this Supplement is the inclusion of selected provisions of other titles of the United States Code -- not just procedural provisions like the Administrative Procedure Act and the Federal Arbitration Act, but also ERISA, FELA, RICO, and other substantive statutes that bear on the issues treated in a Federal Courts course.

For 30 years, Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Linda Greenhouse chronicled the activities of the U.S. Supreme Court and its justices as a correspondent for the New York Times. In this Very Short Introduction, she draws on her deep knowledge of the court's history and of its written and unwritten rules to show readers how the Supreme Court really works. Greenhouse offers a fascinating institutional biography of a place and its people--men and women who exercise great power but whose names and faces are unrecognized by

many Americans and whose work often appears cloaked in mystery. How do cases get to the Supreme Court? How do the justices go about deciding them? What special role does the chief justice play? What do the law clerks do? How does the court relate to the other branches of government? Greenhouse answers these questions by depicting the justices as they confront deep constitutional issues or wrestle with the meaning of confusing federal statutes. Throughout, the author examines many individual Supreme Court cases to illustrate points under discussion, ranging from *Marbury v. Madison*, the seminal case which established judicial review, to the recent *District of Columbia v. Heller* (2008), which struck down the District of Columbia's gun-control statute and which was, surprisingly, the first time in its history that the Court issued an authoritative interpretation of the Second Amendment. To add perspective, Greenhouse also compares the Court to foreign courts, revealing interesting differences. For instance, no other country in the world has chosen to bestow life tenure on its judges. The second edition of Greenhouse's *Very Short Introduction* tracks the changes in the Court's makeup over the last eight years, considers the landmark decisions of the Obama and Trump eras, and reexamines the precarious fates of such precedents as *Roe v. Wade*. A superb overview packed with telling details, this volume offers a matchless introduction to one of the pillars of American government.

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This valuable book provides a concise, yet thorough analysis of a confusing statute and morass of case law. Extremely well organized and indexed, the guide allows you to locate promptly and easily issues pertinent to your case.

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