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Preface

This Eighth Edition, of what has become a true classic in the field, is a sea change in several respects.

First, there are new Editors. John M. Payne, an Editor for several Editions and a Board of Governors distinguished service professor and Justice Frederick Hall scholar at Rutgers Law School, Newark, died on June 16, 2009. His scholarship lives on in this Edition. We have added four new Editors — Carol Necole Brown, Professor of Law at the University of North Carolina School of Law; Stuart Meck, FAICP, Associate Research Professor and Director, Center for Planning Practice, Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning at Rutgers; Dwight H. Merriam, FAICP, of Robinson & Cole LLP; and Julie A. Tappendorf of Ancel Glink Diamond Bush DiCianni & Krafftner, P.C. in Chicago. We now have the most diverse and representative Editors of any land use law casebook ever — three law school professors, three practicing lawyers, and one of the nation’s preeminent land use planners, and we note, not a lawyer.

Second, we have done some reorganizing to improve the flow and made Chapter 1 decidedly all about planning. It works, we are pleased with the result, and know you will be too.

Third, we have pushed at every turn to get the most recent issues, decisions, statutes and secondary materials into the text, many with web addresses — to the point of even inserting new material as we did the final proofreading. We will provide annual updates and are committed to maintaining our well-deserved reputation for being the most current and cutting edge of any land use law casebook.

Fourth, as before, there is a Teacher’s Manual with supplemental CD-ROM and a supporting website. This will keep the material up-to-date on a near-daily basis. There will also be annual update letters.

Finally, Professor Mandelker, who brought us the First Edition of the casebook in 1979, will continue to be an active Editor of this casebook, but has decided with this Edition to shift the leadership responsibility to Dwight Merriam, who pledges with the new team of Editors to do everything possible to maintain the status of this casebook as the one without equal.

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