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PREFACE

The first edition of this text was published a decade ago. Bill Glueck was the author of the first edition, which was entitled *Foundations of Personnel*. It was Bill's belief that many faculty members wanted an uncluttered, straightforward, practically oriented text to use in their personnel courses. He provided a text that appealed to both instructors and students, and this accomplishment is a tribute to his ability to communicate his knowledge in a clear, intelligible way.

Bill's untimely passing prevented his further development and refinement of the text through the three revised editions. This edition still incorporates many of Bill Glueck's ideas, orientation, and basic text structure in its examination of personnel/human resource management (P/HRM). His original crafting of a high-quality and teachable text remains noticeable in this fourth edition.

Personnel/human resource management is a necessary activity in all organizations. Its focal point is *people*. People are the lifeblood of organizations. Without them, there is no need for P/HRM systems, programs, or procedures. Because they involve people, P/HRM activities have to be fine-tuned and properly implemented in order to achieve desired outcomes. The uniqueness of P/HRM lies in its emphasis on people in work settings and its concern for the well-being and comfort of the human resources in an organization. This edition focuses on people who work directly in P/HRM as specialists, and those who, as employees (e.g., engineers, clerks, typists, machinists, chemists, teachers, nurses) are influenced by it.

In order to make the book interesting, scholarly, and practical, a number of pedagogical procedures were adopted:

- 1. Each chapter begins with a brief list of behavioral learning objectives, key terms that will be covered, and an outline of the chapter.
- 2. Each chapter is introduced by a short situation called P/HRM In Action, which emphasizes applied P/HRM techniques and issues. At various points in the chapter, and at its conclusion, the situation is further developed. The P/HRM In Action element highlights the chapter's content.
- 3. Most chapters use the diagnostic model that serves as the integrative framework of this book.
- 4. In most chapters, the role played by a P/HRM manager, specialist, or operating manager is described.
- 5. Most chapters include a P/HRM Manager Close-Up. These real-life personal viewpoints of P/HRM managers or specialists answer the question: "What does someone actually working in the P/HRM field do?"
- 6. Most chapters conclude with recommendations for the most effective use of P/HRM in seven kinds of organizations, which differ on the basis of size (number of employees), complexity of products or services, and degree to which products or services change over time.

- 7. Each chapter summary provides students with a handy, concise reference to the chapter's main points of interest.
- 8. Cases and experiential exercises at the end of various chapters reflect P/HRM issues, concerns, and problems faced in organizations such as Domino's Pizza, Dunkin' Donuts, GTE, Goldman, Sachs & Co., General Foods, IBM, Nucor, Levi Strauss, Ameritrust Bank, Bechtel Power, and Firestone Tire and Rubber. The realism offered by the cases and exercises illustrates the vital role played by P/HRM in organizations of all sizes.
- A comprehensive glossary of key terms is provided at the end of each chapter and the book.

The Parts and Appendixes

The revised edition consists of six parts. Part One, Introduction to Personnel/Human Resource Management and the Environment, contains three chapters. Chapter 1 defines the role of P/HRM in organizations. Chapter 2 provides the integrative model that is used throughout the book. Chapter 3 is a comprehensive treatment of equal employment opportunity laws and programs.

Part Two, Analysis, Planning, and Staffing, contains four chapters covering: job analysis and design, Chapter 4; human resource planning, Chapter 5; recruitment, Chapter 6; and selection, Chapter 7.

Part Three examines performance evaluation and compensation. Chapter 8 covers performance evaluation; Chapter 9, an overview of compensation; Chapter 10, compensation methods and policies of personnel; and Chapter 11, employee benefits and services.

Part Four, Training and Development for Better Performance, contains four chapters. Chapter 12 discusses orientation and training. Management and organizational development are covered in Chapter 13. Career planning and development is presented in Chapter 14. Discipline and the difficult employee is covered in Chapter 15.

Part Five, Labor Relations and Safety and Health, includes Chapters 16 and 17, on labor unions, and Chapter 18, on employee safety and health.

Part Six, Work Scheduling and Evaluation of Personnel/Human Resource Management includes two chapters. Chapter 19 covers work schedules and the quality of work life. Chapter 20 discusses procedures for evaluating the P/HRM function.

Three main appendixes were added to the last edition and are included in the fourth edition. Appendix A—Sources of Personnel/Human Resource Management Information, Facts, and Figures—was prepared by Paul N. Keaton of the University of Wisconsin, LaCrosse. This provides valuable sources of information that are useful in P/HRM.

Appendix B—Designing a P/HRM Measurement System—was prepared by Jac Fitz-enz, Ph.D., president of the Saratoga Institute. This appendix spells out the reasons why measurement is important and how a measurement system for the P/HRM unit can be developed and styled.

Appendix C—Career Planning—was prepared by the author of the text. It examines the important steps involved in career planning that each person

must accept responsibility for and initiate at the appropriate time. Each reader of the book must become actively involved in his or her own career plan.

New and Strengthened Features

The dynamic changes in personnel/human resource management required some alteration, deletion, and expansion of material presented in the previous edition. Instructor and student comments were reviewed and carefully considered in the course of the revision. In addition, numerous personnel/human resource experts in organizations have been interviewed in the past decade. These endeavors resulted in some new features which add to Bill Glueck's original ideas and views about P/HRM:

- A slightly revised diagnostic framework used throughout the book. The model is first presented in Exhibit 2–1.
- An updated and revised Chapter 3, The Law and Personnel/Human Resource Management. The increasing importance of laws, regulations, and court rulings to P/HRM activities continues to grow and needs to be constantly updated. This edition has more coverage of sexual harassment, the economic status of women, and EEO than previous editions.
- Computers play a growing role in P/HRM programs and activities. In many chapters, computer use in P/HRM practices is discussed.
- The P/HRM Manager Close-Up, sections started in the last edition are continued. Many of the managers discuss actual problems that they have or are working on in performing their P/HRM activities.
- Again, actual company forms, materials, and charts are used throughout this book. They were furnished and updated by P/HRM managers who wanted to share them with students and instructors.
- Coverage of the Immigration and Control Act of 1986 is introduced in the discussion of recruitment responsibilities of organizations.
- A much more focused and detailed coverage of comparable worth is provided. Different viewpoints of this issue are presented.
- Examples and some analysis of gainsharing programs are covered.
- The concerns about maternity/paternity leave and child care are expanded in this edition.
- The Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA) and the potential impact of noncompliance is covered.
- Changes in benefit programs brought about by the tax reform act of 1986 are considered and introduced.
- Mentoring and the impact it can have on the personal development of employees is discussed.
- Instead of examining discipline programs only in negative terms, we introduce the idea of positive discipline. Also, the notion of termination-at-will is discussed in Chapter 15.
- Union-management cooperation and the consequences of such interactions and arrangements is discussed in more detail in Chapter 17.
- Although the number of AIDS victims is escalating, very few American and Canadian firms are addressing the issue. The role that employers must play

to address AIDS in the workplace are spelled out in detail in Chapter 18. The coverage here is factual, thorough, and important.

Each of these new features was designed to (1) stimulate student interest in P/HRM as a field of study and as a set of programs and procedures that influence people within organizations; (2) clearly illustrate that P/HRM is a dynamic, changing field; (3) show by example that what is being discussed has both a theoretical rationale (often a research base) and offers practical useful applications in the "real world"—the organization; and (4) provide instructors with material, statistics, and illustrations that can help make the classroom experience more exciting. In essence, the third edition was written for students and instructors alike.

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