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Preface

This fourth edition of Principles of Criminal Procedure brings the book up-to-date through the 2010–2011 United States Supreme Court term. Otherwise the book continues to analyze criminal procedure case and concepts, and presents them in a concise and easy to understand way. The book includes all leading United States Supreme Court Cases and some important state court decisions, as well as commentary on those decisions.

In order to facilitate learning, each chapter begins with “focal points” designed to introduce students to the topic, and ends with “points to remember” designed to reinforce the concepts presented. These “focal points” and “points to remember” are designed to enhance understanding and learning.

In an effort to save space, this book does not include any footnotes. Rather than trying to create a treatise or encyclopedia, our goal was to create a student friendly book that is easy-to-use. For those students who might want to look up a case that we discuss, the book does include “U.S.” citations to United States Supreme Court decisions and relevant state citations. However, it does not include parallel cites.

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