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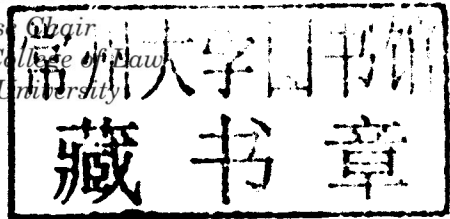
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To Pat, Helen, Annie and William

PREFACE

The casebook and the supplementary Teachers' Manual are designed to provide the materials for a three-credit, upper-class law school course on mergers and acquisitions. I have had great success and, well, fun with the course over many years and I offer these materials in the hope that you and your students will enjoy them as well. I recommend that students have available one of the soft cover, statutory supplements for the basic corporations course as they read this material or be able to call up on a computer the federal and state statutes and rules mentioned in the cases and text.

The Teachers' Manual can be acquired in hard copy or found on line at <http://lawschool.westlaw.com/TWEN>. The online version will feature updates on new events in M&A. A full set of power point slides for class, with diagrams on most of the edited cases in the text, may also be found on-line in my TWEN cite under "course materials" for my last taught class in M&A (taught every spring semester).

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