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PREFACE

he sixth edition of *Criminal Evidence* presents the basic concepts of criminal evidence applied in the criminal justice environment. *Criminal Evidence*, sixth edition, includes a description of the trial process, types of evidence, the rules relating to relevance, hearsay (including the Confrontation Clause), documentary evidence, qualification of witnesses, privileges, presumptions, judicial notice, photographs, and character. The text also presents the principles relating to the impact of the Constitution of the United States on the admissibility of evidence (i.e., search and seizure, admissions and confessions, the right to counsel, identification procedures). Finally, the text presents those principles relating to the law enforcement professional as a witness.

This text is written in a clear, lively, and personal style to appeal to criminal justice professionals and students on the way to becoming professionals. Special attention is given to helping students understand the legal aspects of the principles relating to the admissibility of evidence at a criminal court hearing or trial. Students often perceive the law as a complex of incomprehensible rules with uncertain application in the workplace. In *Criminal Evidence*, sixth edition, when an evidence principle is presented, an example or application to the real world of law enforcement immediately follows. Relevant court decisions that affect the admissibility of evidence are discussed in the text, but only to the extent necessary to illustrate the rules. All program components fit into an integrated learning system that helps students learn and apply important course concepts.

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CHAPTER OBJECTIVES

This chapter is an introduction to the law of evidence, the court process, personnel, and pretrial process from the law enforcement professional's viewpoint. After reading this chapter you will be able to:

- ▶ Explain what constitutes evidence.
- ▶ State the objectives of the rules of evidence.
- ▶ Name the most common version of evidence law in the United States.
- ▶ Describe the three basic police functions.
- ► Contrast the jobs of the prosecuting attorney and the defense attorney.
- Describe the dual court system in the United States.
- ▶ Define probable cause to arrest.
- ➤ State the two alternative ways that a defendant can be formally charged with a serious crime in the United States.