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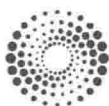
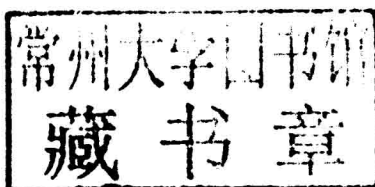
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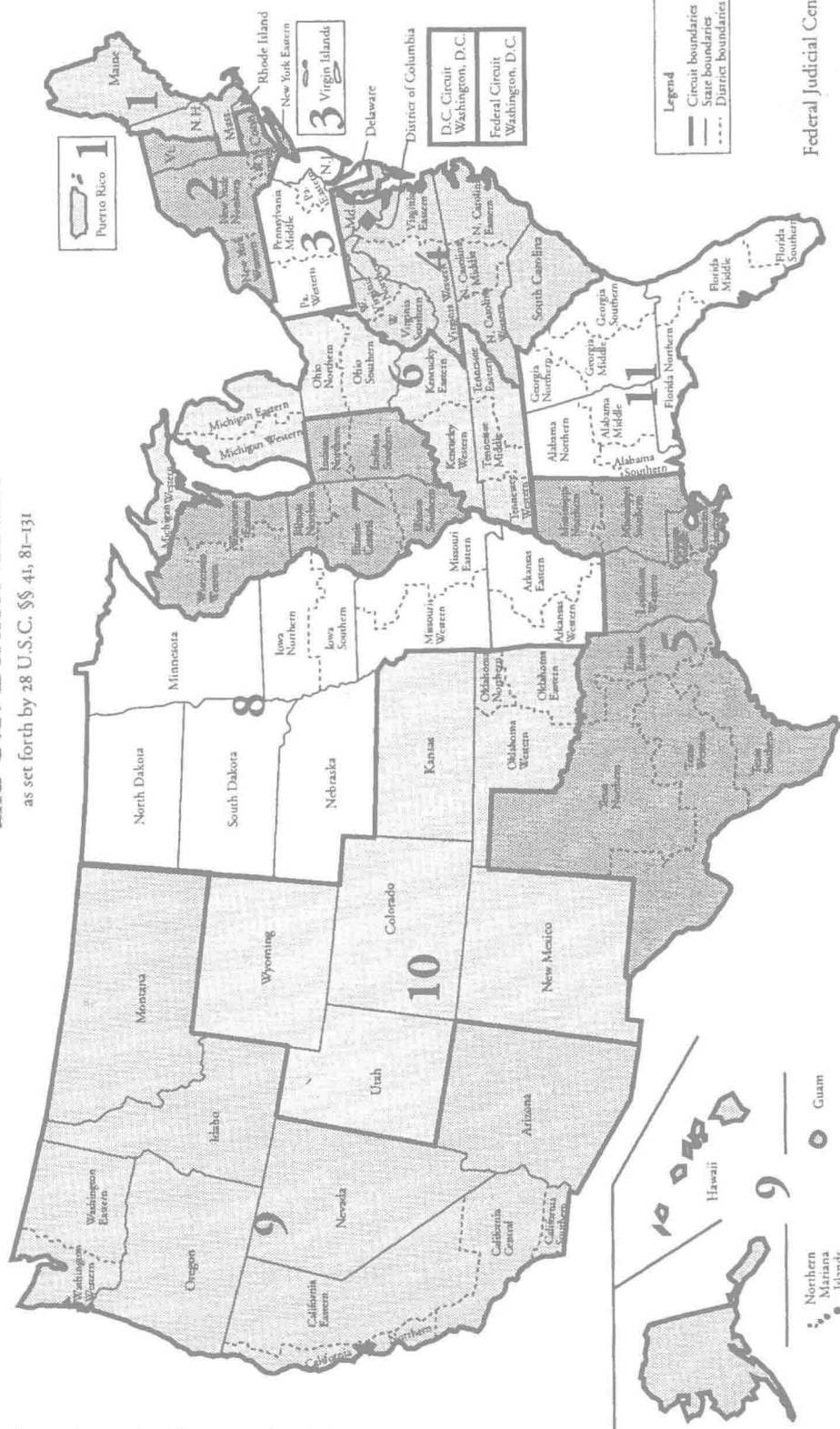
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PREFACE

The *Federal Criminal Rules Handbook* is written to be a practical, easy-to-use reference tool for courts, prosecutors and defense counsel handling federal criminal matters. It contains both the rules that are relied upon in criminal cases, as well as a guide to using those rules. Rather than having to rely on a multi-volume treatise, this book provides criminal practitioners with an “all-in-one” paperback that contains statutory and case law, as well as practical hints for handling criminal cases.

The book has an easy-to-follow organization. The main focus of the book is a rule-by-rule examination of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure. For each Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure, you are provided with the language of the rule, “Author’s Commentary” on the rule which provides a summary of its scope and purpose, and a subsection by subsection “Applications” discussion of how the rule is to be applied. With the use of frequent subheadings, the book allows the reader to quickly locate the law needed to apply the rules in any situation. At the end of each rule, there are references to other materials, including treatises and form books, that may be helpful in using the rules.

The *Handbook* also includes other sections and statutory sources that are important to federal criminal practitioners. One unique feature is that it has primers on key areas of federal criminal practice, including: federal criminal jurisdiction, federal criminal sentencing, search and seizure law, criminal appeals, and habeas corpus law. It also includes tools to assist in the handling of criminal cases, such as: (1) a time table for federal prosecutions; (2) a full-text reprint of the Advisory Notes to the Rules; (3) the Federal Rules of Evidence; (4) the Rules Governing 28 U.S.C.A. §§ 2254 and 2255 cases in the United States District Courts; (5) Procedures for Judicial Rulemaking; and (6) selected Federal Criminal Statutes.

The *Handbook* is updated annually. This edition is updated through cases decided by July 1, 2013 and all new Federal Rules going into effect on December 1, 2013. I should be pleased to incorporate in my editing process any recommendations you may have. To that end, I cordially encourage your suggestions, comments, and advice.

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