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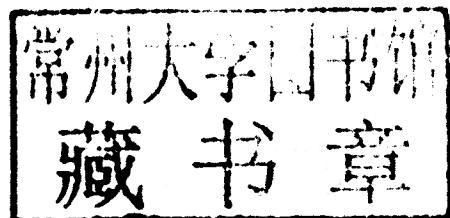
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PREFACE TO THE EIGHTH EDITION

The five years elapsed since the previous edition have sharpened the trends noted there: incessant technological advances, the increasingly international exploitation of works of authorship, and the relentless polemicizing of scholarly and even public discourse about copyright. One goal of this edition is to enable participants in the debate, whatever their positions, to be rigorously well-informed about the legislative and judicial developments underlying the current controversies.

This casebook also hopes to capture these developments in a way that is comprehensive, stimulating, and teachable. We have aimed to preserve the same general approach as in earlier editions, and the same general mix of materials, including primary and secondary sources, textual notes and problems for class discussion and visual illustrations.

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There has been a proliferation of specialized journals devoted to copyright and to allied fields (e.g., entertainment, computers, sports), and a manifold increase in the number of articles written in the field. Two of the leading journals in the field are the *Journal of the Copyright Society of the USA* and the *Columbia-VLA Journal of Law & the Arts*. Robert P. Merges and Jane C. Ginsburg, eds., *Foundations of Intellectual Property* (2004), offers a compendium of excerpts of historically significant articles, together with Notes and Questions based on more recent secondary sources.

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