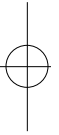
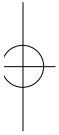
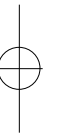


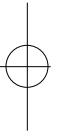
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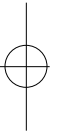
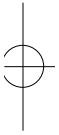
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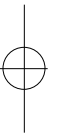
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Preface

This text grew out of my work with the Center for Victim Studies, administered by the Department of Criminal Justice at the University of North Texas over the past several years. I have participated in the Center's efforts to foster research and academic training regarding victims of crime and violence and have conducted victim-related research of my own. My research has primarily focused on the evolving rights and remedies which crime victims have obtained in the American criminal justice process over the past twenty years. This text represents the culmination of this research.

I believe that this text is unique in that it brings together a multi-faceted set of materials which reflects the evolution of crime victim rights and remedies in the years since President Reagan convened a Task Force on Victims of Crime in 1982. The recommendations made by this national Task Force served as a guide for the development of crime victim rights and remedies in this country. In this text, I have described the applicable constitutional and legislative provisions addressing crime victim rights and remedies, as well as leading judicial opinions which have interpreted them. In addition to presenting the current state of the law in this area, I have described the status of implementation of these rights and remedies, relevant empirical research, and a sampling of the pertinent policy analysis. This comprehensive portrait of the past and current status of crime victim rights and remedies in this country will hopefully inform the continued evolution of law and practice in this area.

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