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Introduction

This *Supplement* is designed for use with our Casebook, *Admiralty and Maritime Law in the United States* (2d ed. 2008), which is also published by Carolina Academic Press. It serves two purposes. The first part is a *Casebook Supplement*. Recent developments — four significant Supreme Court decisions — have made it necessary to supplement four passages of the Casebook. The material on pages 1–20 should accordingly be read in addition to the indicated Casebook passages.

The second part is a *Statutory Supplement*. It does not begin to include all of the statutory material that would be required to practice in the field, but it does include virtually all of the statutory material that a typical student would wish to consult in working through the teaching materials in the Casebook. Each source begins with a brief introductory passage to put the material in context. Further information is available in the appropriate section of the Casebook, or in standard references.

The statutory excerpts here could not be arranged in an order corresponding to the coverage in the Casebook itself (*i.e.*, the statutory material relevant to chapter I preceding that relevant to chapter II, and so on), for the simple reason that most of the material included here is relevant in more than one section of the Casebook. Indeed, the principal rationale for having the *Statutory Supplement* is to enable a student to refer to statutory authority when relevant without having to flip back and forth between different parts of the Casebook, and without having to reprint the same provision in more than one part of the Casebook.

Most of the *Statutory Supplement* consists of federal material, which is arranged in a hierarchical order — first the Constitutional provisions, then federal statutes, and finally federal rules. The federal statutes are, for the most part, arranged here in the same order that they have been codified in the United States Code. (Excerpts from the Federal Tort Claims Act, however, are reprinted together, starting on page 28.) The *Supplement* concludes with four international sources, which are arranged chronologically.

In editing these materials, we have used the same signals that we did in the Casebook. Omitted text is signaled by three asterisks. Inserted text is enclosed in brackets. Our own editorial footnotes are marked as such.