PREFACE

The eighth annual Ninth Circuit Survey is devoted to summary and analysis of decisions of the Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. This issue surveys cases which were decided between August 1, 1981 and July 31, 1982. Although the court of appeals sits throughout the year, this period will be referred to as the 1981-82 term.

Since not every noteworthy Ninth Circuit case could be thoroughly discussed, summaries of other important cases have been provided. These are arranged by subject matter and are entitled "Other Developments."

This issue includes biographies of recently appointed judges to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. We are also pleased to feature two articles, one based on the emerging issues surrounding cable television, the other upon recent developments in administrative law. Our sincere appreciation to Richard D. Harmon and Gilbert Gaynor for graciously making these contributions to the Survey.