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## PREFACE

Welcome to Volume 47 Issue Number 1 of the *Golden Gate University Law Review Ninth Circuit Survey*. The *Survey* is the only law review in the country dedicated exclusively to decisions issued by the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. The *Survey* provides students an opportunity to explore topics in depth by analyzing the underlying reasoning, effect, and implications on future law. The Notes in this edition highlight several pivotal decisions issued by the Ninth Circuit in recent years—each exploring a different area of law.

We would like to begin by extending a very heartfelt thank you to Judge Carlos T. Bea, who graciously provided the introduction to this edition of the *Survey*. Judge Bea was generous in sharing his experiences from when he was an attorney practicing before the Ninth Circuit and providing commentary about some of the court's history.

We would like to express our gratitude to Dean Van Cleave who remains an advocate for the journal and provides us with continued support. We are especially grateful for Deanne Morton who has our deepest gratitude for her editorial and Bluebook assistance. We also offer our thanks to each author for their articles. These Notes represent the culmination of our authors' time, passion, and devotion to critical issues.

As the Executive Ninth Circuit Survey Editors for the 2016-2017 year, we have been excited and inspired by many aspects of the Ninth Circuit from its judges and jurisprudence to its history and heritage. We have also been energized by the hard work and dedication of the 2016-2017 *Golden Gate University Law Review* Staff Writers, Associate Editors, and Executive Board Members who worked tirelessly to make this issue possible. A law review issue is never an individual effort, but instead the result of much collaboration. It is our privilege to present this edition of the *Golden Gate University Law Review Ninth Circuit Survey*.

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