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This eleventh annual edition of the Ninth Circuit Survey covers cases decided by the court during the preceding eighteen months. In the form of Articles, Notes and Summaries, this issue highlights, analyzes, and summarizes recent developments in federal law.

The two articles selected for the issue should be of particular interest to practitioners in the West. The article on Hawaiian water rights and federal jurisdiction by Williamson B.C. Chang focuses on both substantive water law and the philosophical issues surrounding federal review of state court decisions. The article by Lester J. Marston and David A. Fink argues for a new analysis and application of the Indian Commerce Clause.

Through the variety of topics and depth of analysis, it is hoped that this issue of the Golden Gate University Law Review will be of interest to practitioners, students and researchers.

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