

Preface

This book has been written by physicians for physicians. Each contributor is a board certified pathologist who is licensed to practice medicine. Two practice as forensic pathologists, and one practices as a director of laboratory medicine. Each has testified as an expert witness in court many times. None has formal training as an attorney. The information in this book is a product of our experience as pathologists interacting with the American legal system. Some of the information comes from reading and some from talking with attorneys, but mostly it comes from the school of hard knocks that we have attended while dealing with attorneys and testifying in court. Our purpose is to present a physician's-eye view of court to physicians so that if you as a physician are ever called to court, the judicial process will not seem so alien.

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