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## INTRODUCTION

The *Florida Style Manual* supplements the standard citation authority for American legal journals, *A Uniform System of Citation* (Bluebook). The *Manual* is an outgrowth of the *Florida State University Law Review's* annual *Review of Florida Legislation*. From the conception of that project, the editors realized that citations to many Florida-specific sources—particularly those generated by the Florida Legislature—would be rendered almost meaningless if conventional Bluebook citation forms were followed. Other Florida sources were not addressed at all by the Bluebook. This *Florida Style Manual* is the product of their struggle to develop meaningful citation forms for Florida materials.

Publishing a legal journal is a cooperative venture on the part of many people. The author's work is at the heart of this undertaking. We at the *Florida State University Law Review* hope this style manual will result in better manuscripts that ultimately will advance legal scholarship and public policy-making in Florida. The *Law Review* is especially indebted to Floyd R. Self, the 1985 Legislative Editor, and to Sandra Bower Ross, Volume 15 Articles and Notes Editor, for their work in developing these citation forms and for making the *Florida Style Manual* a reality. The *Law Review* welcomes comments or suggestions for improvement.

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