Texas Juvenile Law, 8th Edition

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Texas Juvenile Law, 8th Edition, is a complete reference source for Texas juvenile justice personnel and is a must for all juvenile court judges, juvenile probation personnel, juvenile prosecutors, juvenile defense attorneys, family law attorneys, law enforcement personnel and school personnel. The first seven editions of this book published by the Texas Juvenile Probation Commission were written by the late Robert O. Dawson, renowned University of Texas Law Professor and the foremost expert on juvenile law in Texas for the past three decades. Professor Dawson died in February 2005 but his book continues as updated, with editing by the Texas Juvenile Justice Department’s Legal Division and a select group of guest editors, many of whom are board-certified juvenile law judges, prosecutors and defense attorneys. The 8th Edition will remain an essential reference book on Texas juvenile law and will continue Professor Dawson’s proud tradition.

ABOUT THE BOOK
The 8th Edition of Texas Juvenile Law is the most comprehensive reference book on Texas juvenile law and the juvenile justice system and includes both a perfect bound copy of the book and a searchable CD-ROM for easy, electronic reference. It reflects juvenile justice reforms made by the 82nd Texas Legislature in 2011, and Volume I contains chapters regarding the Juvenile Justice Information System, Juvenile Files and Records, Determine Sentencing, Juvenile Procedures in Justice and Municipal Courts, Recent Appellate Court Decisions in Juvenile Cases, School Related Issues, Progressive Sanctions, Chapter 55, Parental Rights and Responsibilities and much, much more. This edition will include new chapters on Juvenile Board Duties and Responsibilities, Facilities and the newly created Texas Juvenile Justice Department. Volume II contains all pertinent statutes affecting the juvenile justice system, including the administrative rules (standards) of the Texas Juvenile Justice Department (formerly Texas Juvenile Probation Commission and the Texas Youth Commission) as published in the Texas Administrative Code. This volume will also include national standards related to the Civil Rights of Institutionalized Persons Act (CRIPA) and Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA).

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