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A BIBLIOGRAPHY ON DRUG TESTING IN THE WORKPLACE

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The following bibliography on mandatory drug testing has been compiled to accompany the Symposium on Drug Testing in the Workplace presented by the *Journal of Law and Health* on November 21, 1986, at the Cleveland-Marshall College of Law.¹ It is hoped that this bibliography will benefit not only legal educators and law students, but also the practicing attorney, librarians, employers and employees in the private and public sector, and those whose research and interests require an understanding of the issues raised by this subject.

In compiling this bibliography it was intended that the scope of the bibliography be as clearly defined as possible. Much has been written both in recent months and over the years on the subject of drug abuse and the various rehabilitation programs offered by employers to employees. However, it was felt that these aspects lay outside of the scope of this bibliography, for it was hoped to cover the issues (legal, economic and social) raised by the introduction of compulsory drug testing into the workplace (for our purposes we did not distinguish between the workplace, the schoolyard and the sports field for it was felt that, by and large, similar issues were raised in these three locations). This bibliography is an attempt to provide a comprehensive listing of those publications which offer at least some treatment of the issues, concerns, and procedures involved in mandatory drug testing.

The majority of the publications listed have been released since 1984, and most are journal articles dealing with the legal implications of urinalysis and other forms of drug and alcohol testing. However, despite the proliferation of publications on the subject in recent years, it would be wrong to think that little or no research had been done on this subject prior to the 1980's. Mandatory drug testing has long been regarded as a sensitive issue in the armed forces, and has been recognized, at least since the early 1970's, by employers in certain sectors of the economy as a possible "remedy" to the problems of alcohol and drug abuse in the workplace. Furthermore, the issues raised by

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drug testing are of an interdisciplinary nature, and extend beyond the boundaries of the legal profession into a wide range of fields including personnel management and sociology.

The publications included in this bibliography are those which address the legal implications, the diagnostic and medical implications, and the managerial implications of mandatory drug testing in a scholarly manner. In an attempt to provide the reader with some form of subject division within the bibliography the authors have adopted this tripartite structure, however, the interdisciplinary nature of the literature does not allow for the easy division of the publications listed, and it is quite possible that the reader may disagree with the way certain material has been categorized. Those publications which were felt to be either too technical or too journalistic were excluded from the bibliography.

It is perhaps worth highlighting some of the publications which it is felt are extremely useful in their treatment of mandatory drug testing. A series of articles by Professor Stanley Grupp in the early 1970's on the now outdated method of the nalline test can be seen as a classic study on the various aspects of drug screening. However, Grupp's articles focus upon the law enforcement aspects of anti-narcotic tests outside of the workplace, furthermore, the methods of testing have now been greatly improved upon. More recently, articles by Professor Michael Susser and by Professor Robert Angarola, have brought the legal implications of testing to the fore while also recognizing the personnel management aspects of this issue. Congress and the Administration have also contributed to the body of literature available on drug testing through the passage of legislation and the issuance of an Executive Order announcing the government's intent to test public employees. A strong overview of the procedures, implications, and problems involved in the screening of workers may be found in a study issued by the Bureau of National Affairs, entitled *Alcohol and Drugs in the Workplace: Costs, Controls, and Controversies* (1986).

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