

## Preface

Welcome to the third printing of the Second Edition of *The Americans with Disabilities Act: Responsibilities for Postsecondary Institutions Serving Deaf and Hard of Hearing Students*. This work represents questions that were received, but could not be responded to during the limited time we had for our two satellite conferences, May 8, 1997 and March 19, 1998.

The questions in this manual are organized by topic areas: Literacy, Auxiliary Services – Interpreting, Notetaking, and Captioning, Vocational Rehabilitation, Administration, Residence Halls, and Equipment. Each area, except for Vocational Rehabilitation, is lead by answers from Ms. Kincaid, followed by my answers that are enclosed in text boxes. Our rationale for this is to separate answers that are given by Ms. Kincaid as an attorney, and those I have responded to as an ADA and 504 trainer. We must caution the reader not to construe Ms. Kincaid’s responses as legal opinions, but rather as technical assistance based on the limited facts offered. . For questions or comments about the manual, please contact Sharaine J. Rawlinson, WROCC (Western Region Outreach Center & Consortia) Materials Development Specialist at [sharaine.rawlinson@csun.edu](mailto:sharaine.rawlinson@csun.edu).

In the Vocational Rehabilitation section, there is a lengthy response from Mr. Frederic K. Schroeder, former Commissioner of Rehabilitation Services, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, U.S. Department of Education, in response to questions sent to him. The staff of MCPO wish to extend their appreciation to Mr. Schroeder and his staff for responding so thoroughly to our questions.

The response to the First Edition and Second Editions of this manual was overwhelmingly positive. The demand for this book continues to be high and we are pleased to be able to offer a second printing of the Second Edition. I want to convey my appreciation to Jeanne Kincaid, Esq., for her collaboration with me on this effort. I want to thank the staff of the Midwest Center for Postsecondary Outreach for their support, especially Patty Brill who completed the final formatting. MCPO extends its sincere appreciation to members of our satellite panels, Ms. Theresa Johnson, Dr. Patty Hughes, Dr. Edward L. Franklin, and Ms. Marta Belsky. Special recognition is extended to David Buchkoski, Patty Brill, Dr. Debra Wilcox Hsu and Sue Wickstrom for their able coordination of these teleconferences.

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