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FEDERAL CRIMINAL DISCOVERY: *"A TOOL FOR TRUTH"*

FOREWORD

> *"Discovery, basically a tool for truth, is the most effective device yet devised for the reduction of the aspect of the adversary element to a minimum."*[1]

In May 1963, the Judicial Conference of the District of Columbia Circuit held a symposium on "Discovery in Federal Criminal Cases." Now, thirty-six years later, we examine federal criminal discovery with many new developments. Computerization and globalization are just some of the new aspects that influence our present discovery process. Constitutional, as well as practical, concerns remain significant issues. This symposium offers the views of academics, prosecutors, defense attorneys, and judges as they reflect on the controversies in federal criminal discovery.

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1. State v. Tune, 13 N.J. 203, 98 A.2d 881, 895 (1953) (Brennan, J., dissenting).

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