

**FOREWORD**

I am pleased to present the 1986 Edition of the Florida Administrative Code Annotated. The 1986 Edition of the Code is the product of the Department of State's continuing efforts to improve the Code and make it more accessible to the citizens of Florida.

Based on our experience with the 1982 hardbound version of the Code, it became clear to us that a loose-leaf edition with monthly supplements would result in a more current Code and one that is far easier to update. Furthermore, based on a survey of Code users, we learned that a majority favored the Code in a loose-leaf format. Besides the convenience of the loose-leaf edition, it could be produced at a lower cost for our users. Thus, the 1986 Edition of the Code is published in a loose-leaf format.

We have also improved and expanded the annotations to include, among others, federal cases and administrative hearings orders. We did this in consultation with the General Counsels of many state agencies. Moreover, direct "on-line" computer access to the Code is now available.

I am excited by the 1986 Edition of the Code and the improvements that have been made and I dedicate the 1986 Edition of the Florida Administrative Code to the citizens of Florida.

Sincerely,

Secretary of State

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