Collateral Consequences of Criminal Conviction:  
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Today, many millions of Americans have a criminal record of some kind, potentially triggering a vast array of highly burdensome and stigmatizing consequences that can have life-long debilitating effects. This volume provides comprehensive discussion and analysis of these after-effects of the nation’s ongoing “tough on crime” policies, ranging from loss of civil rights and employment opportunities, to registration and residency restrictions. It serves as a single go-to resource for practicing lawyers, judges, and policymakers as they negotiate the often-complex and sometimes-obscure statutes and regulations that come into play as a result of arrest and conviction.  

Highlighted features:  

- Describes specific types of consequences, including firearms dispossession, licensing and contracting bars, travel restrictions, immigration consequences, and sex offender registration  
- Addresses legal and ethical duties of counsel and courts  
- Analyzes constitutional law aspects of collateral consequences  
- Explains varied methods of rights restoration and preservation in different U.S. jurisdictions  
- Covers criminal practice-related issues (charging, negotiating pleas, sentencing, appeals and collateral relief)  
- Addresses access to criminal records and regulation of criminal background checking  
- Discusses current and possible future law reform efforts (ALI/MPC, state initiatives, etc.)  

Appendices contain summaries of state and federal laws on restoration of rights and status, and key documents on law reform proposals.  

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