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DAVID CLURMAN

PREFACE

During the past 10 years, office real estate and its associated investment and expenses have become increasingly important to business and professional firm executives. While once the responsibility for selecting, negotiating, and moving in to new office space may have been relegated to relatively underpaid employees, increasingly this responsibility and decision making has drawn the attention of the most senior executives and partners of organizations. There are many reasons why senior members are interested in this area now: (1) the expense of real estate, (2) the impact on productivity, (3) the advent of office technologies and automation, and (4) the impact on future strategic direction.

The field of tenant representation has become highly professionalized and involves many technical, legal, and financial specialties. Organizations and divisions of existing firms have been organized soley for the purpose of assisting and representing tenants in planning implementing tenant moves to new office space.

Frequently, many of the decision makers for companies and professional firms have little, if any, practical experience or knowledge of the many subjects involved. This book is designed to meet the needs of the intelligent tenant, and particularly the non-real estate professionals who are responsible for making these decisions.

This book also is designed to meet the needs of the various professionals who work together to implement these sometimes highly complex endeavours: designers, architects, engineers, telecommunication spe-

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cialists, attorneys, contractors, tax advisors, art consultants, psychologists, real estate brokers, real estate consultants, and financial analysts. With this in mind, the leading experts in their respective areas have contributed chapters on their particular specialties.

Also addressed in this text are the sophisticated technological issues now involved in office tenancy decisions, and issues involved in the socalled high tech or intelligent building.

This book is not a legal tome or form book for negotiating agreements nor is it a how to book on "how to best your landlord." Rather it is a book to provide the basic information needed for decision makers to function intelligently in this complex and jargon-filled area.

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