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1986

the focus of this manual is not what provisions to include in a given contract but instead how to express those provisions in prose that is free of the problems that often afflict contracts

Manual on Usage & Style

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Guide to Legal Writing Style

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2011

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sentence and paragraph structure and effective transitions the manual ends with conventions inspired less by consensus than by the reader's reliance on consistency such as whether and what to capitalize or how to treat abbreviations symbols and lists for these it matters less what the writer or editor chooses to do than that the choice be consistently applied such details should never distract from the sense of what is being written in short the lawyer's editing manual will help legal writers craft or edit clear concise connected prose it is an invaluable tool to ensure that the writer's message reaches the reader's understanding enhanced not impeded by the form of its communication

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1991

announcement and order form

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