

**Developments in the Law in 2013:
Administrative Law
With Additional Remarks on the Developments in 2012**

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Abstract

As the encounter of academic study and legal practice sets forth the robust developments in administrative law, legal practice remains the focal point of administrative law studies in 2012-13. This article, on the one hand, provides an analysis of significant laws and procedures in the previous two years, including laws concerning organizational reform of the Executive Yuan, the Personal Information Protection Act, and the 2011 amendment to Administrative Litigation Act. On the other hand, this article evaluates judicial decisions in the time frame that represent rising issues, such as extinctive prescription in public law, preliminary injunction, state compensation, the implementation of Article 14 of the Environmental Impact Assessment Act, and the distinction between adverse actions of a punitive nature and of a non-punitive nature. Setting the judicial decisions in the developments of basic principles, of the tasks and the acting of the public administration, and of administrative litigation, this article predicts challenges of administrative law that lie ahead and suggests future trajectories of administrative law studies.

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