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***The Public Trust Doctrine:
Some Jurisprudential Variations and Their Implications***

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Thomas W. Merrill, a well-known scholar in property and administrative law, is the Charles Evans Hughes Professor of Law at Columbia Law School. He was previously a professor of law at Yale Law School and Northwestern University School of Law. He served as Deputy Solicitor General in the Department of Justice from 1987 to 1990. Professor Merrill has undergraduate degrees from Grinnell College and Oxford University, and a law degree from the University of Chicago. Professor Merrill writes widely in the areas of property and administrative law, and is the author of several books and over 75 scholarly articles. He is the author of *The Origins of the American Public Trust Doctrine: What Really Happened in Illinois Central* (University of Chicago Law Review)(with Joseph D. Kearney) and is currently working on a book on the role of public rights doctrines in the development of the Chicago Lake Front.

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