ABSTRACT

ADMINISTRATIVE DISCRETION AND ITS AMENABILITY TO JUDICIAL REVIEW

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The intensification of government has made its functions even more complex. It has become difficult to provide solution for every conceivable situation. To simplify the functions, ample space is given for exercise of administrative discretion by the administrative authority. It facilitates effective delivery of services and individualization of the administrative power. This paper seeks to explore the term Administrative discretion. This paper analyses the meaning of administrative discretion given by Black's Law dictionary and prominent jurists viz. Ernest Freund and Lord Diplock. An attempt has been made to examine the reviewing powers of the judiciary in case of arbitrary administrative decisions. The paper further discusses the principle grounds upon which the judiciary has intervened and reviewed the decisions taken by the administrative authorities, while doing so the author has quoted various judgments.

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