

PART I



THE FRAMEWORK

I... believe with Faulkner, "The past is never dead, it is not even past,"... its facts are always what has become... In other words, it is quite true that the past haunts us; it is the past's function to haunt us who are present and wish to live in the world as it really is, that is, has become what it is now.

—Hannah Arendt¹