

## Editors' Comments

This edition of the USAFA *Journal of Legal Studies* marks our tenth year of work. As such, it is our pleasure to have included in this edition along with this comment, a foreword by one of the first editors of the *Journal*, Lieutenant Colonel Michael Schmitt. Throughout this year's work on the *Journal*, he has continued to provide valuable guidance and advice. With assistance from Lieutenant Colonel Schmitt and others we have made significant accomplishments. The most noteworthy was the establishment of a Board of Advisors for the *Journal*. This group of distinguished scholars, judges, editors, and practitioners will, we believe, contribute a great deal to the development of the *Journal* in future years.

Also, we have continued with the trend in modernization by obtaining agreement to include this volume as well as past volumes of the *Journal* in the computerized Lexis-Nexis database and by again placing this volume on our web site at [www.usafa.af.mil/dfl](http://www.usafa.af.mil/dfl). We are confident that the expanded access and search capability that these measures provide will result in wider dissemination of the quality articles included in the *Journal*.

In addition to updating our computerized and international distribution, the *Journal* has garnered an updated cover. We hope that it captures your interest and will encourage you to pick it up often and read the articles and publication reviews contained therein. We believe the mix of ideas from both internationally known and newly budding scholars and cadets from both the Air Force Academy and the Coast Guard Academy, strikes the balance that the *Journal* was intended to meet. It serves not only as a scholarly work but also as a teaching and learning tool for cadet contributors, editors and readers.

We would very much like to thank all of the contributors, our colleagues, and the student editors for the great work they have done on this edition of the *Journal*. They have greatly lightened our load and we wish them the best in the next ten years of publication.

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