Introduction

We wish to thank all of the authors featured in this issue for their support. In particular, we are excited to present an interesting selection of articles spotlighting China ranging from comparative study of laws of assembly in China and Taiwan to history of law, norms, and social control in imperial China.

Additionally, as a law journal organized and run by students, we are excited to continue to bring more articles penned by students. We believe providing a forum for students and scholars alike to impart knowledge and insight on Asian-Pacific law and policy enables all of us to better keep a pulse on the ever-changing dynamics in Asia and the Pacific. In this issue, we are proud to feature articles by two recent William S. Richardson School of Law alumni. Jessica Stabile discusses clashes between consumerism and conservation in Taiwan and Hong Kong. Blaine Rogers expounds on the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the public land trust, and a heightened standard of fiduciary duty.

Finally, I am grateful to the board members, editors, and staff of the journal for their extraordinary efforts in juggling the realities of life, law school, and the “jealous mistress” masked as this law journal in the past academic year.

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