

Letter from the Editor

Dear Reader:

The Georgetown Journal of Law & Public Policy proudly presents the first issue of Volume 22. This issue features a selection of articles on pressing, timely legal and policy issues including a series of articles presented at the Georgetown Center for the Constitution's Ninth Annual Salmon P. Chase Distinguished Lecture and Faculty Colloquium.

Although the Ninth Annual Salmon P. Chase Lecture series concludes a long-standing partnership with the Georgetown Center for the Constitution, the Center and its Director, Randy Barnett, remain close friends of the Journal. The ninth annual lecture and colloquium, published here, honors Frederick Douglass and his vision for an anti-slavery Constitution. The colloquium includes a lecture by Peter C. Myers, followed by articles written by Gregory M. Collins, Dr. Helen Knowles-Gardner, Bradley Rebeiro, and Diana J. Schaub. The Center for the Constitution has always generated scholarship of the highest quality on important constitutional issues, and this year is no exception.

Following the Salmon P. Chase Lecture and Faculty Colloquium, the issue presents articles and notes from academics, practitioners, and students. Jack Buckley Disorbo discusses the implications that follow when appellate courts hold their mandates; Paul J. Larkin questions whether the Eighth Amendment has anything to say about camping on public property; and Alex MacDonald explores the relationship between unions, exclusive representation, and the First Amendment. Georgetown Law students Bennett Cho-Smith, Grayson Kuehl, and Jenna Liffhits impressively posit arguments on topics ranging from consumer protection litigation, the Republican Party, and sentencing for trade secret theft.

It has been a privilege to work alongside the very dedicated Editorial Board of the Journal to present scholarship worthy of the Georgetown Journal of Law & Public Policy's esteemed reputation. It would not have been possible without the leadership of the Editorial Board and the hard work of the Staff Editors. Finally, on behalf of everyone who has worked on Volume 22, Issue 1 of the Georgetown Journal of Law & Public Policy, I would like to thank our readers for their continued dedication in exploring some of the most difficult questions in academia, legal practice, and American politics. I hope that the following content is impactful, insightful, and enjoyable.

Sincerely,

Jerry Blake Blevins
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