EDITOR’S NOTE

To the Reader:

Welcome to Volume VI of the *Suffolk Journal of Trial & Appellate Advocacy*. As in years past, this Journal reflects the Suffolk University Law School Moot Court Board’s commitment to publishing articles that address current issues facing both trial attorneys and the legal community. The articles in this edition raise important public policy issues as well, including the use of environmental citizen lawsuits, the validity of same sex marriages, and the problem of racial profiling during traffic stops. The Editorial Board hopes that the *Journal* will serve as a resource for both practical information attorneys can use in the courtroom, and a discussion of how the law impacts public policy.

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