Editor's Note

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EDITOR’S NOTE

Dear Reader:

On behalf of the Suffolk University Law School Moot Court Honor Board, I am honored to present the second issue in Volume XXVIII of the *Suffolk Journal of Trial & Appellate Advocacy*. This issue contains eight student-written pieces from Moot Court Honor Board’s third-year staff. Each piece is designed to provide insight and be of practical use to lawyers and judges at both the trial and appellate levels.

The student-written pieces discuss the following legal topics and cases:

- An analysis of the evolution of drug offense sentencing schemes, the disproportionate application of sentencing enhancements to career offenders, and statutory remedies that advance equal sentencing among career offenders (Marisa Chamberland);
- An exploration of district courts’ inherent authority to unseal grand jury records, Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure § 6(e), and a proposed reform to allow disclosure for records of historical significance (Jessica Vedrani);
- An analysis of personal jurisdiction in internet-based disputes, and suggestions to allow traditional notions of personal jurisdiction to expand into the internet-based world of the Twenty-First century (Ian McReynolds);
- An evaluation of the deference applied in Individualized Education Program implementation, the Fifth Circuit’s shortcomings in providing recourse, and a proposed application of the current standard of review to ensure educational benefits are properly conferred upon all students who qualify under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (Katie Groves);
- An alternative analysis of conferring Constitutional standing for consumers suffering emotional harms as a result of unfair debt collection practices and the impact applying this standard will have on protecting future consumers to bring their actions to court (Emily LaRovere); and
- An exploration of the judicial bypass process of parental notification and consent for abortion-seeking minors, an analysis of the limited guidelines available for courts to identify qualifying minors, and an urgent call to action with suggestions to improve the process's accessibility in a post-*Dobbs* United States of America (Meaghan Rose Costello).

I sincerely appreciate the hard work of our twenty-four staff members of the Moot Court Honor Board, who worked diligently to edit and cite-check these pieces throughout the semester. A special thanks to our Managing Editor, Angela Bartucca, who provided exceptional support for our staffers and editors; our Executive Editor, Ian Luciano, whose dedication was vital throughout the editing process; and our Associate Managing Editor, Rebecca Brownell, who provided essential editing assistance and diligently formatted this issue. I would also like to thank our President, Christina Batista, and Vice President, Trevor Larned Stark, for their continued support throughout the compilation of this Journal; Michayla Woodward and Connor Krupke, for their assistance during executive editing; and our Associate Executive Editors, Shannah Colbert, Connor Krupke, Julia Nasiek, and Shiri Pagliuso for providing quality editorial feedback and encouraging staff members throughout the editing process. Thank you to Kori Dean, the prior Editor-in-Chief of the *Suffolk Journal of Trial & Appellate Advocacy*, for
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I sincerely thank you for reading our second issue in Volume XXVIII of the *Suffolk Journal of Trial & Appellate Advocacy*. I am confident that judges, practitioners, professors, and students will benefit from our scholarship. I hope that you will find this Issue thought-provoking, relevant, and useful.

Sincerely,

Allison Eddy

Editor-in-Chief