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PREFACE TO THE TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY ISSUE

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This year's Volume marks the 20th anniversary of the *William & Mary Bill of Rights Journal*. Our journal began with nothing more than a small group of dedicated students who recognized the need for a journal that provided timely, unique, and important commentary in the context of constitutional law. Today, our journal continues to pursue our founders' mission, and to strive for excellence in every issue. The work of the men and women who have come before us have made our publication the fourth-ranked constitutional law journal in the nation, and put us among the top 100 student-edited law journals in the United States.

To commemorate this significant achievement, we asked authors who published in the *Journal*'s first five volumes to revisit the subject matter of their original articles. Those authors are Gerald G. Ashdown, Tom W. Bell, Sandra Davidson, Jan G. Laitos, Henry H. Perritt, Jr., and Martin H. Redish. Their very interesting work shows the dynamic nature of constitutional law in the United States and the continuing value of a publication that can serve as a forum for discussion, debate, and innovation.

This 20th anniversary represents an extraordinary milestone for the *William & Mary Bill of Rights Journal*. In the coming years, we hope to continue to serve as a premier venue for constitutional conversations. For now, the Volume 20 Editorial Board, with the gracious contributions of our distinguished lecturers and professors, is pleased to present this celebration of the mission and accomplishments of the *William & Mary Bill of Rights Journal*.

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