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## FOREWORD

### **Celebrating the 125th Anniversary of the Notre Dame Law School**

This year marks the Notre Dame Law School's 125th year of continuous operation. This issue of the *Notre Dame Law Review* is our contribution to the anniversary celebration.

We asked a few of the Law School's many distinguished graduates to contribute their reflections on legal education at Notre Dame. They are Robert Michael Greene, Class of 1969; Peter T. King, Class of 1968; Patrick McCartan, Class of 1959; and Hon. Martha Vazquez, Class of 1978. We are grateful as well to Hon. Paul V. Niemeyer, Class of 1966, who prepared an essay for the issue.

The *Law Review* also sponsored a lecture series over the 1993-94 academic year as part of the Law School's anniversary celebration. A diverse group of speakers addressed a broad range of timely and provocative topics of interest to our academic community. The lectures of Senator Dan Coats and Dr. Russell Kirk are published in the issue. Professor J. Clay Smith, Jr., a victim of this winter's brutal weather, never made it out of Washington, D.C. to deliver his lecture. His paper, however, appears as an article. Also appearing as an article is the paper of Dr. John Finnis, which elaborates on his lecture at the Law School.

Following student notes and a case comment, we conclude with the jurisprudential reflections of Notre Dame Law Professor Edward J. Murphy, an essay he graciously wrote for the anniversary issue. Professor Murphy joined the Notre Dame Law School faculty in 1957. Since the fall of 1958, he has taught Contracts to every student who has entered the Law School. In fact, Professor Murphy has taught more Notre Dame law students than any other teacher in the history of the school. In recognition of his commitment to the students of Notre Dame, we dedicate the 125th anniversary issue of the *Notre Dame Law Review* to Professor Murphy. He exemplifies what it means to be a Notre Dame lawyer.

This 125th anniversary is a milestone for the Law School. The *Notre Dame Law Review*, with the gracious contributions of alumni, distinguished lecturers, *Law Review* members, and Professor Murphy, is pleased to celebrate the mission of the Notre Dame Law School.

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