PREFACE

This year has seen some major changes for the *East Asia Law Review*. We have become an institution with a presence both on campus and in the larger academic community.

Some of the most important steps this year have been in our effort to increase the impact of our scholars' works. To that end, we radically revamped our website to improve access to our articles and information about *East Asia Law Review* sponsored events. We have also secured cataloging agreements with Westlaw and HeinOnline, two of the most important players in today's world of legal scholarship, and we applied for and received an ISSN, which should make it easier for libraries to catalog the *Review*. Additionally, we created a mailing list to alert our readers when new issues are published. We anticipate that these changes will make the *East Asia Law Review* a serious contender as the most important law journal in its field.

At an institutional level, the *East Asia Law Review* has drastically increased its presence here at Penn Law. This year we worked closely with student groups on campus, including the International Human Rights Association and the International Law Organization, to sponsor numerous events. Aside from our participation in and planning of academic and career-planning events for our members, we made strides in our network of supporters amongst the law school's administrators, faculty, and staff. We also hosted a number of exciting lectures, including those given by Professor Jerome Cohen on criminal justice in China and Taiwan, Professor Zhiyuan Guo on mental examinations in Chinese capital trials, Professor Chen Dong on legal aid in Xinjiang, and our own Professor Jacques deLisle on Chinese product safety regulation.

This year's Executive Board went above and beyond the call of duty in taking on some of the monumental entrepreneurial projects that have long since faded in the memories of journals with a longer history. All of our editors contributed to a resoundingly successful year for the *East Asia Law Review*, and we would like to thank them all.

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