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## **INTRODUCTION TO THE JUDGE JAMES R. BROWNING SYMPOSIUM SERIES**

In 1994, the Montana Law Review, with the generous financial support of Jack Hursh, commenced the Judge James R. Browning, Montana Law Review Symposium Series. Mr. Hursh is a 1982 graduate of The University of Montana School of Law, a former clerk to Judge Browning, and a partner in the Ritchey Fisher Whitman & Klein law firm in Palo Alto, California.

As Mr. Hursh observed at the time, "It is fitting that the Montana Law Review's Symposium Series be dedicated to the Honorable James R. Browning."<sup>1</sup> A former Editor-In-Chief of the Montana Law Review, Judge Browning's distinguished career has carried him to the halls of the United States Supreme Court, where he served as a clerk to the Chief Justice of the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. His contributions to the profession are a model for all who attend The University of Montana School of Law.

It is equally fitting that, in this first issue of the new millennium, the Montana Law Review is publishing excerpts from the 1999 Browning Symposium on Cyberlaw – one of the fastest growing areas of law, and one that is sure to change the very nature of the practice of law. For two days in October of 1999, experts from throughout the country gathered at the law school, to discuss, debate and envision the future of technology and the law. Excerpts from the Symposium will be included in both editions of Volume 61.

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1. Jack Hursh, *A Tribute to Judge James R. Browning*, 56 Mont. L. Rev. 1 (1995).