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Welcome to the third issue of *The Richmond Journal of Law and Technology's* seventh publication term! The 2000-2001 academic year has proved to be one of the most productive and exciting in the *Journal's* decorated history. Our [Editorial Board](#) and [staff](#) have done a phenomenal job on the *Journal's* seventh volume and we are very proud of the issue we have worked to prepare for you today.

We follow our special symposium issue with a return to providing our readers with scholarly coverage of relevant issues in technology law. This issue will cover a number of fascinating and fast-developing areas of law that I hope you will find informative and worthwhile. Among the topics discussed are the treatment of cybercrime in the states, the impact of the Internet on both medicine and legal ethics, and the Virginia Uniform Computer Information Transactions Act ("UCITA").

UCITA is of particular interest to us, as we will be holding a [symposium](#) on that act on March 2, 2001. Once it takes effect on July 1, 2001, the act will have a profound impact on software transactions in Virginia. Any person or entity who uses, licenses or manufactures software will be affected, as will attorneys representing those persons. I strongly encourage you to attend the conference. Our [speakers](#) include experts who helped the Virginia legislature craft the statute, and individuals with a unique understanding of the ramifications of UCITA in practice.

Returning to the topic at hand, our third publication of the year presents an array of developing issues that will take shape in the months and years to come. Scott Spooner dissects several key provisions of UCITA in his article, *The Validation of Shrink-Wrap and Click-Wrap Licenses by Virginia's Uniform Computer Information Transactions Act*. Susan Brenner discusses the treatment of criminal laws relating to "cybercrimes" by state legislatures. Her article, *State Cybercrime Legislation in the United States of America*, presents a comprehensive view of how states have handled this new area of the law.

We are also proud to present two excellent student pieces by University of Richmond Law Students Karen Coon and Ruth Smalley. Karen Coon's casenote, *United States v. Keystone Sanitation Company: E-mail and the Attorney-Client Privilege*, which studies the effect of e-mail and attorney-client confidence is sure to be of interest to practitioners who communicate with their clients via email. Ruth Smalley's comment, *Will A Lawsuit A Day Keep the Cyberdocs Away?: Modern Theories of Medical Malpractice as Applied to Cybermedicine*, examines the fascinating convergence of medicine and the Internet.

I hope you find these articles relevant and informative. Thank you again for visiting *The Richmond Journal of Law and Technology*. As always, we welcome your comments, suggestions, submissions, and general feedback at jolt@richmond.edu. Thank you for reading and for your continued support of our publication.

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Editor-in-Chief

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