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## FOREWORD

The University of Richmond Law Review is pleased to present its twelfth Annual Survey of Virginia Law. Since its inception in 1985, the Annual Survey has been dedicated to providing the Virginia practitioner with a reliable resource for judicial, legislative, and administrative developments in the Commonwealth. Although each article focuses on developments in Virginia law, federal developments affecting the Virginia practitioner are also covered. The reader may notice that this year's Annual Survey was printed two months later than in past years. The Editorial Board made this change to allow for the printing of the updated Code of Virginia, permitting the authors to cite the Code rather than the Acts of Assembly. The Law Review hopes that this change does not affect the usefulness of this issue.

Each year the *Law Review* solicits articles from Virginia practitioners who have a special knowledge in a legal field. Without the dedication of these authors the *Annual Survey* would not be possible. This year's *Annual Survey* extends to two areas not covered in recent years: motions for sanctions and taxation. These areas are supplemented with the traditional areas that the readers of the *Annual Survey* have come to expect. Of particular note is the article on the legal issues involving children, which gives a comprehensive account of the widespread changes in the juvenile justice system. The *Law Review* hopes that every reader will find at least one of these articles germane to their practice or studies.

I would like to extend my gratitude to all the dedicated people who helped put this issue together. First and foremost, I would like to thank each author who gave freely of their valuable time. Additionally, each member of the University of Richmond Law Review's Board and Staff gave substantial time and effort that this issue is the best it possibly could be. I would like to extend a special thanks Preston Wigner, Barry Meek, and Glenice Coombs for their direction, support, and patience. Finally, I would like to thank Douglas Ramseur, last year's Annual Survey Editor, for his guidance and advice for producing this issue.

Any comments or opinions that you may have about this issue would be greatly appreciated. If there is anything that we could do to improve upon the *Annual Survey* please let the *Law Review* know so that we may best serve your needs. Thank you for your support and readership.

> Brett P. Ferenchak Annual Survey Editor

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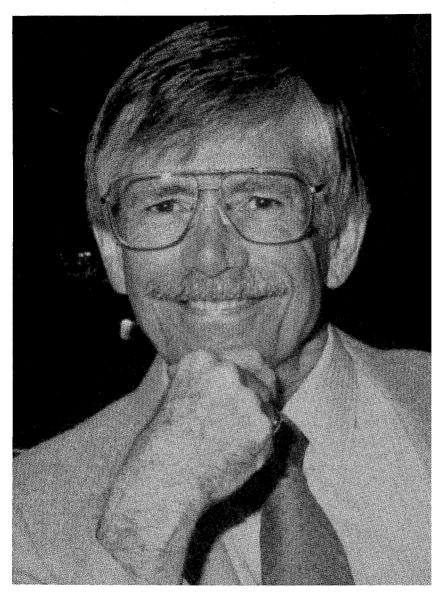
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#### Correction

Please note that *The University of Richmond Law Review* has become aware of an error in Sarah Howard Jenkins, *Accommodating Spouses: Regulation B and Revised Article 3— The Suretyship Law Complication*, 30 U. RICH. L. REV. 387 (1996). The first sentence of the "\*" footnote discussing the author's biographical information should read "Professor of Law, University of Arkansas School of Law at Little Rock."

We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

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