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# LETTER FROM THE EDITORS

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Dear *Health Law & Policy* Reader:

On behalf of the Editorial Board and staff, we proudly present this issue of *Health Law & Policy*. Now in our fourth issue, we continue to strive to produce a publication that will both inform our readers of new developments in the ever-changing field of health care and help students at the Washington College of Law (WCL) discover an interest in health care law.

During this election year, universal health care was at the forefront of the presidential candidate debates. We open this issue with a transcript of a health care panel given at WCL that presented the presidential candidates' health care platforms. Following the discussion of the candidates' health care policies is an article presenting a discussion on regulations of medical resident work hours. This issue also addresses the controversial topics of genetic testing and anti-kickback statutes. Finally, this issue includes two student-written articles that explore ERISA and the "Double Jeopardy" facing New York's medical patients.

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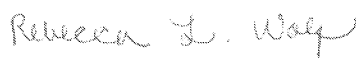
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Sincerely,



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