Seven always has been my lucky number. With this, the seventh issue of the *Journal*, my faith in the number seven is renewed.

Volume Seven culminates a year of mutual effort in the publication of the *Journal* between the Federal Energy Bar Association and the National Energy Law and Policy Institute of the University of Tulsa Law School (NELPI). In a word, the arrangement has exceeded expectations. The student editors have exhibited a high degree of interest, motivation and ability. In addition to “bluebooking,” the students have produced two published case notes and numerous suggestions to improve the overall quality and to reduce costs of the *Journal*.

Much of the praise for the effective association of the *Journal* with NELPI and the excellent performance of the students is attributable to Professor John Lowe. In addition to being an important scholar, Professor Lowe is an energetic motivator and effective administrator.

Although Volume Seven is not funded by the charitable foundation conceived by Richard Tiano and fully supported by the Executive Committee of our Bar Association, the past year has been a period in which a great deal of work in this area has been done. I am confident that when I next author this page, I will be able to report that the foundation has acquired a corpus and has begun contributing to the cost of publishing the *Journal*.

Volume Seven also reflects some important personnel changes. Joining our permanent staff of editors is Administrative Law Judge Isaac D. Benkin as Articles Editor and Steven H. Brose as Book Review Editor. Both men bring broad knowledge, insight and careful judgment to these editorial positions. Peter Kissel and David Bloom continue their years of good service to the *Journal* as the Co-Editors of the Committee Reports.

The last seven years of the *Journal* have been memorable, since it provided me with positive experiences in working with scholars, practitioners and students. Equally important, those seven years have witnessed the *Journal* becoming an established work that is cited by courts, law reviews and practitioners.

The next seven years (and beyond) also should be memorable. The *Journal*, with greater editorial depth, support from NELPI and independent funding, will endeavor to continue being an important and preeminent journal of record for the dynamic field of energy law. I, along with our Bar Association and our readers, look forward to this very bright future.

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