

## *President's Message*

The year 1988-1989 is proving to be another good year for the Federal Energy Bar Association. It began with an excellent speech by Commissioner Charles Stalon at our Annual Meeting on May 12, 1988. The performance of the Capitol Steps, although itself excellent, almost was an anti-climax.

In July, the Association moved into its first permanent quarters, at 1900 M Street, N.W. Lorna Wilson is proving to be a fine administrator and a big help to both Reamy Ancarrow, Secretary and Paul E. Nordstrom, Treasurer.

The Association is financially sound, having between \$100,000 and \$250,000 in the treasury at all times. Our annual budget is currently \$257,000. Last year the Association made a contribution of \$20,000 to the Foundation of the Energy Law Journal, and hopes to contribute to the Foundation's capital endowment again this year. That endowment now exceeds \$100,000 and continues to grow. The Association should be particularly proud of the *Energy Law Journal*, which in the short period of nine years, under the able and diligent administration of William A. Mogel, has grown to be one of the leading legal publications in the country.

The Association already has conducted a successful seminar on the Election NPR on May 13th, the day after the Annual Meeting. Julia Richardson and David Evans also should be recognized for chairing the fine program for the Mid-Year Meeting held on October 20, 1988.

In terms of new business, the Board voted to seek formal affiliation with the American Bar Association, which, if obtained, will entitle the Association to representation in the House of Delegates of the ABA. In addition, some of our members in San Francisco and Dallas have indicated an interest in forming a chapter, similar to those now existing in Houston and New Orleans.

Despite the turmoil of national elections, international crises, and economic ups and downs, the Federal Energy Bar Association has proved to be an organization "for all seasons." You can be justly proud of it.

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