



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The Energy Bar Association member survey results are in and the Energy Law Journal has received high marks and good ideas. Thank you to those who responded.

The member survey was conducted electronically last fall, and recently completed telephone interviews provided further insights. The ELJ ranked high among the many benefits most appreciated by the members. Over 70% of the respondents reported that they read the ELJ and almost half of those members cited timely and relevant articles as their favorite aspect of the Journal. This issue should certainly help validate that view and expand those who share it.

Members made many great suggestions for improvements to the ELJ that are now under consideration, with one repeated suggestion now a reality. Many members' responses asked for on-line access to the ELJ. As of February 16, 2007, you have it. The ELJ issue you received last fall was the very first issue that was made available in total to members on-line when it was published and circulated. Thanks to the hard work and commitment of a number of your colleagues and their support staff, all 27 past volumes of the ELJ are now also available on the EBA website (www.eba-net.org) and are text searchable. This enhanced access to the Journal will increase the ability of EBA members, energy regulators, legislators, academics, and the Courts to locate and use ELJ content to their advantage.

We hope you find this first issue of the 28th volume of the ELJ informative, interesting, and a worthwhile read. We encourage you to keep your feedback and suggestions coming. We welcome your time, talents, and resources to support the many initiatives of the ELJ, the EBA, and its nineteen committees and six chapters, and the Charitable Foundation of the Energy Bar Association. Call or send our EBA Administrator an e-mail if you are interested (202-223-5625; admin@eba-net.org). We invite you to mark your calendars now and join your EBA colleagues in Washington, DC on April 24 for a reception in honor of the FERC Administrative Law Judges, on April 25 for EBA's Annual Meeting, and on April 26 for the CFEBA's Fourth Annual Charity Golf Tournament. Check the EBA website for details.

Respectfully,

Dave Doot