

## EDITOR-IN-CHIEF'S PAGE

“Globalization 3.0 is shrinking the world from a size small to a size tiny and flattening the playing field at the same time . . . the dynamic force . . . is the newfound power for *individuals* to collaborate and compete globally. . . . [a]nd the lever that is enabling individuals and groups to go global so easily and so seamlessly is software . . .” -Thomas L. Friedman, *The World is Flat-A Brief History of the Twenty-First Century* (2005.)

The energy industry is increasingly diverse and global in nature. “Globalization 3.0” permits individuals to better collaborate and address issues on a global stage. The practice of energy law and development of energy policies must follow suit. In recognition of these significant developments, the Energy Law Journal recently made two significant changes to our existing practices.

First, I’m pleased to report that beginning with this volume, the Energy Law Journal will be available on-line in a text searchable format on the website of the Energy Bar Association. And soon after, we will do the same with all past volumes. We hope that this will lead to expanded collaboration between and among energy lawyers and non-attorney professionals, enhanced scholarship, and more effective practice, development, and administration of energy policies and laws in the United States and other countries.

In addition, we created the new position of International Articles Editor to more systematically present articles on international and global issues. In that spirit, we hope you find valuable the article in this volume on regulation and liberalization in European electricity markets.

At the same time, we intend to maintain our intense focus on important energy issues and trends in the United States. We are proud of the diverse range of articles in this volume, as well as the first report by the Nuclear Regulation Committee of the Energy Bar Association.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge one of our longest serving Articles Editors, Nicholas W. Fels, who is departing the Editorial Board as this volume goes to print. Nick’s tireless efforts, both as an author and articles editor, have been critical in establishing and maintaining the high standards for quality and scholarship at the Journal, and we thank him.

Respectfully,

Robert S. Fleishman