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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As President of the Federal Energy Bar Association, I am pleased to speak to you through the *Energy Law Journal* as it completes its 20th year of publication. The *Journal* has a rich and continuous tradition of publishing in-depth, scholarly articles addressing far-reaching and critical issues in energy law. This issue of the *Journal* includes lead articles on a wide range of topics including nuclear power and a recent federal court decision that may influence the direction of federal electric industry restructuring. I am particularly pleased to draw your attention to the articles dealing with Mexican and Canadian electricity issues and the Venezuelan oil industry. These articles reflect the *Journal's* mission to provide FEBA members and the public with timely articles on an expanded number of matters.

On behalf of the Federal Energy Bar Association, I would like to extend our appreciation and thanks to our Editor-In-Chief, Bill Mogel, for his dedicated and tireless leadership in producing the *Energy Law Journal*. The FEBA Board of Directors also extends its thanks and appreciation to the students of the University of Tulsa for their help in publishing the *Journal*.

I am pleased to report that through support and contributions by the Federal Energy Bar Association, its individual members, and the strong leadership of the Foundation of the *Energy Law Journal*, the *Journal* has been financially self-sufficient for the last year. This represents the successful culmination of the funding program instituted by the FEBA Board of Directors more than ten years ago. Well-deserved congratulations are extended to the FEBA members who have so ably served as Officers and Board Members for the Foundation of the *Energy Law Journal*.

The FEBA Board is intensely focused on preparing our Association for the future. An Ad Hoc Strategic Committee considered FEBA's overall mission in light of the changing energy industry and legal profession. The Strategic Committee prepared a report for the Board which contains a number of cogent and exciting recommendations for the future of practitioners and administrators in the energy field. The Board will move forward to strengthen and enhance the value of the Association to its members. For example, the Board recently established a new committee on Finance and Transactions. In addition, many of our committees are planning brown-bag lunches which will feature prominent speakers on issues of interest to the membership.

The FEBA Board of Directors will continue our tradition of sponsoring programs of the highest quality. Under the able leadership of our three Co-Chairs, Stephen Angle, Randall S. Rich, and Marcia C.

Hooks, the Program Committee has developed plans for an outstanding Mid-Year Meeting on November 18-19, 1999. In addition, planning is underway for both a Third Annual FEBA Midwest Meeting to be held in Kansas City and for a New York City meeting to be held in the Spring. These regional meetings reflect FEBA's commitment to bring programs to our members located throughout the country.

During the 1999-2000 FEBA year, the Foundation, under the leadership of our President, Isacc D. Benkin; Vice President, Jacolyn A. Simmons; Secretary, Nancy J. Skancke; and Treasurer, Richard G. Morgan, will be working with the FEBA Officers and Board of Directors to ensure a continued strong relationship between FEBA and the *Journal*. This is a relationship that well serves both our members and the public interest.

Finally, a special thanks is warmly extended to FEBA's dedicated administrator, Lorna Wilson, who has served the Association for over a decade.

The Officers and Board of Directors thank you for your continued interest and support of the *Journal* and the Association. With your help, we look forward with excitement to the energy world of the next millennium.

Robert S. Fleishman
President

IN MEMORIAM

Reuben Goldberg

Reuben Goldberg, a long-term member of our Association, passed away at his Maryland home on May 21, 1999 at the age of 87.

Reuben graduated from City College of New York and received his law degree from what is now George Washington University Law School in 1934. He began his legal career with the Federal Power Commission the same year.

During a career spanning more than 60 years, in both public and private service, Reuben had a hand in major court decisions on ratemaking, contracts, utility service obligations, affiliated company transactions, and settlement procedures. Among other things, Reuben had the unusual distinction of arguing three cases before the U.S. Supreme Court, each in a separate decade. In total, he participated in 19 cases before the Supreme Court.

Reuben will be remembered as a consummate advocate who applied striking intellectual capabilities to present the best case for his client. He will, however, be best remembered for his integrity, personal style, and unquestionable character coupled with his unique blend of tenacity, charm, and grace. Even among opponents, Reuben had few enemies . . . only friends and admirers.

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J. David Mann

J. David Mann, Jr., President of the Federal Power Bar Association during the 1960-61 term, passed away on October 9, 1999 at the age of 81. Dave Mann was a native of Nashville, Illinois and a graduate of Indiana University and its law school.

He came to Washington after his military service during World War II, and began his professional career at the Federal Power Commission, serving in the Office of General Counsel and as chief assistant to Nelson Lee Smith, then Chairman of the F.P.C. His career in private law practice began in 1954, when he joined the Washington office of Morgan Lewis & Bockius, where he practiced until his retirement in 1982.

Dave Mann is recognized for his prominent role in the post-1954 era of gas producer wellhead price regulation as lead counsel for gas distribution companies. Among other successes, Dave is remembered for his string of appellate victories in the late 50s and early 60s where the "in-line price" doctrine was established.

Dave Mann is remembered by his many friends and contemporaries as the complete gentleman, a generous host and colleague and a superb advocate.

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