

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The reception which energy practitioners and their clients have given the first three issues of the *Energy Law Journal* has been most gratifying to the Officers and Executive Committee members of the Federal Energy Bar Association. We hope to merit your continued support.

We begin the 1981-82 Federal Energy Bar Association year with President Reagan's appointees to the Department of Energy and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in place and with the pace of their activities on the increase. Great public interest continues to be shown in the policies which are developing and the decisions which are being made. This volume of our Journal deals with such important issues as the future of natural gas, rate regulation of oil pipelines, synthetic fuels and the Fuel Use Act. We intend through the *Energy Law Journal* to continue to monitor trends and developments closely with the desire that we all be better informed and our clients better served.

We have kept our Editorial Board essentially intact for the coming year in order to take full advantage of its experience and the momentum it has generated. We extend our appreciation to it, to the authors, to Editor-in-Chief William A. Mogel, and to all who have assisted them for a job well done.

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