

EDITOR-IN-CHIEF'S PAGE

“The time is always right to do what is right.” - Martin Luther King

One of my greatest pleasures is to serve as Editor-in-Chief of the Journal.

This volume is our largest yet, with a plethora of timely and well-researched articles and other interesting materials. It bursts with a robust and informative set of committee reports, including first-ever reports from the Climate Change & Emissions Committee and the State Commission Practice & Regulation Committee. Many thanks to our Committee Reports Editors, Freddi Greenberg and Kristine Delkus, and numerous contributors from the committees, all of whom are doing “what is right” for the Journal and their fellow practitioners.

The Energy Law Journal is a key source for the history of energy law and policy. Beginning in 1980, it has charted the ebb and flow of change in this field. Further, it is a forum for the key energy issues of the day and the cutting-edge issues of tomorrow. The Journal is also a recorder, particularly through its committee reports, of the current state of energy law and policy.

Finally, the Journal serves as a chronicle for the Energy Bar Association. And in that capacity, one of my saddest duties is to publish In Memoriams for esteemed members of the bar.

The Journal’s tradition of publishing In Memoriams began in 1986. Since that time, the lives of close to 30 individuals have been chronicled. In so doing, we recognize, and honor, the lives of those who have made significant contributions to the life of energy law and had a substantial impact on energy law and policy.

As an active energy law practitioner for close to 30 years, and having served as the Association’s President a decade ago, I have reached the point in my career when I have had the privilege of working with an increasing number of those who have since passed on. It has caused me to consider carefully the contributions of such esteemed members of the energy bar and the meaning and value of their lives.

In this volume, we mark the passing of Fred Moring, a past President of the Association and a leader in the annals of energy law. Fred was a mentor to a number of energy lawyers, including me, and in so doing gave generously of his time, knowledge, and experience. Fred had a passion and zest for life that was compelling, and he inspired many of us to try to make a difference as we practiced, day in and day out, in this challenging and exciting field. In my experience, Fred Moring was a person who embodied Dr. King’s admonition that “the time is always right to do what is right.” I valued our friendship and will miss him.

Through the Journal, we aim to enrich and inform, and thus provide a service of lasting value. At bottom, we try to take the time, year over year, to do what is right for you, our readers.

Respectfully,

Bob Fleishman