Editor-In-Chief & Managing Editor's Note

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The 2013 edition of the BYU Prelaw Review reflects the diverse array of salient legal and political issues of the past year. Its articles address topics including drone strike policy, the Westboro protests, and even contraceptive administration. The authors submitted their first drafts in September 2012 and, with the help of a talented group of editors, have continued to refine their articles for the past eight months. This finished product is the culmination of countless hours of work and dedication, and it represents a significant achievement for all the students involved. Each student has grown intellectually as a result of the rigorous process of writing, revising, and improving their ideas and arguments.

We appreciate the hard work of both our authors and editors and acknowledge the distinctive effort and contribution of each member of our team. This year’s authors approached the task of academic legal writing with a bold enthusiasm and ingenuity, reflected in their high caliber articles. They managed their editors and listened to differing viewpoints with poise and respect. Congruently, our editors challenged their groups and contributed significantly to the content presented in each article. We have enjoyed the camaraderie of this Prelaw Review team and are proud to have worked alongside such talented, creative individuals.

We offer a special thanks to the leadership staff of this year’s Prelaw Review. Jon Bird and Katherine Dew provided critical and insightful feedback throughout the semester. In addition to their substantive feedback, they provided valuable administrative and organizational assistance. Our lead editor, Andres Gonzalez always brought energy and laughter to our team meetings. More importantly, he also provided perceptive commentary and made sure each draft was successfully completed. Finally, we thank Laura Bean for her amazing InDesign skills.

We also extend special appreciation to our advisor and publisher, Kris Tina Carlston. Her insight and experience helped guide our de-
cisions and maintain the quality of this journal. We thank her for supporting our team in the transformative process of publishing the 2012–2013 BYU Prelaw Review.

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