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CASTING A NEW VISION

Volume 29 showcases landmark changes in the way *Emory International Law Review* contributes to international legal discourse. Our board is confident that these changes are creating space for the law review to stay abreast with the times and reach new heights of quality and achievement. We cast a vision for smaller, more timely, and more frequently published issues; publishing on an academic calendar such that each board has ownership of a volume all its own; and launching *Emory International Law Review Recent Developments*, an exclusive online source for shorter, timely pieces made accessible to you without the lag time of the print publication process. These improvements are highlighted by our newly redesigned website, www.law.emory.edu/eilr, where pieces can be viewed entirely in HTML or downloaded as PDFs. As Volume 29 goes to press, earlier volumes are being digitally remastered for online archives that will also be accessible on our website. In the months ahead we will set the stage for a uniquely Atlanta-based symposium series dedicated to the burgeoning field of international arbitration, highlighting the work conducted in our own city, an international hub with a growing market for public and private international law alike.

After years of publishing two spring issues as bookends of separate volumes, *Emory International Law Review* will now publish two issues in the fall and two issues in the spring. The *Emory International Law Review Recent Developments* will run online as part of the same volume. For years to come, we believe that our smaller, more timely and more frequently published issues will invite a greater number of themed issues, presenting cohesive conversations on pressing matters of international law. This year we begin that tradition with one themed issue, Volume 29, Issue 2, highlighting women in international law. We hope to contribute to a growing trend of women finding their voices in international legal scholarship. Highlighting the work of two up-and-coming female academics and three of Emory Law's own female law students, we bring you work on forced female suicides in Turkey, legal standing of the Mothers of Srebrenica in Dutch courts, forum choice in Bangladesh, and the international legal implications of female sex trafficking. As Volume 29, Issues 3 and 4 take shape, we look forward to fostering conversations on everything from Bitcoin to the War Powers Resolution.

As *Emory International Law Review* launches so many new traditions, we believe we put our best foot forward with Volume 29, Issue 1. As the international community observes the winding down of the United Nations' *ad hoc* tribunals' noble pursuits and the transfer of remaining matters to national courts, and as we turn our gaze toward the International Criminal Court, this issue presents two thoughtful pieces speaking into international criminal law. Professor Stuart Ford utilizes a novel analysis to defend the efficiency of international criminal courts, and Professor Dustin Sharp addresses global-local ownership in transitional law. The work of Professors Ford and Sharp is accompanied by three comments authored by members of our editorial board, ranging from prescriptions for reconciling proposed American and European Union investor-state dispute settlement provisions for the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership, and assertions on when food scarcity creates a positive right to international migration, to my suggestions for the implementation of customary international law within American courts.

Atop our desk in the *Emory International Law Review* office, a large wooden sign states, "today is a good day." Today is a good day for international legal academia, and today is a good day for *Emory International Law Review*. We are growing and refining our publication. We are committed to our vision for a quicker, sharper law review, and we are excited to share our progress with you. Thank you for your readership. Keep with us.

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