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FOREWORD

Now in our sixth year of publication, the *UCLA Women's Law Journal* continues to devote its pages to exploring issues of feminist legal jurisprudence. From a tiny office where three people couldn't work without bumping elbows, the *UCLA Women's Law Journal*, with the help of Dean Prager and a supportive administration, has expanded to an office that accommodates not only our diligent staffers as they citecheck but also the hardworking editorial board members. For the second year in a row, we have maintained the largest journal membership in the UCLA Law School. Our large membership assures that the future of the Journal is secure but also poses challenges in the areas of logistics and community development. This year the editorial board has made an effort to focus not only on streamlining the production process but also on developing a sense of community within the Journal's growing membership.

In Volume Six, Issue One, we are proud to include a Recent Developments series entitled *Focus on Beijing*. In this section, we share with our primarily American audience a variety of perspectives on the Non Government Organizations Forum on Women and the United Nations Fourth World Conference on Women in Beijing, which took place in late summer of 1995. The voices of the authors in this section reflect the diversity of the Beijing conference participants and the issues they convened to explore. It is our hope that by presenting this series, our readers will become participants in the ongoing discourse which was begun in Beijing.

In Issue Two of Volume Six, we are privileged to present the first *UCLA Women's Law Journal* live symposium and publish the second *UCLA Women's Law Journal Symposium* Issue. The symposium, entitled *Institutional Barriers to Women in the Workplace*, will address such topics as tax barriers to working women, welfare issues, and reproductive hazards to women in the workplace. We believe that this symposium will contribute to the dialogue on these important topics while educating a broad spectrum of practitioners and students.

We wish to express our sincere gratitude for the support we have consistently received from the UCLA administration — especially Dean Susan Westerberg Prager, Dean Barbara Varat,

and Veronica Wilson. Finally, we would like to recognize the extraordinary dedication, hard work, and talent displayed by our staff and board.

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