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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

To Our Readers:

The Editorial Board of the *University of Baltimore Law Forum*, Volume 48, proudly presents the first issue of the 2017-2018 academic year. As the University of Baltimore School of Law's oldest journal, the *Law Forum* publishes scholarly articles, student comments, and recent developments concerning Maryland. This issue reflects the *Law Forum's* continued commitment to apprising the Maryland Legal community, as well as the legal community as a whole, on developments in the law in Maryland.

In this issue, we have the honor of publishing two student comments. The first student comment, authored by Virginia J. Yeoman, presents a critical look at Baltimore City's water billing system. The second student comment, authored by Alicia M. Kuhns, discusses the negative effects of Maryland's duty to retreat law. Lastly, the recent development pieces, authored by *Law Forum* staff editors, examine eight interesting cases decided this year by the Court of Appeals of Maryland, and are intended to keep Maryland practitioners and the legal community informed of the status of the law in Maryland.

Production of a scholarly journal is a tremendous undertaking and would not be possible without substantial contributions from the student editorial board. I want to thank the entire *Law Forum* staff for their tireless hard work, patience and diligence to complete this issue. I also want to thank Professor Elizabeth J. Samuels, faculty advisor to the *Law Forum*, for her guidance and support.

On behalf of the *University of Baltimore Law Forum*, we thank the members of the Maryland legal community and our readers, for their continued support and interest in our publication.

Sincerely,

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