

FOREWORD

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The founding of the *Drexel Law Review* marks a noteworthy moment in the institutional life of the Drexel University Earle Mack School of Law, already a vibrant center for scholarly inquiry and professional development in the field of law. Like the law school's lecture halls, faculty offices, and corridors, these pages will provide a fresh new forum for some of the intellectual pursuits that are most important to our profession—the exposition of the law and the give-and-take of academic dialogue.

Rules of law, whether articulated in the first instance by legislatures or courts, are given meaning—and sometimes, ultimately, are driven to change—in part because of the careful analysis and critique that appears in law reviews. Lawyers, judges, professors, and students around the world, be they authors or readers, will be the beneficiaries of your work. And many generations of Drexel student-editors will develop professional skills in their stewardship of the journal. I congratulate Dean Roger Dennis, all the faculty and students, and especially the editors of the *Drexel Law Review*, on this significant achievement.

It is with keen interest that I will watch as these pages begin to fill with the ideas of the future. The beginning of such a project is a time for much excitement—and also for hard work. Your new *Law Review* shares a place in our profession with scholarly journals founded more than a century ago. In short, you are in good company. Yet in youth there is both challenge and abundant opportunity. As an institution built from scratch in the twenty-first century, *Drexel Law Review* has the advantage of fresh perspective on the developments of the past several decades. Legal landscapes have changed. We have seen an explosion of new laws, new rights, and new duties, especially in the areas of curricular focus for your law school—business and entrepreneurship, health, and intellectual property. New technology has forever altered the com-

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munication of legal developments and ideas.

The first generation of *Drexel Law Review* editors can build a foundation with these vast changes in mind and with a view toward what is next. Imagination is the only limit on your mission. As you embark upon it, I wish you much success.