

**PREFACE**  
**EDITOR'S REMARKS**

In keeping with the original goals of the *Journal*, this issue emphasizes both *de jure* and *de facto* ("living") law in Latin America and the Spanish-speaking world. In this issue, we are introduced to the legal profession in Spain and given a fascinating glimpse into commercial legal relations between Arizona and Northern Mexico.

This issue is innovative in that it breaks the interdisciplinary barrier by including an anthropological study of violence among the Chatino Indians of rural Oaxaca, Mexico. The article is one of a three-part package. The other two articles examine the extensive immigration of poor rural workers from Mexico into the United States, and discuss what is being done to stem the flow on both sides of the border. The second piece focuses on the socio-economic reasons for the massive exodus of Mexico's workers, and outlines some of the Arizona Farmworkers Union's efforts to abate the flow through work projects within Mexico which also serve to improve the quality of life there. The third piece examines the legal history behind the United States' on-again, off-again relationship with the Mexican workers, who have been first recruited and then subjected to strict laws aimed at curtailing illegal immigration.

This issue also crosses the interdisciplinary barrier with a student Report on the Third International Interdisciplinary Women's Congress.

For those interested in Latin politics, this publication offers a remarkably candid interview with Professor Raul Cervantes Ahumada, whose law students at the National Autonomous University of Mexico have included the last several presidents of Mexico.

Continuing the *Journal's* tradition of publishing outstanding comparative pieces on legal systems outside of Latin America, this issue offers a look at the West German approach to land planning and zoning, with some specific suggestions for the United States' legal system in the area of governmental "takings" and compensatory regulations.

Finally, this issue features an unprecedented number of student notes, an encouraging sign that student interest in international law at the University of Arizona remains strong, assuring the *Journal* of a long and hardy future.