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## FOREWORD

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“*[T]he time is always ripe to do right*” – Martin Luther King Jr.<sup>1</sup>

The *Washington International Law Journal*'s staff is proud to present Volume 30's final installment. As with prior issues published in this volume, the *Journal* and our authors persevered through a global pandemic, an insurrection, and remote working environments throughout this publication process. Our editors and authors all overcame these obstacles at every turn. That resolve is demonstrated throughout the scholarship contained in this Spring 2021 edition.

This issue continues to expand on the *Journal*'s commitment to promoting articles on diverse legal topics from across the globe, with an emphasis on East Asia. Volume 30, Issue III, highlights public health and free speech scholarship. Specifically, these articles discuss contract law during a pandemic, international trade regulations, data privacy, and free speech rights in armed conflicts.

Volume 30, Issue III, opens with Xuan-Thao Nguyen's timely discussion of contract law in the United States and China during emergencies, like pandemics. The piece explores the effects of emergencies on parties' contractual duties, and the effects of government intervention superseding contractual agreements. Next, Mandy Meng Fang and Weihuan Zhou critique current World Trade Regulations restrictions and challenges to Chinese business subsidies. This installment then turns toward Ching-Yi Liu, Wei-Ping Li, and Yun-Pu Tu's analytical critique of Taiwan's data privacy regime, which provides a detailed analysis of the country's data privacy protections and recommendations on how those protections can be improved. Finally, Volume 30 concludes with A. Louis Evans's article on free speech in armed conflict. Together, these pieces of scholarship add to important legal trends that affect private and public actors around the world.

Publishing Volume 30's final issue would have been impossible but for the support from the University of Washington faculty members. On behalf of Volume 30's Executive Board, I thank the University of Washington School of Law's

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<sup>1</sup> Martin Luther King Jr., Letter from Birmingham City Jail (1963), reprinted in *A TESTAMENT OF HOPE: THE ESSENTIAL WRITINGS AND SPEECHES OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.*, 289, 296 (HarperCollins Publisher 1986).

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Lastly, producing this publication would not be possible without the perseverance and meticulous attention to detail from our remarkable Volume 30 editorial staff. Amidst immense adversity, the *Journal's* editors worked diligently on this Issue's articles. Our rising third-year members embraced the challenges as they begin leading the *Journal* into the new academic year. While the demands were great, our staff consistently produced remarkable results without complaint.

We, the *Washington International Law Journal's* editorial team, are proud to present you Volume 30's final compilation of legal scholarship. It has been my honor to work with all of our authors published in this concluding Issue. And it has been my privilege to serve the *Journal* and its editors as Editor-in-Chief this past year. Please enjoy!