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EDITOR'S NOTE

Each year the Mercer Law Review hosts a legal symposium and publishes symposium materials in the *Lead Articles Edition*. This sixty-ninth edition includes ten articles from accomplished lawyers, professors, and authors who I have come to greatly admire while working with them this past year. Thank you to our Symposium participants and authors for their brilliant work, as well as their patience and cooperation throughout the editing process.

I would like to extend a special thank you to our very own Professor Gary Simson, who helped me organize this Symposium. Without Professor Simson and his leadership in the Southeastern Association of Law Schools, this edition would not be possible.

A special thank you must also be given to our commentators at the Symposium: Professor Sarah Gerwig-Moore, Professor James Fleissner, David Chaiken, Esq., and Judge Verda Colvin. Their remarks on the speakers' proposed ideas were wonderful and insightful.

Thank you also to the members of the Mercer Law Review for their hard work and dedication in editing this edition and their assistance in the logistics of the Symposium. In particular, I would like to thank Briana Carter, Mary Mahfoud, and Caitlin Wise, whose writings appear in this edition and complement it well.

I would also like to express my sincere appreciation to Editor in Chief David Cromer, Managing Editor Will Prater, and Publishing Coordinator Yonna Windham Shaw for their assistance and guidance in editing this edition, organizing the Symposium, and helping me through the unexpected challenges in the process.

Thank you to all of our readers for allowing me to serve as your editor of the sixty-ninth *Lead Articles Edition*. I know you will enjoy reading these proposed ideas on disruptive innovations in criminal defense as much as I have.

Finally, to the lawyers whose experiences with their clients inspired this Symposium topic: I hope these proposed innovations motivate you to continuously seek justice in and fulfill the purposes of our criminal system.

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