

Hastings Science and Technology Law Journal

Volume 13
Number 1 *Winter 2022*

Article 2

Winter 2022

Foreword

Jenny Sui

Nick Wood

Follow this and additional works at: https://repository.uchastings.edu/hastings_science_technology_law_journal



Part of the [Science and Technology Law Commons](#)

Recommended Citation

Jenny Sui and Nick Wood, *Foreword*, 13 HASTINGS SCI. & TECH. L.J. 1 (2022).

Available at: https://repository.uchastings.edu/hastings_science_technology_law_journal/vol13/iss1/2

This Prefatory Matter is brought to you for free and open access by the Law Journals at UC Hastings Scholarship Repository. It has been accepted for inclusion in Hastings Science and Technology Law Journal by an authorized editor of UC Hastings Scholarship Repository. For more information, please contact wangangela@uchastings.edu.

FOREWORD

HSTLJ is committed to advancing the legal discourse on Science and Technology. On behalf of the *Hastings Science and Technology Law Journal* (HSTLJ), we proudly present our Winter 2022 Issue.

As the global pandemic has hastened the new era of virtual reality, there has been much discourse on the law's current application, shortcomings, and future in light of these changes. This issue features three areas of technological advancements that have outpaced the law, creating loopholes, ambiguities, and concerns of exploitation. The Issue's first articles analyze tech companies user data practices – a topic that has become particularly poignant as tech companies are getting scrutinized more heavily. First, Ram Bhadra's case study analyzes how shortcomings in the law have allowed Tech Giants to use data analytics to create monopolies. Kenny Gutierrez' article then highlights the privacy concerns of wearable technology and examines how the law protects – or fails to protect, sensitive information that is often transmitted unknowingly.

Shifting gears, the Issue's next articles focus on the future of property rights. Mimi Afshar's piece on the patent rights of Artificial Intelligence Systems and considers how the law should acknowledge creations that can now create. Lastly, originally published in Volume 12 Issue 1, Maeve Dineen's article on property rights in space has been republished in this issue to reflect changes from the author.

We are sure that this issue will spark thoughtful conversation for the specialist and non-specialist alike.

We thank our amazing staff editors and editorial board for their hard work and dedication in ensuring the quality and completion of this issue. Additionally, we extend a special thanks to our Executive Submissions Editor, Jagdeep Sekhon, who vetted and secured the articles for this Issue's publication and to our Executive Production Editors, Andy Perez and Megan Pham, who led our Staff Editors and worked diligently to guarantee the legitimacy of our publication. This publication would not have been possible without their efforts, and we are eternally grateful.

We thank our authors for their novel contributions and hope you enjoy the Winter 2022 Issue as much as we have.

Jenny Sui
Nick Wood
Editors-in-Chief, Class of 2022
Vol. 13, Issue No.1, Winter 2022
