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On behalf of the *Hastings Environmental Law Journal*, we proudly present our Summer 2021 Issue.

The issue includes articles addressing cutting-edge topics such as the pressure climate change is placing on family law in Jessica Rizzo's article, *The Children's Hour: Climate Change, Law, and the Family*. Moreover, Adam D. Orford, currently finishing his Ph.D. at U.C. Berkeley's Energy & Resource Group, examines the development of the Clean Air Act of 1963 in his article, *The Clean Air Act of 1963: Postwar Environmental Politics and the Debate Over Federal Power*.

Additionally, HELJ endeavors to support fellow U.C. Hastings students in publishing their notes, and we are excited to have so many in this issue. This year, we have six student authors: Susana Aguilera, Camilla Getz, Erin Barlow, Isaac Serratos, Katie Lindsay, and Olivia Suraci. Each of their notes provides insights and solutions for recent developments in environmental law. For example, Erin Barlow's article, *Unprecedented Marine Biodiversity Shifts Necessitate Innovation: The Case for Dynamic Ocean Management in the UN High-Seas Conservation Agreement*, discusses how the UN draft agreement could be revised to enable more effective protection of marine biodiversity migrating to unprecedented areas due to climate change. Olivia Suraci's article, *The Best-Dressed Polluter – Regulation and Sustainability in the Fashion Industry*, examines the negative environmental impact of the fashion industry and proposes solutions to hold it accountable for harmful practices. And, Susana Aguilera's article, *Prioritizing Tree Planting in Shade-Deprived Urban Areas as a Response to Climate Change*, explains how prioritizing tree planting in low-income neighborhoods will help local governments mitigate and adapt to climate change while furthering environmental justice.

The past year has been especially challenging in several ways and has impacted many of us to varying degrees. During the Covid-19 pandemic, our journal moved online like many other aspects of life. Despite the challenges, we are so grateful to our authors and would like to thank them for working with us during such a tumultuous time. Furthermore, this issue would not have been possible without our outstanding team's dedication and hard work over the past year. We hope you enjoy reading the articles and notes in our Summer 2021 Issue.

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