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Editors' Foreword

On behalf of Hastings Environmental Law Journal Volume 28 ("HELJ"), we proudly present our Summer 2022 Issue. We are honored to publish HELJ's Summer Issue and hope we have contributed to the environmental law field, both in our publication and in the way we built the UC Hastings environmental law community.

This Issue touches upon a wide range of environmental topics from across the globe. Professor Ebbe Rogge and Lara Ohnesorge, Ph.D., suggest increased oversight and regulation of ESG Rating Agencies are required to ensure those agencies fulfill their role in tackling climate change through a market-based approach. Our fellow UC Hastings Alumni, Brandon A. Prince's article explores how a National Wildfire Insurance program may mitigate large-scale debt from devastating wildfires in wildland-interface development. In addition, we are pleased to publish the following HELJ members. Bryant Rivera's article further examines the necessity of increased green bond market regulation to meet international goals for limiting temperature increases. Robert Pistone's article unpacks the correlation of climate change and cruel and unusual punishment from United States prisons in extreme temperature impacted areas. Lastly, Tara Pierce's article proposes a paradigm shift in socio-legal philosophy to address climate change in a timely, adequate, and equitable manner.

Finally, we would like to thank our brilliant staff for making this publication an exceptional and enjoyable process. From our production editors and staff editors assisting with footnotes and technical editing, to our development team growing alumni engagement, to our acquisitions team working hard to procure articles; everyone played an integral part in the Summer 2022 Issue's success. Congratulations to the Class of 2022 we can't wait to see your impact as practicing attorneys. Best of luck to our successors, George Simpson and Jillian Guernsey, you will do great. Further, we would like to thank our UC Hastings Faculty Advisor, Professor David Takacs. Prof. Takacs epitomizes the quest for environmental justice, is an inspiration to all of his students, and is the quintessential mentor. We also want to acknowledge Associate Director of Scholarly Publication, Jennifer Ta, for her impeccable guidance. Thank you all for your hard work and diligence.

We hope you find HELJ's Summer 2022 Issue inspiring.

Brendan Daly & Andrew B. Rubang
Editors-in-Chief
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