

NOTE FROM THE EDITORS

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Throughout this journal's past and within this Volume, we have focused on maintaining a high quality of legal scholarship. To add to this tradition, we have also begun focusing on our environmental impact. Starting with this Issue, the *Hofstra Law Review* will begin using a 30% recycled paper blend in all of our hard copies, consistent with ABA recommendations for law firms.¹ Our incoming Editor-in-Chief is equally committed to limiting our environmental impact and will do so throughout our next Volume through various initiatives.

To mark this paradigm shift, the *Hofstra Law Review* is publishing this special environmental Issue headlined with a fantastic Article by Ryan Stoa on the EPA's Clean Power Plan.² We have also chosen to print this Issue on 100% post-consumer content recycled paper. Lastly, we have purchased carbon credits to offset this Issue's printing, making the printing process carbon neutral.³

We hope that this marks a trend in the publication of law journals and serves to lessen our impact on the environment.

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1. *Office Paper & WasteWise*, AM. BAR ASS'N, https://web.archive.org/web/20170504153251/http://www.americanbar.org/groups/environment_energy_resources/public_service/aba_epa_law_office_climate_challenge/office_paper_wastewise.html (last visited Apr. 22, 2019).

2. Ryan B. Stoa, *From the Clean Power Plan to the Affordable Energy Rule: How Regulated Entities Adapt to Regulatory Change and Uncertainty*, 47 HOFSTRA L. REV. 863 (2019). This Issue also includes two student Notes on other aspects of environmental law. See Alexandra M. Davidson, Note, *To Explore Outer Space: The Intellectual Property Frontier for Patents*, 47 HOFSTRA L. REV. 889 (2019) (discussing the need for a uniform patent system in space law); Veronica Pareja, Note, *Weathering the Second Storm: How Bureaucracy and Fraud Curtailed Homeowners' Efforts to Rebuild After Superstorm Sandy*, 47 HOFSTRA L. REV. 925 (2019) (discussing various issues with the federal government's response to those affected by Superstorm Sandy).

3. To calculate the approximate carbon footprint caused by printing, we utilized a current study that estimated that the production a single paperback book generated 2.71 kg of CO₂-eq. See Jean-Robert Wells et al., *Carbon Footprint Assessment of a Paperback Book*, 16 J. INDUS. ECOLOGY 212, 216 (2012). Given this estimate, our carbon footprint from printing would be equivalent to approximately 1.2 mT of CO₂-eq. To offset this, we purchased carbon credits equivalent to 2 mT of CO₂-eq.