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Welcome, readers, to the ninth year of publication at the *Richmond Journal of Law and Technology*. The entire Journal Editorial Board and Staff are pleased to report that our inundation with submissions since last Spring has permitted us to be quite choosy in selecting articles for this Issue and we hope you will enjoy them and find them to be insightful and current.

In addition, the *Journal* is preparing for our Biennial Symposium this upcoming Spring. Our topic this year will be Genetic Food Enhancement and Related Biotechnology. This breaking field is a hot topic and we are excited to present a National Level Symposium for our subscribers and members to enjoy. More details about the Symposium will be forthcoming.

Finally, we are also happy to partner with the National Legal Technology Forum, being held next month in Boston, Massachusetts. Members of the Journal will be present to interact with subscribers and professionals alike. Subscribers to the Journal may find more information in this linked PDF form. We hope that you will make plans to attend and support this excellent professional forum.

Our Issue this month consists of two articles and two student comments. Our first two authors cover groundbreaking changes in Patent Law. In Re: *Buspirone Patent and Antitrust Litigation* by Tim Meade, a student, adresses disputes arising from the manufacture, use, sale, or allegedly anticompetitive conduct relating to activity concerning the anxiety drug, buspirone. *The Doctrine of Equivalents and Prosecution History Estoppel: The Supreme Court Supports Flexibility Over Certaintiy in Patent Cases in Festo v. SMC by Sue Ann Mota, a practitioner, examines the doctrine of equivalents, prosecution history estoppel, and the Festo litigation and concludes that, while still allowing for some uncertainty, the U.S. Supreme Court in 2002 struck the correct balance in its decision to vacate the 2000 ruling of the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit on the matter.*

Our last two authors both cover engaging international issues. *In Search of a Balance Between Police Power and Privacy in the Cybercrime Treaty* by D.C. Kennedy, a student, explores the increase in police power granted by the Council of Europe's cybercrime treaty. *Sovereign Domains A Declaration of Independence of ccTLDs from Foreign Control* by Kim G. von Arx and Gregory R. Hagen, both practitioners, adresses control of root-level internet domain servers, namely ICANN's power to redelegate domains.

On behalf of the Editorial Board and entire Staff, we thank you for your continuing support and we look forward to producing a superlative volume this academic year. We also welcome your questions and comments at jolt@richmond.edu.

John Joseph Meadows Editor-in-Chief October 31, 2002 $\underline{Copyright~2002~Richmond~Journal~of~Law~\&~Technology}$