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Dear Readers:

On behalf of the 2003-2004 Editorial Board, I would like to welcome you to the fourth issue of the Richmond Journal of Law & Technology’s 2003-2004 publication term! Issue 4 is the world’s first collection of Do Not Call List materials compiled in a single law review issue. Issue 4 contains several preexisting materials, including Congressional testimony, party briefs, and amicus briefs for the Do Not Call List appeal before the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals, in addition to original scholarly articles prepared specifically for the Journal.

This issue contains nine appellate briefs from an array of parties, including the American Telemarketers Association, the United States House of Representatives, the Direct Marketing Association, the American Association of Retired Persons, and the Federal Trade Commission. These briefs provide an excellent glimpse into the law and policy surrounding the Do Not Call List as it applies to restrictions of commercial speech.

Issue 4 also contains two separate commentaries on the amendment of 16 C.F.R. pt. 310 (outlining the Do Not Call List) and a collection of prepared remarks in front of the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation and the House Committee on Energy and Commerce from a variety of individuals, including Mr. Timothy J. Muris, Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission, Mr. Gerald Cerasale, Senior Vice President for The Direct Marketing Association, Inc., and constitutional law scholar Rodney A. Smolla.

Issue 4 finally contains original articles from two individuals, Mr. Tim Searcy, Executive Director of the American Teleservices Association, and Mr. Jared Strauss, a third year law student at the Harvard Law School. The Journal will supplement our Do Not Call List issue with an additional article from Mr. Gerald Stegmaier, a practicing attorney at the Washington, D.C. law firm of Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati and an adjunct professor at the George Mason University School of Law. These three articles will examine the constitutionality of the Do Not Call List and present a policy discussion of the FTC’s restriction on commercial speech.

Please look for our fifth and final issue of this publication term, the world’s first Annual Survey on e-Discovery law, in April. For more information on when this issue, or future issues, become available, please sign up for the Journal mailing list on our main page.

I hope you find this Issue informative and relevant to today’s world. As always, we welcome your comments and suggestions in response to these pieces, as well as to the overall content, features, and appearance of our website at jolt@richmond.edu. Thank you again for your continued readership and support of our endeavors.

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