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## LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

*MaryAnn Grover*

Dear Readers,

On behalf of the *Richmond Public Interest Law Review*, it is my honor to present the first issue of Volume XXII. This is the 2018 edition of our *General Assembly in Review*.

In this issue, authors address matters that impacted the 2018 General Assembly session and will continue to impact the 2019 General Assembly session in the Commonwealth of Virginia. This issue explores the felony drug ban, Medicaid expansion, permanency solutions for youths in foster care, menstrual equity for the incarcerated, transportation for those experiencing mental health crises, and the Whole Woman's Health Act. Additionally, our issue concludes with a survey that looks at other legislation considered by the General Assembly throughout the 2018 session. While these articles touch on many high-profile issues, they also highlight otherwise unknown laws that impact Virginians each and every day. Through the publication of this issue, we are proud to facilitate the conversation on such important legislative issues.

The publication of this issue would not have been possible without the tireless work of our General Assembly Editor, Mollie Laird. Additionally, we are thankful to authors: Salam Bhatti, Brian Johns, Rosemary Gould, Ladelle McWhorter, Valeria L'Herrou, Holly Seibold, Gianna Fienberg, Snapper Tams, Victoria Zicker, Galina Varchena, and Mollie Laird. We appreciate their willingness to share their expertise with our readers. On behalf of the *Richmond Public Interest Law Review*, we sincerely hope this issue offers you insight on some of the most important matters being discussed in the Commonwealth at this time.

Sincerely,

MaryAnn Grover

*Editor-in-Chief*