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Associate Dean Judith T. Younger, the Review's advisor since its inception, has left Hofstra to become Dean of Syracuse Law School. With her goes the affection and respect of all who have had the pleasure to work with her. The Review is pleased to announce that Assistant Professor Stuart J. Rabinowitz has been selected as its new faculty advisor.

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IN HONOR OF ROGER J. TRAYNOR

The Board of Editors of the Hofstra Law Review warmly dedicates this issue of Volume 2 to the former Chief Justice of California, Roger J. Traynor. We seek to honor a man who, in his thirty years on the highest court of California, first as an Associate and later as Chief Justice, has made significant contributions to many areas of the law. It would be impossible, in one issue, to praise or appraise all of his work. We have, therefore, chosen one subject—products liability—in which Justice Traynor has written only a handful of decisions and one major law review article.
Qualitatively, however, his work has had a great impact on the substantive law of products liability throughout the nation. It is remarkable, indeed, that such a small number of decisions from one state’s highest court should command so much attention and respect.

During this academic year, and with this issue of the Law Review, we also celebrate the tenth anniversary of the promulgation by the American Law Institute of §402A of the Restatement (Second) of Torts which recognized for the first time a cause of action based on strict tort liability for the benefit of plaintiffs injured by defective products. In this important development, Justice Traynor played an important role—he was then an Adviser to the Institute.

It might be presumptuous for law students to undertake an extensive analysis of Justice Traynor’s work, for we have come to know it largely through our casebooks. We have found his work to be lucid, well-written, and inspiring. In this issue, therefore, some of Justice Traynor’s closest colleagues, admirers, and critics present their evaluations. We know that he will take them in the spirit in which they are intended—as a tribute to him, a superb jurist and a great man.
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