A WORD FROM THE EXECUTIVE EDITORS

With this volume of the *Journal of Court Innovation* we have a change in the masthead. Robert Keating, one of our founding editors, has taken on a new position as Vice President for Strategic Initiatives at Pace University. Judge Keating provided much of the vision, energy, and leadership that helped take the *Journal* from an abstract idea to a tangible reality. And, while we will miss Judge Keating, we are very happy to announce the arrival of Judge Juanita Bing Newton as the new Dean of the New York State Judicial Institute and as our new co-Executive Editor of the *Journal.*

This issue is divided into two parts. Part One reproduces the transcript of the December 1, 2008 Colloquium on the Future of Commercial Litigation in New York: Developing a Cost-Efficient Process for the Electronic Age. As Jeremy Feinberg notes in his introduction, the Colloquium had its genesis in an earlier project undertaken by New York's Unified Court System: the Commercial Division Focus Group Project, a series of focus groups held throughout the State over a two-year period that focused on the division of the New York trial courts that handles complex commercial cases. The Colloquium, sponsored by the Judicial Institute, brought together members of the bench and bar for a full-day discussion about two topics of particular moment in commercial cases: e-discovery and alternative dispute resolution (ADR). The keynote speeches, the two panel discussions and the article by Thomas Y. Allman explore issues that are national in scope. We think you will find the in-depth discussions of the panelists and speakers to be thought-provoking and enlightening.

In Part Two, you will find two practice pieces. Michelle Manasse takes a close look at obstacles confronted by practitioners in a Georgia mental health court and Robert Wolf considers statewide coordination of problem-solving courts. We round out the issue with two book reviews submitted by our student editors.

As always, we welcome your feedback.