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FOREWORD

I am delighted that the students on *the Journal of Transnational Law and Policy* have decided to dedicate this issue to Richard Lillich. Richard was spending his fall semesters at the University of Virginia Law School, where he has long been the Howard W. Smith Professor of Law, and his spring semesters at Florida State University College of Law, in his capacity as our Edward Ball Eminent Scholar in International Law. He was Faculty Advisor to this *Journal*.

Richard's passing has been a great loss to his family, to his friends, to the international law community, particularly the international human rights community, and of course to his students and colleagues in Charlottesville and in Tallahassee. And what a superb teacher and colleague he was! Carrying out the vision of the Ball Chair to train students at a law school in Florida to practice in international law, Richard taught both Human Rights Law and courses in International Litigation. His sophistication and expertise both as a legal scholar and as a legal practitioner were superb.

Even as I write, our community is still being enriched by visits to our campus of distinguished figures in international law whom Richard invited to Tallahassee before his sudden death. Our curriculum will be poorer without Richard, and my colleagues and I shall miss his wry humor in our faculty lounge. But the most extraordinary contribution of Richard to our campus has been his contribution to our scholarly life. Students and faculty alike soon learned that they could turn to him for careful counsel on their manuscripts. Richard was a "hands on" scholar who gave unselfishly to anyone willing to work hard to develop their scholarship. He cared about our students, our faculty, and this *Journal*. He shall be sorely missed.

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