

## From the Editor

This issue is short but sweet.

Every article is unique. Mark Cooney's article is nothing less than a mini-casebook full of examples of how different style flaws have affected litigation. Larry Howell fills a big gap in the literature by detailing how to draft proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law. Preston Torbert's questions-only article makes a powerful case for the fundamental importance of contract drafting as a form of lawmaking — and for the need to treat it as a doctrine. And Christopher Trudeau presents the most detailed study yet on the public's attitude toward legal communication.

This will be my last issue as editor in chief of the *Journal*. I've held that position for the last seven issues, and I was the managing editor for three issues before that. That's a nice round number — ten. I'm honored to have served and proud of the body of work. I'll try to stay involved with the *Journal* in some capacity, but in any case, I know that it will be placed in good hands.

One last time: my thanks to the Scribes board members for giving me this opportunity; to my fellow editors Beverly Burlingame, David Schultz, Wayne Schiess, and Mark Cooney for their exceptional skill and diligence; to Karen Magnuson for her superb copyediting; to Patricia Schuelke for her tireless design work; and to Thomas Cooley Law School for sponsoring the *Journal* during most of my tenure. Cooley has been magnificent.

Onward and upward.

— Joseph Kimble

