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Editor's Preface

Six years ago the Villanova Law Review presented its inaugural edition of the Third Circuit Review, a survey of selected opinions of the Third Circuit treated in the conventional “casenote” form. This format was followed in the first four annual editions of the Third Circuit Review, but was changed in Volume 23 to include articles written by members of the bar. Yet another approach has been taken in this edition, however. This year’s Third Circuit Review is comprised entirely of student authored pieces, both conventional “casenotes” for reviews of single decisions and more expansive “mini-comments” and “comments” for analyses of broader areas of the law. It is believed that this format facilitates the widest possible coverage of recent developments within the Third Circuit without sacrificing the neutral perspective which only an academic context provides.

This edition is also organized in an unconventional manner. It is divided into topic areas in alphabetical order, with both comments and casenotes appearing under their appropriate topic heads. Comments relating to a particular topic appear within that area first, followed by mini-comments and then casenotes.

We are hopeful that this approach to the Third Circuit Review will be of greater benefit to our readers than have past editions. Because we are always searching for ways to improve our service to practicing members of the bar, to the bench, and to the academic community, any input in this regard would be most appreciated. Kindly address any comments or criticisms to the Third Circuit Review Editor.

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