Co-Editors' Note

As the current team, one that spans three countries on two continents, submits this first issue of our final volume together, the North American wing wishes to say a deep thank you to Jennifer Balint, the journal's book review editor. Jennifer has been a key reason for the ongoing success of the journal over the last few years. She has provided a steady flow of book reviews, ensuring reviews that are appropriate both to the general issues and to our special issues. Her contributions as book review editor give depth and reach to the insights about current law and society research that the *Law & Society Review* is able to offer its readers.

This issue shows well the importance of the book review section. The first review provides us with a look into the exciting new collection edited by Annie Bunting and Joel Quirk, *Contemporary Slavery: Popular Rhetoric and Political Practice*. The review, authored by Barrington Walker, provides us with an historian's insights into this collection's engagement with the trajectory of slavery and its legacies. The second book review in this issue is by Hadar Aviram of *Desistance from Sexual Offending: Narratives of Retirement, Regulation and Recovery* by Danielle Arlanda Harris. Aviram describes this book as "a refreshing work of ethical and moral complexity" and her review convinces us of the importance of the research the book chronicles in the current political moment.

Of course, this issue has an exciting collection of articles in it as well. All three co-editors have worked on these essays and we are pleased by the range of topics with which the authors engage and with the quality and creativity of the research the articles represent.

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