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FOREWORD FROM THE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

First published in the Fall of 1997, *Marquette Intellectual Property Law Review* (“MIPLR”) enjoyed its twentieth anniversary this academic year. Originally staffed by fifteen staffers, the *MIPLR* was created to provide a forum for scholarly discourse on intellectual property issues and has gained widespread distribution. To celebrate the twentieth year of the Review, our current staff of eighteen organized the “Symposium on Innovation in Wisconsin” in October 2017.

As originally conceived by our Lead Articles Editors, Veronica Corcoran and Anjali Sharma, this Symposium issue would be an opportunity to explore a broad range of innovative developments in the state of Wisconsin. To innovate, of course, suggests that some new knowledge is being applied, and so this Symposium brought together academics and professionals to discuss how a wide range of innovations in Wisconsin’s established industries, including the entertainment environmental, and health-care industries, and its emerging entrepreneurial environments, bode well for the state’s future. This Symposium continues the enduring work of *MIPLR* in serving the state of Wisconsin and suggests future directions the law review will go in the future.

In this issue, the *Marquette Intellectual Property Law Review* proudly publishes the papers that were presented at the Symposium. On behalf of Marquette University Law School, I would like to thank the authors who contributed to the symposium: Molly Madonia, Professor Nathaniel Hammons, Professor Daniel Sem, Professor David Strifling, Professor John Baldacchino, and Matthew Gagnier. We would also like to thank Dean Joseph Kearney and Associate Dean of Academic Affairs Chad Oldfather for their support of this special issue of the *MIPLR*. Additional thanks are due to the *MIPLR* editors and staff for their work that made publication possible, especially to our Managing Editors, Matthew Gagnier and Courtney Roelandts, for their exceptional efforts and dedication to ensure the validity and accuracy of the scholarships presented.

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