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Sentencing systems—and sentencing judges' decisions—encompass many elements, including what happens long after court adjourns. This rare double issue of *FSR* revolves around the vital and timely topic of post-sentencing collateral consequences and restoration of rights. Many of these pieces spring from a January 2018 American Law Institute/National Conference of State Legislatures Roundtable Conference in Washington, D.C. That meeting focused on the American Law Institute's recently adopted *Model Penal Code: Sentencing's* treatment of restoration of rights for people with a criminal record. *FSR* is fortunate to have the leader of that gathering, Margaret Love, serve as the Guest Editor of this issue.

Ms. Love, a former U.S. Pardon Attorney and the Executive Director of the Collateral Consequences Resource Center (http://ccresourcecenter.org/), has authored numerous publications about collateral consequences and rights restoration. The wide array of authors and materials presented here paint a rich and nuanced picture of an area of law that is truly in motion. At a macro level, we see the Model Penal Code's efforts against the backdrop of what many call America's criminal record exceptionalism. At a more granular level, there are deep dives into the varied practices of five states and the federal government. Finally, two *FSR* editors examine restoration in the distinctive areas of marijuana and sex offenses.

In a future issue, *FSR* will examine the Norwegian sentencing regime with an eye toward understanding what lessons it may hold for the United States. We are also following the pending federal prison reform bills that are wending their way through both the House and the Senate. In short, the first Volume of *FSR*'s fourth decade promises to keep exploring the breadth and depth of criminal sentencing.

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