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The Board of Editors is proud to dedicate Volume 36 of the Catholic University Law Review to Dean Steven P. Frankino for his contributions to improving the quality of the education at the Columbus School of Law. Dean Frankino is certainly a Catholic University veteran. He received both his undergraduate and law degrees here in 1959 and 1962, respectively. During his law school career, he was Research Editor for Volume 11 of the Review and later served as its Faculty Advisor. He served as an assistant professor at the Columbus School of Law from 1963-1965. Dean Frankino then taught at Villanova University School of Law from 1965-1971. From 1971-77 he served as Dean at Creighton University School of Law. He then entered private practice as a partner at Kutak, Rock & Huie in Omaha, Nebraska. In 1979, he was named Dean and Counsel to Catholic University. In January of 1987, Dean Frankino returned to Villanova as the Dean of the Law School. Undoubtedly, he has left a lasting impression on both our school and the students who knew him.

From the initial meeting at Hartke Theater as he welcomed anxious first year students to the rigors of legal education, to the still-anxious third years encountering his sharp legal mind and wit in “Conflict of Laws,” he represented the type of articulate, knowledgable and thoughtful lawyer that Catholic University students should strive to be. Traditionally, at the first class of the semester in “Conflicts,” he would tell his students that he was there as an instructor and not as Dean, thus, viewing his responsibilities as educator and administrator separately. In both of these roles, Dean Frankino has been a tremendous success. We thank him for his numerous contributions to our school and wish him well at Villanova.