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## TRIBUTE

### THE LAND AND WATER LAW REVIEW: A TRADITION OF EXCELLENCE

Members of the present staff of the *Land and Water Law Review* have been asked from time to time why Wyoming doesn't have a law review. That people who are unacquainted with Wyoming's law school or natural resources law would be unfamiliar with our journal was a condition anticipated by the founders of the *Land and Water Law Review* twenty-five years ago. However, the founders correctly predicted that the new journal, superseding the *Wyoming Law Journal*, would actually heighten the school's reputation among those aware of natural resources law.

Twenty-five years later, the *Land and Water Law Review* has become an excellent journal by attracting articles from leading natural resources law authorities. Over the years the *Review* has published natural resources and environmental law articles by such notable scholars as John D. Leshy, Charles F. Wilkinson, George A. Gould, George Cameron Coggins, Donald Zillman, Robert Keiter, A. Dan Tarlock, Raphael Moses, Clyde Martz, Don Serwood, Ralph Johnson, Michael C. Blumm, Ludwik A. Teclaff, Jackson B. Battle, Joseph R. Geraud, Denis Binder, Mark Squillace, Peter C. Maxfield and John Bonine. Frank J. Trelease, of course, was a frequent contributor through most of the law review's first twenty-five years. In addition, the *Review* is charged with a duty to the Wyoming Bar to publish timely commentaries on Wyoming law.

This short tribute includes comments by a long-time Wyoming faculty member and former dean, George Rudolph, and two former editors-in-chief. George Gould, Professor of Law at the McGeorge School of Law, University of the Pacific, ran the *Review* in 1972-73. Sid Moller, formerly an assistant professor at Wyoming and now Professor of Law at Mississippi College School of Law, was in charge in 1981-82. Each of the writers has a different perspective on the *Review* that is reflected in his comments.

The purpose of this tribute is to commemorate not ourselves but the many men and women responsible for a successful twenty-five years of the *Review*. They established a tradition of excellence that students of the present and future can only hope to match. Recently our Board was called "archaic," because we still check each footnote in every piece by hand. However, we are glad to put out that extra effort, as our predecessors did, in an effort to ensure the utmost accuracy in the articles. It is that tradition of excellence that was spawned twenty-five years ago and has continued to this day. And the staff of next year's Volume XXVI is likely to continue the tradition with the involvement of high quality students.

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