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EDITOR'S FOREWORD

This issue of the *South Carolina Law Quarterly* completes Volume 10, and also marks the tenth anniversary of the *Quarterly* as a joint venture of the South Carolina Bar Association and the faculty and students of the University of South Carolina School of Law.

In the first issue of the *Quarterly* (September, 1948), the Foreword stated, in part, “. . . a very effective instrumentality for the promotion and betterment of the standards of the Bar of South Carolina has been created,” and “. . . the publication of this Law Quarterly . . . will prove a decided step forward in promoting a closer and more harmonious relationship between the present and future lawyers of this State, and that the future will establish unquestionably that this is one of the most worthwhile undertakings in which your Bar Association has ever engaged.”

Whether the *Quarterly* has or has not attained this statement of purpose depends, by its nature, on the needs and interests of the individual reader.

Since the *Law Quarterly* is especially for the present and future lawyers of the state, our material has been directed primarily to subjects local in interest and practical in value which are either common or unique in South Carolina law and its environs. This material has been disseminated through leading articles, student works (law notes and case notes), and book reviews. In addition to this standard format, the first ten volumes have introduced the annual *Survey of South Carolina Law*; the *Summary of Recent Legislation*; opinions from the Committee on Ethics and Professional Responsibility; and two special issues — *Special Issue on Water Law* and Judge Whaley's *Handbook on Evidence*. A third special issue, now in preparation, will be the ten-year cumulative index of the *Law Quarterly*, 1948-1958, with publication scheduled in September.

Reflecting on this tenth anniversary, we gratefully acknowledge the efforts, ability, and interest of our predecessors of the staff, faculty, and Bar, who created and have maintained this publication, and to our contributors, whose cooperation, talent and interest are our instruments for the “promotion and betterment of the standards of the Bar of South Carolina”.

A large portion of this issue is comprised of three annual features of the *Quarterly — Transactions of the Annual Meeting of the South Carolina Bar Association, Memorials, and A Summary of Recent Legislation* — which should be of particular interest to the members of the Bar Association.

The five leading articles are concerned with federal taxation and its application in some of the common and practical problems of legal counselling.

These articles, by recognized authorities in their respective fields, have been adapted for the *Quarterly* from lectures delivered at the Federal Tax Symposium conducted at the Law School in November, 1957, and sponsored by the University of South Carolina School of Law and School of Business Administration, The South Carolina Bar Association, and The South Carolina Association of Certified Public Accountants.

Two recent books concerning constitutional government and the judicial process receive attention in the Book Review Section. *States' Rights—The Law of the Land*, by Charles J. Bloch, Esq., of the Macon (Georgia) Bar is reviewed by Samuel L. Prince, Dean of the University of South Carolina School of Law, and *The Bill of Rights*, Judge Learned Hand's masterful treatise, is reviewed by Robert McC. Figg, Jr., Esq., of the Charleston Bar.

A recent opinion by the Committee on Ethics and Professional Responsibility is reproduced in this issue.

The Index to Volume 10 is included in this, the final issue of the volume, and as previously noted, a cumulative index of all 10 volumes of the *Quarterly* is currently being prepared for publication.

We welcome your suggestions, criticism, or assistance.

CHARLES M. GIBSON.