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## EDITOR'S FOREWORD

With the publication of this issue, the new staff of the *South Carolina Law Quarterly* begins its efforts in the legal publications field. From the outset we have been aware of the fact that such an endeavor cannot be successful without the help of many people and agencies. We therefore think it appropriate that a grateful "thank you" be extended to those students, members of the Law School faculty, members of the South Carolina Bar and other contributors from within and without the state who have supported and will continue to support the publication of the *Quarterly*. Moreover, it is realized that if the *Quarterly* is to continue to grow and to improve, it must have the benefit of suggestions and criticisms from every quarter. Hence, each and every reader is invited to make known to the staff any comments which might arise concerning the *Quarterly*.

We are indeed proud to present the second of a series of articles written by Professor David H. Means of the Law School faculty. This article, which was taken from a more extensive study of South Carolina property law compiled by Professor Means, deals with the recording acts in South Carolina. It is believed that this article will be of inestimable value to the practitioner and the student of the law.

Under the direction of Charles M. Gibson, the *Quarterly* has resumed the publication of a Book Review section. This section had been discontinued for some time but its undeniable value required that it be revived. The reader is directed to the headnote of this section for a more detailed account of the function of the Book Review section.

In accord with established policy, the current opinions rendered by the Committee on Ethics and Professional Responsibility of the South Carolina State Bar Association are reproduced in this issue.

It is pleasing to report that the circulation of the *Quarterly* is continuing to grow. At this printing, the total circulation is slightly less than 1,300 copies. In addition, the flow of orders for back issues has steadily grown — a fact that indicates that the newer subscribers are beginning to recognize that this publication is a valuable addition to the research

library. The number of orders from non-subscribers for single issues has also increased. Most of the orders of this type come from out of state and this is welcome proof that the *Quarterly* is gaining nation-wide recognition.

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