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Grove City College

Grove City College was founded in 1876 in Grove City, Pennsylvania. The College is dedicated to providing high quality liberal arts and professional education in a Christian environment at an affordable cost. Nationally accredited and globally acclaimed, Grove City College educates students through the advancement of free enterprise, civil and religious liberty, representative government, arts and letters, and science and technology. True to its founding, the College strives to develop young leaders in areas of intellect, morality, spirituality, and society through intellectual inquiry, extensive study of the humanities, the ethical absolutes of the Ten Commandments, and Christ's moral teachings. The College advocates independence in higher education and actively demonstrates that conviction by exemplifying the American ideals of individual liberty and responsibility.

Since its inception, Grove City College has consistently been ranked among the best colleges and universities in the nation. Recent accolades include: The Princeton Review's "America's Best Value Colleges," Young America's Foundation "Top Conservative College," and U.S. News & World Report's "America's Best Colleges."

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Journal of Law & Public Policy

The *Grove City College Journal of Law & Public Policy* was organized in the fall of 2009 and is devoted to the academic discussion of law and public policy and the pursuit of scholarly research. Organized by co-founders James Van Eerden '12, Kevin Hoffman '11, and Steven Irwin '12, the *Journal* was originally sponsored by the Grove City College Law Society. The unique, close-knit nature of the College's community allows the *Journal* to feature the work of undergraduates, faculty, and alumni, together in one publication.

Nearly entirely student-managed, the *Journal* serves as an educational tool for undergraduate students to gain invaluable experience that will be helpful in graduate school and their future careers. The participation of alumni and faculty editors and the inclusion of alumni and faculty submissions add credence to the publication and allow for natural mentoring to take place. The *Journal* continues to impact educational communities around the country and can now be found in the law libraries of Akron University, Regent University, Duquesne University, the University of Pittsburgh, and Pennsylvania State University. The *Journal* has been cited in numerous academic publications and continues to be supported by a myriad of law schools, law firms, and think tanks around the nation.

EDITOR'S PREFACE

Dear Esteemed Reader,

It is my great privilege to present the 16th Volume of the *Grove City College Journal of Law and Public Policy*. Although the *Journal* faced substantially increased printing costs at the beginning of the year, our Executive Committee has worked tirelessly to secure funding for this volume and continue our mission to pursue scholarship in law and public policy.

Following the success of our 15th Anniversary Symposium, this year's editorial team prioritized connecting with Grove City alumni and our readers. We were honored to meet Alumni Award Winner, Brig. Gen. Brad Butler '76, this past fall to discuss the *Journal's* advancement of public policy scholarship can address more public policy issues. Additionally, this spring, the *Journal* hosted the first Law Alumni Mixer at K & L Gates Pittsburgh to honor President McNulty for his years of service to Grove City College and his indispensable support of the *Journal* over the years. I would like to express my deep gratitude to Melissa McLeod, Jeff Prokavich, Jim Segerdahl '84 for their vision and willingness to make this event a reality.

The *Journal* continues to serve the campus community by promoting scholarship and providing a forum for students to develop skills for academic and professional success. This year's editorial team has blessed me with their patience and dedication to completing Vol. 16 on time. I am additionally grateful for the contributions of our associate editors and the invaluable advice and guidance of President McNulty and Dr. Caleb Verbois. It is my hope that you find the selected articles intellectually stimulating and enjoyable to read.

Roan A. Fair '26

Editor-in-Chief

FORWARD

Dear Reader,

I am honored to welcome you to Volume 16 of the *Grove City College Journal of Law and Public Policy*. It has been a privilege to work alongside my fellow members of the Executive Committee, our associate editors, and all of those responsible for the *Journal*—one of the few undergraduate peer-reviewed journals in the country. The hard work of our editors continues to serve as a testament to Grove City College’s commitment scholarship that preserves the values of faith and freedom that we hold so dearly.

With each addition to *Journal*’s legacy, we are encouraged by members of the Board of Trustees to compile a volume that tackles issues encapsulating both aspects of the *Journal*’s masthead—law and public policy. Volume 16 fits within that vision and aids in thoughtful discussion of some of the most pressing issues facing the country today.

Volume 16 begins with a book review delivered by Jacob Sheldon Feiser ‘24. He provides insight into Johnathan O’Neill’s *Originalism in American Law and Politics: A Constitutional History*. The first article, an economic analysis by Joshua C. Xu ‘26, explores the ability of IMF conditions to promote growth when operating within different institutional climates. The second essay, by Nathan R. Sybrandy, dissects the legal ramifications arising from the recent sex versus gender debate. Concluding the volume, Tamás Klein ‘26 and Scott T. Cross ‘26 offer an economic analysis that examines the consequences of intervention in the world of trophy hunting.

I extend much gratitude to this year’s team of editors for their hard work throughout the year that has brought this publication into your hands. We hope that you find these essays to be helpful in your intellectual endeavors,

Isaac J. Good ‘26

Senior Articles Editor