

**WHERE WE HAVE BEEN
&
WHERE WE ARE GOING**

As feminist jurisprudence has grown, so too has this Journal. Originally founded as a forum in which to discuss the law's ever-changing effects on women, the *Harvard Women's Law Journal* has continually documented women's legal victories (and persistent struggles) over the past twenty-six years. While our progress is certainly cause for celebration, much remains to be done.

Women's early battles of access and inclusion in the workplace are slowly being won. Today, new questions of workplace equality exist, and concerns about how to balance work and family persist. The relevance of these issues warrant attention and, as a result, occupy much of this year's Journal. In addition, violence against women remains a constant threat to women's mental, physical, and emotional health. For the first time, this Journal contains a focus section devoted entirely to variations on this theme, and includes ways in which the law can better protect women.

As we celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of women graduating from Harvard Law School and the appointment of the first female Dean in the Law School's 186-year history, we remember where we have been, in order to evaluate where we are headed. We dedicate this volume of the *Harvard Women's Law Journal* to those who have fought to make feminist jurisprudence and women's issues a valued part of legal education. In particular, to the courageous women who first opened the doors of Harvard Law School, we say thank you; because of your bravery, there is a place for us here. To future generations of women who will continue to shape feminist jurisprudence, we wish you great success.

—THE EDITORS-IN-CHIEF