



## Editor's Note

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With this issue, my time on the *IDC Quarterly's* Editorial Board comes to an end. Every quarter for the last five years, I have been privileged to edit the *IDC Quarterly*. It will feel strange to read the it only *after* it is published.

Truth be told, it takes a village to get the *IDC Quarterly* to you. The IDC does not employ professional journalists and editors. Rather, the IDC relies on its members to author columns and edit the submissions. I have a great appreciation for the time and care each of our authors and editors take to bring you important and timely content. I will never cease to be amazed at these efforts. The IDC is lucky to have many smart and dedicated members and leaders.

Personally, I owe a debt of gratitude to the members of the Editorial Board: Matt Thompson, Catherine Cooke, Jeremy Burton, James DuChateau, and Britta Sahlstrom. Editing is not always fun or easy and cite checking is not any more fun now than it was in law school. Yet, every issue these editors work hard to help our authors sharpen their articles, strike the right tone, and ensure that the content published meets the high standards and expectations you expect from the *IDC Quarterly*. Last, but certainly not least, many thanks are owed to Sandra Wulf and our graphic designer, Polly Danforth. Sandra is always available for guidance. As I said, it takes a village.

Developing, researching, and authoring The Monograph also takes a village. The Monograph this issue, authored by Sarah Jansen and Holly Whitlock-Glave with contributions from past president Aleen Tiffany, and Zeke Katz, identifies important considerations in construction agreements and presents many useful practice tips. The three feature articles are also interesting and useful. Andrew Corkery artfully discusses the discoverability of materials provided to experts under Illinois Supreme Court Rule 213 and Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26. Sean Sheehan lays out developments and concerns when resolving cases with plaintiffs who have Medicare Parts C or D coverages. Pat Eckler's feature article focused on the formal recognition of the so-called joint defense privilege is especially germane.

President Michael Resis has helmed the IDC this year and recounts some of the IDC's many achievements and contributions from his term. As he notes, the IDC's continuing education program continues to evolve, the IDC continues to advocate for civil justice, and the IDC continues to grow. Indeed, the IDC's strength comes from its members. In his Legislative Update, John Eggum, announces a new initiative to encourage your involvement identifying solutions to legislative issues.

Julie Bruch's Employment Law column is a must read for employment law practitioners as she explains important developments regarding the tolling of state law employment claims after the federal claims have been dismissed. The Civil Practice column authored by Pat Eckler presents interesting First Amendment implications of e-filing. The Workers' Compensation Report also highlights how e-filing has impacted seeking judicial review.

Of course, this is just a hint of what you will find on these pages. Importantly, this issue is fully of practical tips to guide your practice. I hope you enjoy!



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