PREFACE

Dear Reader, on behalf of the Editorial Board, we are proud to introduce the first issue of the UCL Journal of Law and Jurisprudence in 2019.

Continuing on from our Autumn 2018 publication, we are once again pleased to present leading work in the field of criminal law. Dr Mark D'Souza, Lecturer in the UCL Faculty of Laws, offers a philosophically informed evaluation of the English law on criminal accessorial liability. Developing his ideas from a theoretical framework on criminal culpability he proposed in 2015, D'Souza's argument on attributing an occurrence strikes us as an especially innovative contribution.

The Journal's second piece, by Pavlo Malyuta, skilfully binds the distinct fields of international arbitration and human rights law. Malyuta highlights the unique characteristics of unilateral option clauses in arbitration, and adeptly explains why the points of law established in the context of arbitration cannot be directly imported into the human rights context. We are also delighted to present research on company law by a recent UCL LLM graduate, Shenara Perera. Perera's piece on shareholder remedies, addressing Section 994 and Part 11 of the 2006 Companies Law Act, is especially noteworthy for its analysis on the use of the provision for personal relief and the aim of the two-stage test for the derivative claim.

One of the Journal's goals is to inform our readers of current research in a wide range of legal scholarship, and the book reviews by Eric Loefflad and Julia Bambach contribute to this objective wonderfully. In Loefflad's piece we find great interest in the contemporary relevance of the historical materials on which the book focuses. As to Bambach's contribution, drone warfare is an important issue in contemporary military conflict that attracts much political and moral discussion, and we are glad to see this reflected in the pages of the Journal.

As always, we owe a tremendous debt to our LLM and PhD colleagues serving on the Editorial Board, who have devoted much time, energy and expertise to reviewing submissions. We believe the Journal's commitment to the double-blind review process is crucial to our ability to publish rigorous research from established scholars and postgraduate law students alike.

In particular, we thank the Board members who undertook the task of editing those pieces selected for publication. We hope that the experience was a valuable one for both our editors and the authors. We also wish to extend our gratitude to Jim Onyemenam, who has fulfilled the newly established role of Deputy Managing Editor with great enthusiasm and professionalism.

Finally, we would like to express our utmost thanks to Professor Alison Diduck, our Acting Faculty Editor, and who also kindly provided the foreword, for her guidance and support over the course of this academic year.

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