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The Buffalo Human Rights Law Review is honored to present its Volume 7 edition for 2001. We hope that the words contained in this publication will inspire the continued study and exploration of the world of human rights. As we enter the third millennium, we find ourselves facing many difficult legal questions. These legal issues that divide us are often born from the battle for some fundamental human need. From a distance, it is easier to make each battle something foreign and each person within the battle a stranger. It is our hope that through our journal we might bring these legal stories into the light of our common humanity. The Buffalo Human Rights Law Review hopes that the legal concepts presented here will spark the human rights imagination and inspire active participation in this legal adventure.

This edition of the Buffalo Human Rights Law Review contains writings that address a variety of human rights issues. The first piece addresses race relations in the United States and explores the class stratification expressed through these categories. This is followed by an article on typologies involving human rights laws and systems by which we may learn better about them. Following this is an article on the brutal international phenomenon of trafficking in women. We are also pleased to present an interesting collection of notes involving human rights in various complex contexts. The first note addresses dancers and their struggle for labor rights in professional dance companies through collective bargaining. The next note involves the crisis of AIDS in Africa and the legal obstacles faced when trying to obtain the necessary pharmaceuticals. Following this is a note exploring anti-Semitism in Russia’s history, from tsarist Russia to the present. The final note confronts the complexities of the World Bank in the ever growing and expanding global economy.

It was a great pleasure working with such a wonderful Editorial Board and staff of Associates on this year’s edition of the Buffalo Human Rights Law Review. As Editors-in-Chief, Jeri N. Hagen and I are honored to have had the chance to get to know these individuals and witness their dedicated work. We would like to express our appreciation to the Deans of the University at Buffalo School of Law for their support. We are grateful to Professor Makau Mutua for his insightful guidance and encouragement of our journal. We would also like to thank the readers of this journal for your interest in human rights. We welcome and would appreciate your thoughts on our journal. As always, we encourage and look forward to receiving submissions that involve human rights in their limitless legal contexts.