

**ROBERT E. LUTZ:
PAUL E. TREUSCH PROFESSOR OF LAW
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The symposium in this issue is dedicated to Professor Robert E. Lutz in honor of his distinguished and continuing career of legal service to the law school, to the legal profession, and to the community of nations.

Professor Lutz's leadership, passion and academic prowess were demonstrated early on as an undergraduate at the University of Southern California, where he served in leadership positions and graduated in 1968 as a member of Phi Beta Kappa. His leadership continued at the University of California, Berkeley Law School, where he was a co-founder of the Environmental Law Quarterly, the first environmental journal in the U.S. Lutz received his J.D. in 1971 and went on to clerk for U.S. District Court Judge Edward Schwartz (S.D. Ca.). He worked as an associate at Pillsbury Madison & Sutro, served as Deputy Regional Counsel of the Federal Energy Administration, and directed the Institute for Coastal Law and Management at the University of Southern California. His first full-time teaching position was at the McGeorge Law School.

In 1978, Lutz joined the faculty of Southwestern Law School. He has held several distinguished professorships, including his current position as the Paul E. Treusch Professor of Law Emeritus. His law-school centered activities included directing the first ABA-accredited study-abroad program in China, co-founding and serving as a faculty advisor for this Journal, and bringing numerous international experts to the school to teach and write about environmental law and various international public and private law topics.

All the while, Professor Lutz was active in bar association activities, including the California State Bar's International Law Section. In 2014, that section awarded him the Warren M. Christopher International Lawyer of the Year Award for his numerous international law achievements.

On a national level, from 1983-1987, Professor Lutz served as Editor-in-Chief of the *International Law Journal*, the flagship journal of the ABA's International Law Section. Lutz participated in exchanges of U.S. lawyers with bars and law societies in a variety of countries, including China, Cuba, India, Guatemala, Brazil, South Africa, and Iran. He led a number of these delegations. In 1980 and 1984, Lutz received Alexander von Humboldt grants to study at the University of Munich and the University of Augsburg. More recently, he has received Fulbright grants to lecture and teach in Eastern European nations.

Professor Lutz's scholarship covers transnational law treatment of environmental law, public and private international law, and international aspects of the law profession. His reputation has led to experience as an arbitrator under the NAFTA agreement and to consulting for the State Department, the United States Trade Representative, and the WTO. In his work, Lutz was unfailingly principled. He has fought to vindicate the role of lawyers around the world in their role as protectors of victims of oppressive or autocratic regimes.

This substantial list of accomplishments and awards does not provide a complete picture of Professor Lutz. He is a kind and giving colleague and collaborator who reaches out to help others. As a teacher, he was always ready to answer a student's questions and helped many find their way to international related law practice. As a colleague, he was ever ready to engage with ideas for teaching, and he is generous about sharing ideas about research or writing endeavors.

Professor Lutz loves to laugh and could infectiously brighten the day for those around him by embellishing life's frustrations or the latest political gaff. His remarkable ability to make and retain friends all over the world was valuable in his own work and in assisting colleagues.

Perhaps the finest tribute to Professor Lutz is the list of contributors to this symposium, each of whom has had fruitful collaborations with him. Each took the time to contribute a substantive piece to this symposium in his honor, reflecting their high regard for Professor Lutz. The depth and breadth of their articles reflect the impressive scope of Professor Lutz's many contributions to the field. We join in saluting this scholar and lawyer who has done so much to foster the international rule of law.