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Dear Reader:

The Transportation Law Journal is pleased to present Volume 44 number 2, the first of two issues by the 2017-2018 editorial staff. This edition features a note by Joshua B. Arons, a law student at American University and a note by Michael Webert, a law student at Georgetown University.

The note by Arons opines that the state automobile franchise laws do not apply to Tesla's direct to consumer sales model. The note by Webert examines the current state the U.S. merchant marine and proposes a new national strategy that would reform the ownership and control requirements for commercial fleet.

I would like to thank our dedicated staff for their diligent work and commitment to the journal. I would like to especially thank Utsarga Bhattarai, Robert Blank, and Jon Wagner for their assistance in publishing this edition.

Sincerely,

Olga Knight  
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