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Dear Reader:

Volume 39, Issue 2 features an article by a leading man in the field on demurrage, and another wonderful article on federal preemption in cases against brokers and shippers. We at the TLJ hope that this issue will be a boon to practitioners in a very practical way, and a joy to read for those not practicing.

Mr. Moseley's article on federal preemption addresses very pertinent issues in litigation that are continually visited in a vast number of cases. We hope that this poignant piece will inform practitioners as well as members of the bench for years to come.

Mr. Sheib's piece on demurrage is a very interesting commentary on why case law should align more with the federal demurrage statute, and how the current case law undermines the purposes and perverts the purpose of the federal statute. We hope that this will be a source of authority that can either be used in a persuasive way in the courts to affect change in the case law, or perhaps in the annals of Congress to tailor the statute more precisely.

I would like to extend special thanks to my executive board and all our new members that helped bring this issue to publication.

We hope you enjoy this spring issue of the Journal as much as we did.

Best wishes,

Alex Wenzel 2011-2012 Editor-in-Chief