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Of all the industries which comprise the international economy, few have a closer relationship with government than transportation. In the United States, although large segments of the transportation industry have been deregulated over the past three decades, this sector still relies on the government for much of its oversight. As we move into the next millennium, some commentators are calling for a return to the previous regulatory regime, where most, if not all aspects, of the transportation industry were vested in the federal government; others insist that deregulation did not go far enough. The articles in this issue examine this on-going relationship between federal regulation and the transportation sector.

In the first piece, Robert Hedrick explores the "Single Process Initiative" and its effect on military contractors, as established through the Supreme Court case of *Boyle v. United Technologies Corp.* Next, Robert McFarland examines the still-controversial effect of federal preemption on state common law claims in transportation. Finally, Todd Steggerda investigates the history and weaknesses of the General Aviation Revitalization Act of 1994.

Beginning with this issue, we have changed the Fall issue to a Winter issue, which allows us to better insure that the Transportation Law Journal continues to bring our subscribers the best in intermodal transportation articles. This Spring, we are planning a symposium issue on Airline Safety, and will be accepting article submissions through March 15. If you are interested in participating in the symposium, or would like to publish a piece in the future, please feel free to contact me.

We hope that you enjoy this issue.

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