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Richard B. Lillich (1933–1996)**

Professor Richard Lillich died unexpectedly on August 3, 1996, while working at his beloved Locust Mountain Farm in Charlottesville, Virginia. Richard was a scholar-activist who made an enormous contribution to the field of international law and whose career encompassed an extraordinary array of accomplishments. At the time of his death, Richard was teaching at two different institutions: he was the Howard W. Smith Professor at the University of Virginia School of Law and he held the Edward Ball Eminent Scholar Chair at Florida State University College of Law. Throughout his career, Richard believed deeply in the importance of enabling younger people to develop their talent. He was a mentor to generations of public and private international law practitioners and scholars, providing them with guidance and ideas, helping them through projects, and forever insisting that they conduct themselves with the highest intellectual honesty and professionalism. His protégés are widely spread throughout academia, government, private industry, and the public interest sector.

Richard had phenomenal organizational energy. He founded and led the Procedural Aspects of International Law Institute (PAIL) and the International Human Rights Law Group. He was the chair of the American Bar Association's Standing Committee on World Order Under Law from 1981 to 1982. He held leadership positions in many other international law organizations both in the United States and abroad, including the American Society of International Law and the International Law Association. He also organized many wonderful Sokol Colloquia at the University of Virginia, replete with marvelous meals and wry humor, on a wide variety of international law topics.

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Richard authored scores of books and articles and served frequently and actively as a consultant to the Office of the Legal Adviser of the United States Department of State. In a time of increasing specialization, Richard was a world-renowned expert in several fields, such as international human rights, international economic law, and the law of State responsibility. He was the world's leading expert in the law of international claims.

A lover of fine food, wines and cigars, Richard delighted in enjoying life to the fullest. A very private person, he nevertheless connected closely with those around him.

Richard Lillich was the international lawyer's international lawyer. His legal knowledge, intellectual rigor, physical energy, and *joie de vivre* will be sorely missed.