In view of the increased focus on corporate governance in the midst of major corporate debacles, this symposium issue devoted to international company and securities law indeed is timely. The authors contributing to the Symposium on International Company and Securities Law are comprised of respected academicians and practitioners from such countries as Australia, England, France, Germany, New Zealand, Sweden, and the United States. Subjects covered in the various articles herein focus on the laws and policies of several jurisdictions, thus providing global perspectives to the multitude of issues addressed.

I express my appreciation to the authors of this symposium issue. Their articles are significant contributions to this important and changing area.

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