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Editor's Note

Goodbye to the 20th Century and Welcome to the 21st

This is my annual opportunity to thank all my readers for continuing to support the *Business Law Review* and my authors and contributors for their constant stream of material and enthusiasm for being published in this journal. I would also like to thank my typesetters, Acorn Bookwork for managing to cope each month with a constant stream of material and many last minute adjustments to the text. Thanks should also go to the Printers who produce a good looking journal each month and send the copies directly to the authors.

With the year 2000 approaching fast, I have already started on the January 2000 issue. This will be the 21st year of publication of the *Business Law Review* and I have been reflecting on my 15 years of running the journal.

Some of the 'faithful' readers and the original members of the Editorial Board will remember that it was originally first published by Butterworths in January 1980 with Keith Walmsley as Consultant Editor, Judy Hodgson as Editor and Ruth Eldon as Assistant Editor. It was then taken over by Graham and Trotman in 1983, with Ruth Eldon as the Editor. I am happy to say that when Ruth was appointed a publisher with the International Bar Association, she maintained her connection with the journal as member of the Editorial Board. I have been the Editor since August 1985.

The original idea for the Review came from Keith Walmsley who saw the need for a journal aimed at the in-house lawyer. This slot has now been filled by several other journals and we are competing with the likes of *PLC* and *Companies and Securities Law*

Journal. However, I am happy to say that many readers have remained loyal and we have attracted new young readers from the universities and legal firms, who are keen to write for the journal as well as to read it.

With a new century beginning, I would like to think that we shall continue to expand and attract new readers and, even more important, new enthusiastic writers. Any readers of this message who would like to submit an article to the Review, please get in touch with me on 01737 360090 or by fax on 01737 363399 or by Email at Snic360090@aol.com.

I wish you all a very happy holiday season and may the muse strike you in 2000.

Susan Nicholas