FROM THE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is with great pleasure that I am sharing with you the latest issue of our journal, rich in original, highly interesting contributions. In addition to texts by Polish scholars, the volume features papers by professors from Kazakhstan, Nigeria, and India.

The issue begins with three texts exploring two extremely important issues for the law and for scientific truth. At the same time, they symbolically herald the two themes of "The Critique of Law" issues scheduled for this year (volumes III and IV).

This issue opens with a text by Professor Grzegorz Mazurek, PhD, DSc, Rector of Kozminski University in Warsaw, entitled *Artificial Intelligence, Law, and Ethics*. The second text examines the effects of bibliometric evaluations of scientific results – *Bibliometric Analysis Of Top-Ranked European Law Schools' Research Outputs: An East-West Comparison* by University of Opole Professor Piotr Stec, PhD. Both papers raise highly relevant and important issues. They are also related to the topic of issue IV/2023 of "The Critique of Law", which will be *Legal Scholarly Communication*, focusing in particular on academic fraud in journals, addressing such issues as fake reviews, hijacked journals, ChatGPT, etc.

The third text is *On Some of the Theoretical and Practical Problems Accompanying Remote Hearings in the Light of a Fair Civil Trial* by Professor Tadeusz Wiśniewski, PhD, DSc, a retired Supreme Court judge. It addresses an extremely important issue of justice and, at the same time, hints to the topic of Issue III/2023, which will be *Remote Hearings*.

You are most welcome to submit texts dealing with the above topics. Please submit articles for issue III/2023 by 15 June this year at the latest, and for issue IV/2023 – by 15 September this year.

Our editorial board is not only involved in editorial work, but has also been an active organiser of scientific projects. In 2023, it co-organises two national scientific conferences.

The first will address the reliability of remote hearings and will take place on 28 March 2023 remotely (you are most welcome to attend it; the invitation will be available on Kozminski University's website). The second will be held on 24 May this year, also remotely. Its title is: *Fake Authors, Fake Reviews, Hijacked Journals, ChatGPT*. It will be the 2nd national conference from the series *Legal Scholarly Communication*.

We hope you find the topic interesting and take part in the conference (the invitation will be available on Kozminski University's website). The said texts are related to said two issue topics and said conferences.

There are also four articles on important and universal administrative and legal problems, which we hope you find interesting. These are two texts by professors from Poland, a text by a professor from Kazakhstan, and a text by a professor from Nigeria. Please note the thematically related discussion of environmental issues in the Nigerian article (on plastics) and the Polish article (on waste collection permits).

The "Miscellaneous" section features texts on e.g. important tax matters, bank-ruptcy proceedings, and specific bequest of an enterprise in inheritance.

You will also find three articles in the "Polemics" section.

Rafal Mańko, PhD, DSc, argues with Maciej Pichlak, PhD, DSc (both having their texts published "The Critique of Law"), and doctoral student Jan Majewski, MA, challenges my latest book, O szkolnictwie wyższym i kształceniu prawników (On Higher Education and Educating Lawyers) (Warsaw, 2020), for which I am sincerely grateful. Justyna Węglińska, PhD, author of the book Realizacja bezpieczeństwa prawnego w instytucji odpowiedzialności lekarza za błąd medyczny (Warsaw 2022), responds to the review of her work by Prof. KUL Dr. Wojciech Lis, which we published in the previous issue of "The Critique of Law" (4/2022).

Authors from all over the world are welcome to submit their texts – not only addressing the suggested topics, but also discussing other issues and offering original research results. We will be glad to publish them.

I would also like to thank all the reviewers for their excellent work and commitment to the quality of science.

Jolanta Jabłońska-Bonca Editor-in-Chief of "The Critique of Law"

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