Professor Friedrich K. Juenger is a legendary figure in the field of Conflict of Laws. Attempting to capture his remarkable academic career in a few introductory words could hardly do justice to his achievements. Indeed, the summary of his major works and career highlights which follows this foreword is a testament to the tremendous vitality of his career.

This foreword should not be written, however, without setting his work in proper perspective. History has shown that there are three basic solutions to conflict-of-laws problems: multilateralism, unilateralism, and the substantive law approach. Each of these schools of thought has had support at various times, both internationally and in the U.S. and has had prominent proponents. The multilateral approach was articulated—though in varying forms—in the 19th century by Friedrich Carl von Savigny in Germany and by Joseph Story in the United States. Today, Joseph Beale, the Reporter for the First Restatement of the Conflict of Laws, is considered the *spiritus rector* of the multilateral school in the United States. The American unilateral school of thought is still dominated by Brainerd Currie who restated unilateralism in terms of competing “interests.” Leadership of the substantive law approach, in our judgment, belongs to Professor Juenger. His book *Choice of Law and Multistate Justice* is to date the most articulate and careful statement and defense of a substantive law approach to choice of law. Even those who take some issue with him on various points are open in their appreciation of the quality of his thought, research and writing.

Juenger’s prominence does not emanate from his written work alone. His eloquence and outspoken approach has earned respect and admiration at numerous speaking engagements in this country and abroad. Particularly when he acts as a critical commentator, a role he frequently assumes, another quality comes to the fore: his ever-present and disarming sense of humor in expressing his otherwise uncompromising disagreement with others. This rare combination of sincerity and light-heartedness, his relentless pursuit of the “better legal solution” and his preference for discourse over blind acceptance of ideas have been the driving forces behind his invaluable contributions to the discipline. As the next millennium begins and Professor Juenger celebrates his 70th birthday, it is now time to look back at his work and forward to its implications.
We have divided the book into three major sections. The first consists of two essays by the principal editors, each of which directly considers aspects of Professor Juenger’s work. The second consists of contributions by authors from the Americas. The third consists of contributions by authors from Europe and Australia. It is our hope that collectively they will be a fitting tribute to a remarkable man and career, and will also shed some light on important conflict-of-laws problems of our time.

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