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We began the adventure of creating the Journal on Telecommunications and High Technology Law just as the industries were, by many accounts, beginning their fatal crashes. There probably isn’t a single student on this journal who hasn’t been asked why he or she has put this much effort into constructing a periodical geared towards exploring legal questions presented by a dying industry. The answer is simple – it isn’t dying. When people want to communicate, they turn to wireless devices and e-mail more often than paper and pen. When they need to answer a question, they are more likely to consult the World Wide Web than their local research librarian. While we continue to move more and more toward a digital world, the legal questions go unanswered and the regulatory issues remain out of sync with the technology. These inquiries do not go away merely because accounting profits have. We are interested in them and we learn a great deal from exploring them. We are certain there are plenty of other minds out there anxious to tackle the challenge.

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