

Foreword

The incidence of law in any society exhibits a transcendence over various spheres of human life to the extent that there is an outcry of there being too much law and too little justice: an outcry eloquently voiced by the late Professor Deborah L Rode. The African Continent hosts the second largest and the fastest growing population in the world and hence it is the apt arena in which a most open, robust, and elevated discourse on the incidence of law can take place given the critical role of law in shaping the future of Africa in the world. As our society expands and evolves at unprecedented rates, so too must the tools and methods employed for just development and governance. The law is undoubtedly an essential tool. The African legal fraternity, therefore, has a pivotal role of crafting and employing the law towards the improvement of this society.

The Strathmore Law Review (SLR) has sought, in this Volume, to offer a platform for a robust discussion of this mandate under the theme '*Law Towards a Better African Society*'. This Seventh Volume presents a well-selected assortment of articles touching on family law, regional governance, investment and trade, criminal justice reform and data and privacy among others.

I am encouraged by the consistency and commitment to excellence showcased by the editorial board of SLR over the last seven years. Their efforts have led to the refinement and presentation of creative and useful works by brilliant young legal scholars. It is my desire that as the Law School celebrates its tenth anniversary this year, the publishing of this Seventh Volume will cement SLR's journey towards becoming the most robust and trailblazing student-led law journal. The SLR will hopefully continue to inspire many other student-led initiatives in the country and the continent on this path towards invigorating scholarly discourse.

As the Strathmore Law Review overcomes hurdles and strives for ever greater outcomes, I remind them to stay steady on the cause and keep the flame alive.

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