



DEAR ALUMNI AND FRIENDS,

We are honored to publish on the cover of this issue of the *Clark Memorandum* a recently discovered portrait of J. Reuben Clark Jr., painted by Arnold Friberg and generously given to the Law School by Gregory and JaLynn Prince. While preparing his biography of President David O. McKay, Gregory Prince interviewed Friberg about his association with President McKay. During the interview the artist mentioned that he had partially completed portraits of President McKay and his two counselors, Stephen L. Richards and J. Reuben Clark Jr., in his garage. At Dr. Prince's request, Friberg, then in his nineties, finished the portraits, and they are among his last completed works.

The Friberg portrait is a beautiful and significant addition to the Law School, which bears the name of J. Reuben Clark. Former university president Dallin H. Oaks told the students and faculty of the Law School on their very first day of classes that they "must in all respects be worthy of the name [the Law School] bears." The portrait will be hung in the new Law School Conference Center on the fourth floor. We hope that as guests come to the conference center for symposia and other events, and as we ourselves meet in the room, the portrait of President Clark will symbolically center us in our great legacy.

Part of that legacy is President Clark's admonition, delivered in a famous general conference address, to remember those in the last wagon. He recounted the struggles and sacrifices of the common pioneer Saints who, without the resources of the leaders, struggled faithfully across the plains in the last wagon of every wagon train. My hope is that this portrait will remind us of our professional duty to be mindful of those without resources or without our training, who are looking for counsel, comfort, and help to lighten their burdens.

The feature articles in this issue of the *Clark Memorandum* remind us of the professional commitment and values President Clark exhibited: Elder Steven E. Snow's "Musings of a Small Town Lawyer" (page 8) recalls how ennobling it is to be the person to whom others come to solve their most vexing problems. Judge Monroe McKay's "A Handful of Pumpkin Seeds" (page 4) reminds us of the lawyer's role as reconciler and healer. And Professor Lynn Wardle's excerpted law review article, "The Boundaries of Belonging" (page 16), emphasizes the lawyer's role to stand up for causes, even when there is intense opposition.

President Clark's championing of the needs of the less fortunate is underscored by the news story announcing the organization of the Timpanogos Legal Center (page 26). His commitment to religious liberty is reflected in the article chronicling the efforts of the International Center for Law and Religion Studies, the faculty, and the students who worked together to write an amicus brief (page 32) in *Hosanna-Tabor Evangelical Lutheran Church and School v. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission*—a case that produced a landmark First Amendment opinion affirming the ministerial exception and the liberty of religious groups to be free of government interference in choosing their own leaders.

I hope you will enjoy this issue of the *Clark Memorandum*.

Warm regards,



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