

SPECIAL ISSUE: A COLLECTION OF ORAL HISTORIES
FROM PROMINENT GAMING INDUSTRY FIGURES

EDITOR'S NOTE

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The *UNLV Gaming Law Journal* is proud to publish Volume 7: Issue 1, which is dedicated to presenting the oral histories of some of the most interesting individuals in the gaming industry. *UNLV Gaming Law Journal* staff conducted recorded interviews with each of these individuals, which were then transcribed and edited to improve clarity and readability. Despite our edits, we took special care to preserve the original message, context, and character of the spoken word.

These oral histories present a true representation of the remembered past in an attempt to show you how the narrator's memory of facts, experiences, and circumstances have shaped their perception of the world around them. The *UNLV Gaming Law Journal* staff has authenticated major dates, events, and factual references where possible and included footnotes to provide context or further information. It is important to note, however, that these are the *personal* histories of each narrator, told as they remember them. As such, the *UNLV Gaming Law Journal* cannot guarantee that each oral history is free from the fallacy of human memory. The unedited transcripts and recordings are in the possession of the *UNLV Gaming Law Journal* and are available for review upon request.

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