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# INTRODUCTION TO THE SYMPOSIUM PROCEEDINGS

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This issue of the SANTA CLARA COMPUTER AND HIGH TECHNOLOGY LAW JOURNAL publishes major portions of the Santa Clara Symposium on Privacy and Intelligent Vehicle-Highway Systems held at Santa Clara University on July 29-30, 1994. Under a grant from the Federal Highway Administration, the Symposium brought together over 45 distinguished experts on privacy, privacy law, and IVHS technologies. These included nationally known professors, lawyers, government officials, and engineers. Their interaction over this two day period produced a tremendously useful and intellectually rewarding experience.

The conference was organized around the four main papers which are published here for the first time. They are: Jeffrey Reiman's *Driving to the Panopticon: A Philosophical Exploration of the Risks to Privacy Posed by the Highway Technology of the Future*; Sheldon Halpern's *The Traffic in Souls: Privacy Interests and the Intelligent Vehicle-Highway Systems*; Robert Weisberg's *IVHS, Legal Privacy, and the Legacy of Dr. Faustus*; and Sheri Alpert's *Privacy and Intelligent Highways: Finding the Right of Way*.

The participants in the symposium were assigned to three discussion groups, each with a facilitator. The groups met after the presentation of each paper to discuss the privacy issues that were raised and to debate relevant privacy-protection strategies. The findings of these discussions are published here in summary form.

In addition, I have written a short piece on the many concepts in the privacy family. Julie Dingle of the Federal Highway Administration has written a piece on her agency's role in the development and implementation of IVHS. Professor Ronald Rotunda has written a comment on highways and privacy in case law and Assistant Professor Philip Agre has contributed an essay on technology and the institutions of ITS.

During the proceedings several addresses were given. Professor Glancy spoke briefly on the many months of research that she and a group of her students did in preparation for the conference. At the

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symposium's first luncheon Santa Clara Law School's new dean, Mack Player, warmly welcomed all of the participants and spoke eloquently to the need for meetings like these. Prior to the lunch, Lawrence Sweeney, Vice President of Etak, Inc. gave an informative presentation on IVHS Digital Mapping Technologies. And at the dinner that evening Julie Dingle addressed the conference on the connection between her agency, privacy, and IVHS.

Of course, the opinions, findings, conclusions and recommendations expressed in these symposium materials are those of the authors and do not necessarily reflect the views of the Federal Highway Administration or of Santa Clara University. The views, opinions and recommendations expressed by symposium participants during the symposium will be entirely their own.