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NOTE FROM THE ISSUE EDITOR

BY RICHARD D. WILLIAMSON, ESQ.

As Nevada goes, so goes the nation? I am not sure if that is quite the rule yet. In fact, we sometimes take great pride in bucking national trends. But, there is no doubt that what happens here does not stay here. Legal developments that sweep across the country unequivocally affect Nevada. In his column, President Richard Pocker rightly pointed out that national trends have the potential to change both the way we practice law and the conditions in which we do so. Therefore, it is only sensible that we should take stock of national legal issues and assess how they may impact our state and our lives. This month in *Nevada Lawyer* we hope to do just that.

In our first feature, Greg Brower and Mark Starr analyze the recent changes with respect to the Wire Act and how changing federal regulation may affect online gaming. Next, Lou Bubala explains what a wilderness designation means and how it can affect the federal lands that we use and enjoy in Nevada.

As the entire country braces for the 2020 election, voting laws are also on the forefront of national and state concerns. Brad Schragger explains some of the recent issues affecting the area of elections law. The extent of the right to keep and bear arms is always a hot national topic. Keith Williams explains 10 things that everyone should know about the federal firearms laws.

In his article, Matt Milone discusses the emerging growth of medical-legal partnerships, which allow lawyers and medical providers to work together to better serve their clients and patients. Finally, as Colton Loretz explains, the Young Lawyers Section is working with the American Bar Association to adopt the national trend toward improving health and wellness among attorneys.

"National Legal Trends" is a fairly broad category, but hopefully this month's issue of *Nevada Lawyer* leaves you better informed and more prepared to assess national developments in the law and how they may affect you, your family, and your practice. **NL**

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