

Introduction to the Fiftieth Anniversary Issues

With the publication of this issue, the *Notre Dame Journal of Formal Logic* (NDJFL) begins its fifty-first year of publication. Throughout this time, the editors of the NDJFL have sought to serve those working in the fields of logic and the foundations of mathematics by publishing high quality research in all their subareas, including work of a more mathematical and work of a more philosophical nature. Whatever success we have had in meeting this goal is due primarily to the support of you—our authors, our referees, and our readers. We therefore take this opportunity to express both our sincere thanks for your past support and our hope for a continued productive partnership with you in the future.

The NDJFL was founded in 1959 by the Department of Philosophy at the University of Notre Dame and began publication in 1960 under its founding editor, Boleslaw Sobociński (1906–1980). Professor Sobociński served as editor until 1979. In 1969 he appointed J. T. Canty as the first managing editor, and in the 1970s he appointed first Ms. Ann Lauer and later Ms. Michele Daugherty as business/office managers. He also assembled an editorial board in 1970 which, with a few changes, continued for the duration of his editorship. Those who served on these boards were the following:

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In 1979, Professor V. Frederick Rickey took over editorship of the *Journal* and remained as editor through 1980. In 1981 the editorship of the *Journal* was restructured and was guided by a group that included editors Ernest Lepore, Penelope Maddy, and Mark Nadel and consulting editors Elliot Mendelson, V. Frederick Rickey, and Paul Young. This group directed the *Journal* from 1981 through 1984 (Volumes 22 through 25). In 1985, the editorial group was expanded to include Kit Fine, Howard