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With the landmark US Supreme Court decision on Zelman v. Simmons-Harris in June 2002, the Cleveland, Ohio, voucher initiative was ruled constitutional. Our focus section explores the ramifications of this decision for Catholic high schools and elementary schools. Many authors, while applauding the decision, voice repeated concerns about how this decision might affect the Catholic identity of schools, especially if voucher funds come with some strings attached. One author chastises the court for what he labels allowing a state to "unconstitutionally neglect public education." As these pages make clear, the debate, study, and litigation of voucher questions have just begun. Our thanks to Dr. Charles Russo, Panzer Professor of Education at the University of Dayton, for his leadership in assembling this important scholarship.

At its October 2002 meeting, the Governing Board of this journal voted unanimously to move the editorial offices from the University of Dayton, where it has prospered since 1997, to a new home. In July 2003, the University of Notre Dame will welcome the journal to South Bend, where it will become a part of the Institute for Educational Initiatives and work cooperatively with the Alliance for Catholic Education. We are already hard at work planning a smooth transition and are confident that we can continue to provide our faithful readers with the timely, high quality, practical, Catholic research journal that you have come to prize. More news on the move will be forthcoming; but for now, our gratitude goes out to our friends and colleagues at the University of Dayton for all that has been, and our hopeful spirit is eagerly anticipating all the good that is to come at Notre Dame.

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