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OUR MISTAKE

On rare occasions we put an article in final form and release it online before we go to press. Our commitment to our audience, our authors, and ourselves is that once we put something out online, we do not change it. Instead, we publish notices of errors. It is, we would like to think, a healthy kind of publication transparency. We gave that special treatment to the first article in this issue. After we posted it on our website, we – and the author, Judge Jon O. Newman – learned from attentive readers that we had erred. As Judge Newman gracefully put it,

I am embarrassed to tell you that there is a mistake in my article On page 16, 1st paragraph, the sentence “That is how all the Courts of Appeals change the case numbers of cases docketed in their courts.” should be deleted. I learned today that most (perhaps all of them) change the first two digits of a docket number at the beginning of a calendar year, not their terms, which usually begin in August or September.

Dear readers, now you know, and we apologize.

FLANNERY’S GENEROSITY

In 2022, Jeff Flannery retired from the Library of Congress after long and distinguished service as Head of the Manuscript Division Reference & Reader Services Section. We recently learned that before his retirement he donated his Supreme Court bobblehead collection to the Library (see catalog record on page 2). Having benefited many times from Flannery’s