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**JULIAN CONRAD JUERGENSMEYER:
EMERITUS JURIST AND EXEMPLARY GENEROSITY**

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I met Julian Conrad Juergensmeyer at the University of Strasbourg, France, during a seminar in the 1970s on the then new Environmental Law. Both Americans, he North American and I, South American. We shared similarities and differences. From the beginning, we were united in our concern for a world of less pollution and more friendly to nature.

I was honored to be invited by Julian to give lectures at the University of Florida and Georgia State University. On the flip side, I was able to bring this notable jurist a few times to Brazil allowing him to lecture in Brasília, Distrito Federal; Porto Alegre, State of Rio Grande do Sul; Fortaleza, State of Ceará, and in some cities in the State of São Paulo, such as Rio Claro, Piracicaba and São Paulo.

Julian always spoke about American law in the environmental and urban areas, with firm knowledge, clarity and depth. He never failed to address more controversial aspects of the law, not even when law was unable to satisfy social and environmental needs.

We often lectured at the same time at the University of Limoges, France, where Professor Michel Prieur created the International Center for Comparative Environmental Law – CIDCE.

It was very gratifying to coexist with Julian, because not only did we have the opportunity to work together in higher education, but we were also able to attend, reciprocally, our families, sharing moments of integration and friendship. In this way, I was able to meet an extraordinary human being, completely understanding, kind and open towards his friends. Julian has this

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characteristic – he cares about the well-being of the people he knows and with whom he coexists.

Human life has its way of unfolding, leading us to the duty of leaving our professional activity, for a fair retirement. At the same time, our days on this Planet Earth are expanding. Therefore, I hope that Julian can continue to enrich this world with his good humor, his always positive outlook and with his undeniable wisdom and kindness.

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