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OTHER TRIBUTES TO FRED BOSSELMAN

*Edward J. Sullivan**

I first met Fred Bosselman in 1973 when I was a young lawyer and spoke at an American Law Institute (ALI) Land Use Seminar on the *Fasano* case.¹ Fred and Dick Babcock worked together in a firm that specialized in utility and land use law cases and both had a national reputation in land use law. Fred was the reporter for the ALI effort to craft a Model Land Development Code² to supersede the Standard Planning and Zoning Enabling Acts of the 1920s,³ and was responsive to the efforts of Professor Dan Mandelker and myself to give importance to the comprehensive plan in land use regulatory matters, though his vision was not shared by the committee preparing the code. Fred was a leading planning lawyer, but also a scholar, mentor, a lawyer with both skill and judgment, and a mensch.

It is fitting that this issue of the *Touro Law Review* be dedicated to Fred Bosselman. Fred embodied all to which a planning lawyer should aspire. His creativity, quiet brilliance and (to say it again) judgment, inspired the many who worked with him and indeed all he touched. We take nothing when we leave this world – we leave

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¹ *Fasano v. Bd. of Cnty. Comm'rs of Washington Cnty.*, 507 P.2d 23 (Or. 1973).

² MODEL LAND DEV. CODE.

³ ADVISORY COMM. ON ZONING, DEP'T OF COMMERCE, A STANDARD STATE ZONING ENABLING ACT (1926), available at <http://landuselaw.wustl.edu/StndZoningEnablingAct1926.pdf> (last visited Mar. 31, 2014).

only what we have done. By his work, his scholarship and his character, Fred Bosselman has left a significant and lasting legacy.

*Nancy E. Stroud**

I was very fortunate to have been taken under the wing of Fred Bosselman as a first year lawyer at the Chicago firm of Ross and Hardies, along with several other bright-eyed local government lawyers. Despite his national (and international) reputation among legal and planning professionals, Fred seemed oblivious to how much we held him in awe. Over the subsequent ten years that I practiced law with him, his brilliant and creative thinking challenged me, and his friendship guided me. It was not surprising when he eventually turned to academia, given his prolific writing and scholarship. What I could not figure was out how he accomplished all he did while traveling all the time for both business and pleasure, especially in the times before cell phones and laptops. Fred's professional contributions go far beyond *The Taking Issue*.¹ He inspired a generation and more to better lawyering, planning, and problem solving.

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¹ FRED P. BOSSELMAN, DAVID L. CALLIES & JOHN BANTA, COUNCIL ON ENVTL. QUALITY, *THE TAKING ISSUE: AN ANALYSIS OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL LIMITS OF LAND USE CONTROL* (1973).