Criminal Law in Politically Organized Society

In roughly a decade social scientists have amassed an impressive amount of research on criminal law. Yet, in spite of the research, a theory of criminal law has not developed. We are not at the moment theoretically equipped to generalize beyond the empirical studies or to formulate theoretically relevant research questions. In this chapter, I will develop a theoretical perspective to assist in these tasks. For this perspective I have elaborated on my general proposition describing how criminal definitions are formulated in the social reality of crime.¹

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Paradoxically, with law and social science gradually converging, we have no greater theoretical understanding of legal matters than we did all of half a century ago. The rapprochement that we are currently witnessing is not novel; a similar trend appeared in the United States shortly after the turn of the century. At that time social scientists, the early American sociologists in particular, were incorporating law into their scheme of things. E. A. Ross

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Albion W. Small.* through legal means available to the state, was also emphasized by organization of human happiness."8 The possibility of social reform, means to the positive increase of the social welfare, in short the engine of control employed by society." Lester F. Ward, an advomoval of whatever privations may still remain, and the adoption of ment, the amelioration of the condition of all the people, the relegislation would undertake to solve "questions of social improve cate of government control and social planning, foresaw a day when as "the most specialized and highly furnished

that is, conduct at variance with the postulates of social order." starting points for the study of law as a social phenomenon. Moreover, in his theory of interests, Pound provided one of the few holding civilized society and to deter him from anti-social conduct, upon each man "in order to constrain him to do his part in upa specialized form of social control that brings pressure to bear that law should be studied as a social institution. Pound saw law as the principal figure. He drew from the early sociologists in asserting of legal philosophy that became a major force in American legal thought -- sociological jurisprudence -- in which Roscoe Pound was The ideas of the early sociologists directly influenced the school

tion and politics, and overlapping group membership have been ex groups in the political process. The techniques and tactics of interest groups, relations between the groups, their internal organiza-Recent writing and research have documented the role of interest

inally published in 1901). ² E. A. Ross, Social Control (New York: Macmillan, 1922), p. 106 (orig

^a Lester F. Ward, Applied Sociology (Boston: Ginn, 1906), p. 339.
⁴ Albion W. Small, General Sociology (Chicago: University of Chicago Press,

of Pound's sociological jurisprudence is discussed in Gilbert Geis, "Sociology and Jurisprudence: Admixture of Lore and Law," Kentucky Law Journal, 52 (Winter, 1964), pp. 267-293, Also see Edwin M. Schur, Law and Society (New York: Random House, 1968), pp. 17-50. f The relationship between early American sociologists and the development

⁶ Roscoe Pound, Social Control Through Law (New Haven: Yale University Press, 1942), p. 18. Earlier statements by Pound are found in Roscoe Pound, An Introduction to the Philosophy of Law (New Haven: Yale University Press, 1922); Roscoe Pound, Outline of Lectures on Jurisprudence (Cambridge: Har University Press, 1928)

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observed, "Sociologists to date have paid virtually no attention to ing law? Moreover, few have attempted to revise Pound's theory of how much influence the interests have in formulating and administergroups operate, but almost no research has been directed at finding purposes, or supplementing it with sociological material of more amined.7 In addition, studies have been conducted on how specific Pound's doctrine, either in terms of rejecting it, refining it for their interests to reflect recent sociological developments. As it has been recent vintage."10

terest Groups on Four Continents (Pittsburgh: University of Pittsburgh Press, 1958); Henry A. Turner, "How Pressure Groups Operate," Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science, 319 (September, 1958), pp. 63-72; Richard W. Gable, "Interest Groups as Policy Shapers," Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science, 319 (September, 1958), pp. 84-93; Murray S. Stedman, "Pressure Groups and the American Tradition," Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science, 319 (September, 1958), 7 Donald C. Blaisdell, American Democracy Under Pressure (New York: Ronald Press, 1957); V. O. Key, Jr., Politics, Parties and Pressure Groups (New York: Thomas Y. Crowell, 1959); Earl Latham, Group Basis of Politics (Ithaca, N.Y.: Cornell University Press, 1952); David B. Truman, The Governmental Process (New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 1951); Henry W. Ehrmann (ed.), In-

York: The Free Press of Glencoe, 1962); Grant McConnell, Private Power and American Democracy (New York: Alfred A. Knopl, 1966); Harry A. Millis and Royal E. Montgomery, Organized Labor (New York: McGraw-Hill, 1945); Warner Schilling, Paul Y. Hammond, and Glenn H. Snyder, Strategy, Politics and Defense (New York: Columbia University Press, 1962); William R. Willoughby, The St. Laurence Waterway: A Study in Politics and Diplomacy (Madison: University of Wisconsin Press, 1961).

9 Other social orientations to the law may be found among sociological jurists, among the so-called legal realists, and among current legal historians. See, in particular, Oliver Wendell Holmes, "The Path of the Law," Harvard Law Garceau, The Political Life of the American Medical Association (Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 1941); Charles M. Hardin, The Politics of Agriculture: Soil Conservation and the Struggle for Power in Rural America (New ture: Soil Conservation and the Struggle for Power in Rural America (New ture: Soil Conservation and the Struggle for Power in Rural America (New ture: Soil Conservation and the Struggle for Power in Rural America (New ture: Soil Conservation and the Struggle for Power in Rural America (New ture: Soil Conservation and the Struggle for Power in Rural America (New ture: Soil Conservation and the Struggle for Power in Rural America (New ture: Soil Conservation and the Struggle for Power in Rural America (New ture: Soil Conservation and the Struggle for Power in Rural America (New ture: Soil Conservation and the Struggle for Power in Rural America (New ture: Soil Conservation and the Struggle for Power in Rural America (New ture: Soil Conservation and the Struggle for Power in Rural America (New ture: Soil Conservation and the Struggle for Power in Rural America (New ture: Soil Conservation and the Struggle for Power in Rural America (New ture: Soil Conservation and ture: Soil Conservation and the Struggle for Power in Rural America (New ture: Soil Conservation and ture) pp. 123-129.

8 Robert Engler, The Politics of Oil (New York: Macmillan, 1961); Oliver

Review, 10 (March, 1897), pp. 457-478; Thurman W. Arnold, Symbols of Government (New Haven: Yale University Press, 1935); Jerome Frank, Courts on Trial (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1949); K. N. Llewellyn and E. Adamson Hoebel, The Cheyenne Way: Conflict and Case Law in Primitive Intrisprudence (Norman: University of Oklahoma Press, 1941); J. Willard Hurst, Law and Economic Growth: The Legal History of the Lumber Industry in Wisconsin, 1836-1915 (Cambridge, Mass.: The Belknap Press, 1964).

10 Geis, "Sociology and Sociological Jurisprudence: Admixture of Lore and Law," p. 292.

In the current movement by social scientists toward research into law and the use by lawyers of social science research, an interest approach might well help us to construct a theory of criminal law that would integrate research findings and provide direction for future research. For sociological purposes, however, Pound's approach necessarily requires reformulation and extension into a sociological theory of criminal law.

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law is a form of "social engineering" in a civilized society. that law reflects the needs of the well-ordered society. In fact, the munity."11 Similarly, Pound, formulating his theory of interests, felt offender, is a barometer of the moral and social thinking of a comofficial sanctions, impairing the life, liberty, or property of the consciousness of a society. What kind of conduct an organized comcontinues to be - as it should - a decisive reflection of the social so that, in a social sense, it is both social product and social force. munity considers, at a given time, sufficiently condemnable to impose has been described in the following way: "The state of criminal law ness of the total society. This consensus model of (criminal) law In Pound's juristic approach, however, law represents the consciouslines. But law also simultaneously reflects society and influences it, veloping according to its own logic and proceeding along its own Law is not merely a complex of rules and procedures; Pound taught it may be useful to think of law as autonomous within society, deus that in calling for the study of "law in action." For some purposes

For the purpose of understanding the law of today, I am content to think of law as a social institution to satisfy social wants — the claims and demands involved in the existence of civilized society — by giving effect to as much as we may with the least sacrifice, so far as such wants may be satisfied or

such claims given effect by an ordering of human conduct through politically organized society. For present purposes I am content to see in legal history the record of a continually wider recognizing and satisfying of human wants or claims or desires through social control; a more embracing and more effective securing of social interests; a continually more complete and effective elimination of waste and precluding of friction in human enjoyment of the goods of existence—in short, a continually more efficacious social engineering.¹²

Thus, the interests Pound had in mind would maintain and, ultimately, improve the social order. His was a teleological as well as consensus theory of interests: men must fulfill some interests for the good of the whole society; these interests are to be achieved through law. In Pound's theory, only the right law can emerge in a civilized society.

Jurisprudence has generally utilized a phuralistic model with respect to law as a social force in society. Accordingly, law regulates social behavior and establishes social organization; it orders human relationships by restraining individual actions and by settling disputes in social relations. In recent juristic language, law functions "first, to establish the general framework, the rules of the game so to speak, within and by which individual and group life shall be carried on, and secondly, to adjust the conflicting claims which different individuals and groups of individuals seek to satisfy in society." To Pound, the law adjusts and reconciles conflicting interests:

Looked at functionally, the law is an attempt to satisfy, to reconcile, to harmonize, to adjust these overlapping and often conflicting claims and demands, either through securing them directly and immediately, or through securing certain individual interests, or through delimitations or compromises of individual interests, so as to give effect to the greatest total

¹¹ Wolfgang Friedmann, Law in a Changing Society (Harmondsworth, England: Penguin Books, 1964), p. 143. A similar statement is found in Jerome Michael and Mortimer J. Adler, Crinia, Law and Social Science (New York: Harcourt, Brace, 1933), pp. 2-3.

¹¹ Pound, An Introduction to the Philosophy of Law, pp. 98-99, ¹⁸ Carl A. Auerbach, "Law and Social Change in the United States," U.C.L.A. Law Review, 6 (July, 1959), pp. 516-532. Similarly, see Julius Stone, The Province and Function of Law (Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 1950). Part III; Julius Stone, Social Dimensions of Law and Instice (Stanford: Stanford University Press, 1966), chaps. 4-8.

of interests or to the interests that weigh most in civilization, with the least sacrifice of the scheme of interests as

interest theory of sociological jurisprudence, there law is an instrument that controls interests according to the requirements of social of the possibilities of effectively securing them through law; it also written, "The law defines the extent to which it will give effect to the limits within which those means may be employed."15 In the devises means for securing those that are recognized and prescribes the interests which it recognizes, in the light of other interests and to the postulates of social order. Moreover, as a legal historian has work within which individual and group life is carried on, according Pound's theory of interests, law provides the general frame-

interests, including the individual, the public, and the social: Pound's theory of interests included a threefold classification of

or desires involved in social life in a civilized society and of as a legal entity. Social interests are claims or demands asserted in the title of that organization. They are commonly treated as the claims of a politically organized society thought desires involved in life in a politically organized society and volved immediately in the individual life and asserted in them as the claims of the whole social group as such. 19 asserted in the title of that life. It is not uncommon to treat title of that life. Public interests are claims or demands or Individual interests are claims or demands or desires

into the category of social interests claims, demands, and desires in their most general form; that is, one's purpose. He argued, however, that it is often expedient to put and that most can be placed in all the categories, depending upon Pound warned that the types are overlapping and interdependent

14 Roscoe Pound, "A Survey of Social Interests," Harvard Law Review, 57

York: Macmillan, 1960), p. 226.

10 Pound, "A Survey of Social Interests," pp. 1-2 (October, 1943), p. 39.

16 George Lee Haskins, Law and Authority in Early Massachusetts (New

ceedings and in legislative proposals, Pound suggested that the most of domestic, religious, economic, and political institutions; morals; assertion. According to Pound, any legal system depends upon the development of human powers and control over nature to satisfy conservation of social resources; general progress, including the human wants; and individual life, especially the freedom of selfthat threaten the social group.17 Others are interest in the security way in which these interests are incorporated into law. important social interest appears to involve security against actions Surveying the claims, demands, and desires found in legal pro-

representing special interests, who have the power to translate their it is seldom the product of the whole society. Law is made by men, Third, law incorporates the interests of specific persons and groups; instrument that functions outside of particular interests. Though ond, law is a result of the operation of interests, rather than an coercion, and change, rather than by consensus and stability... Secconception of society. Society is characterized by diversity, conflict, in a number of ways First, my perspective is based on a special general tradition of the interest theory of sociological jurisprudence interests into public policy. Unlike the pluralistic conception of law may control interests, it is in the first place created by interests. struction of the perspective is based on findings from current social conceptual scheme for analyzing interests in the law. Finally, consubstantive laws. Fifth, the perspective proposed here includes a not be considered as inherent in the interests involved in formulating Fourth, the theoretical perspective of criminal law is devote of in society, but supports some interests at the expense of others. politics, law does not represent a compromise of the diverse interests science research functions for its maintenance and survival, but such functions will teleological connotations. The social order may require certain My theoretical perspective on criminal law departs from the

17 Pound, "A Survey of Social Interests," pp. 1-39. Other aspects of the theory of interests are discussed by Pound in the following publications: The Spirit of the Common Law (Boston: Marshall Jones, 1921), pp. 91-93, 197-203; An Introduction to the Philosophy of Law, pp. 90-96; Interpretations of Legal History (New York: Macmillan, 1923), pp. 158-164; Social Control through Law, pp. 63-80

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corporations, educational systems, and so forth. duct of various groups of persons. Human behavior is thus subject in a society, several systems of control develop to regulate the confamilies, churches, social clubs, political organizations, labor unions, persons are always at the command of others. As order is established Authority relations are present in all social collectivities: some o restraint by varied agencies, institutions, and social groupings 420

and regularized means of sanction. to some rules. Control systems may, in addition, rely upon formal sons, such as ridicule, gossip, and censure, may ensure conformity their rules. Informal means, spontaneously employed by some perthey regulate, and most provide means for assuring compliance to The control systems vary considerably in the forms of conduct

mount agent of social control. Our main reliance is upon force of portant as a system of control as societies increase in complexity pret and enforce the rules.18 Furthermore, law becomes more imsanctions to support the rules, and (3) designated officials to interaw consists of (I) specific rules of conduct, (2) planned use of ound wrote that "in the modern world law has become the parapolitically organized state. "10 The legal system is the most explicit form of social control. The

ganized societies are regarded here as systems of law m the infiabitants. Though other types of organized bodies may possess with the authorized power to govern the lives and activities of all formal rules, only the specialized rule systems of politically orrequired society or the state, which is a territorial organization ody of specialized rules created and interpreted in a politically Law is more than a system of formal social control; it is also a

IR F. James Davis, "Law as a Type of Social Control," in F. James Davis, Hienry H. Foster, Jr., C. Ray Jeffery, and E. Eugene Davis, Society and the Law (New York: The Free Press of Glencoe, 1962), p. 43.

10 Pound, Social Control through Law, p. 20.

Perhaps, even better, such systems of rules could be described simply as "tra-dilion," "normative system," or "custom," The concept of law is expanded to ber of quasilegal ways, such as nonstate law, primitive law, or "lawways." ganized may be adequately referred to, for comparative purposes, in any num-²⁰ The rule systems of societies other than those which are politically or-

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are regulated by those invested with the authority to make specified authorized agents. In politically organized society, human actions court opinions and administrative rulings, but is also a method stract body of rules. Instead of being autonomous within society decisions in the name of the society. involves the making of specialized (legal) decisions by various that is continually being created and interpreted. Thus, law in action process of doing something.21 As a process, law is a dynamic force law is not only that which is written as statutes and recorded as society, operating as a force in society and as a social product. The and developing according to its own logic, law is an integral part of Law, as a special kind of institution, again is more than an ab-

and the values of others are either ignored or negated is created or interpreted, the values of some are necessarily assured habitants, As an act of politics, law and legal decisions do not istered for governing the lives and activities of the state's inof the methods by which public policy is formulated and adminrepresent the interests of all persons in the society. Whenever a law Furthermore, law in operation is an aspect of politics - it is

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socially differentiated positions. Because varied interests are dissociety operates according to the interests that characterize the ently equipped with the ability to command, public policy represents tributed among the positions, and because the positions are differthe state's political life. Government in a politically organized The social differentiation of society, in turn, provides the basis for Modern societies are characterized by an organization of differences

Sociology (New York: The Free Press of Glencoe, 1962), pp. 165-184; Philip Selznick, "Legal Institutions and Social Controls," Vanderbill Law Review, 17 Evan, "Public and Private Legal Systems," in William M. Evan (ed.), Law and (December, 1963), pp. 79-90. Primitive Man (Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 1954); William M. such writers as Bronislaw Malinowski, Crime and Custom in Savage Society (London: Routledge and Kegan Paul, 1926); E. Adamson Hoebel, The Law of include the control systems of other than politically organized society among

(Summer, 1958), pp. 401-441. 21 For this conception of law, as applied to criminal law, see Henry M. Hart, "The Aims of the Criminal Law," Law and Contemporary Problems, 23

specific interests in the society. Politically organized society, therefore, may be viewed as a differentiated interest structure.

Each segment of society has its own values, its own norms, and its own ideological orientations. When these are considered to be important for the existence and welfare of the respective segments, they may be defined as interests. Further, interests can be categorized according to the ways in which activities are generally pursued in society; that is, according to the institutional orders of society. The following may then serve as a definition of interests: the institutional concerns of the segments of society. Thus, interests are grounded in the segments of society and represent the institutional concerns of the segments.

The institutional orders within which interests operate may be classified into fairly broad categories.²⁸ For our use, these may be called: (1) the political; which regulates the distribution of power and authority in society; (2) the economic, which regulates the production and distribution of goods and services; (3) the religious, which regulates the relationship of man to a conception of the supernatural; (4) the kinship, which regulates sexual relations, family patterns, and the procreation and rearing of children; (5) the educational, which regulates the formal training of the society's members; and (6) the public, which regulates the protection and maintenance of the community and its citizens. Each segment of society has its own orientation to these orders. Some, because of their authority position in the interest structure, are able to have their interests represented in public policy.

The segments of society differ in the extent to which their interests are organized. The segments themselves are broad statistical aggregates containing persons of similar age, sex, class, status, occupation, race, ethnicity, religion, or the like. All these have formal interests; those which are advantageous to the segment but which are not consciously held by the incumbents and are not organized

for action. Active interests, on the other hand, are manifest to persons in the segments and are sufficiently organized to serve as the basis for representation in policy decisions.²⁴

Within the segments, groups of persons may become aware of and organize to promote their common interests; these may be called interest groups. Public policy, in turn, is the result of the success gained by these groups.

The interest structure is characterized by the unequal distribution of *power* and *conflict* among the segments of society. It is differentiated by diverse interests and by the ability of the segments to translate their interests into public policy. Furthermore, the segments are in continual conflict over their interests. Interests thus are structured according to differences in power and are in conflict.

Power and conflict are linked in this conception of interest structure. Power, as the ability to shape public policy, produces conflict among the competing segments, and conflict produces differences in the distribution of power. Coherence in the interest structure is thus ensured by the exercise of force and constraint by the conflicting segments. In the conflict-power model, therefore, politically organized society is held together by conflicting elements and functions according to the coercion of some segments by others.

The conflict-power conception of interest structure implies that public policy results from differential distribution of power and conflict among the segments of society. Diverse segments with specialized interests become so highly organized that they are able to influence the policies that affect all persons in the state. Groups that have the power to gain access to the decision-making process are able to translate their interests into public policy. Thus, the interests represented in the formulation and administration of public policy are those treasured by the dominant segments of the society. Hence, public policy is created because segments with power differentials are in conflict with one another. Public policy itself is a manifestation of an interest structure in politically organized society.

²³ The view here that interests are not distributed randomly in society but are related to one's position in society follows Marx's theory of economic production and class conflict. See Ralf Dahrendorf, Class and Class Conflict in Industrial Society (Stanford: Stanford University Press, 1959), especially pp. 3-35.

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The conception of institutional orders closely follows that of Hans Gerth and C. Wright Mills, Character and Social Structure (New York: Harcourt, Brace, 1953), especially pp. 25-26.

²⁴ The distinction between formal interests and active interests is similar to the distinction Dahrendorf makes between latent and manifest interests. See Dahrendorf, Class and Class Conflict in Industrial Society, pp. 173-179.

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ments, supporting one point of view at the expense of others. all segments of society, law secures the interests of particular segcorporate their interests into the creation and interpretation of ministered by those segments of society which are able to inactivities of all members of a society. It is formulated and public policy. Rather than representing the institutional concerns of Law is a form of public policy that regulates the behavior and

trol others to their own advantage. own interests. By formulating law, some segments are able to consociety that have the power to shape public policy. Formulation of and the procedural rules, represents the interests of the segments of law allows some segments of society to protect and perpetuate their Thus, the content of the law, including the substantive regulations

of the administration of criminal justice. of politically organized society is responsible for the general design of legal agents (police, prosecutors, judges, juries, prison authorithe occupational organization of legal agents, the interest structure necessarily influenced by such matters as localized conditions and administration of law is largely a matter of discretion on the part ties, parole officers, and others). Though implementation of law is lations do not provide specific instructions for interpreting law, tain enter into all stages of legal administration. Since legal formu-The interests that the power segments of society attempt to main

aspects of social life require new laws or reinterpretations of old organized society are affected by changing social conditions. Emergthe changing interest structure of society. ing interests and increasing concern with the protection of various laws. Consequently, legal changes take place within the context of Finally, the formulation and administration of law in politically

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government. For centuries the state was the Leviathan, protector, interpretation of law, but they are changing the very nature of Interests not only are the principal forces behind the creation and

> social life. The state unified and controlled most of the activities groups and segments of society have taken over many of the state's of the society. In recent times, however, it is apparent that some repository of power, main source of the community's economic and

another dialectic process in history: the national sovereign to the new massive social groups of the industrial age.25 the social groups of the previous age - surrenders its power State -- having taken over effective legal political power from pretation of the social change of our time, we are witnessing power of the State as a mere shell? If this is a correct inter sures and counter-pressures between these groups left the lega over the substance of sovereignty. Has the balance of pres unions, the trade associations, farmers' organizations, veterans both of a commercial and non-commercial character, the labor "overmighty subjects" of our time -- the giant corporations legions, and some other highly organized groups - have taken The question must be raised in all seriousness whether the

conception disregards the fact that interest groups are grossly un ance the interests of the well organized groups.26 This pluralistic not have the opportunity to have their interest represented in public each others' interests, but groups that have little or no power wil equal in power. Groups that are similar in power may well check casted that checks of "countervailing power" will adequately bal policy. The consequence is government by a few powerful private interest groups. Some analysts of the contemporary scene have optimistically fore

politics a private government operates in a way that not only guarallowing other groups to press for their interests.27 Behind public outside of the arena of the public governmental process. In private antees rewards to well organized groups but affects the lives of us all politics, interest groups receive their individual claims in return for Furthermore, the politics of private interests tends to take place If there be any check in this contemporary condition, it is in the

Friedmann, Law in a Changing Society, pp. 239-240.
 John Kenneth Galbraith, Madern Capitalism (Boston: Houghton Mifflin

American Political Science Review, 61 (March, 1967), pp. 5-24 27 See Theodore Lowi, "The Public Philosophy: Interest-Group Liberalism,"

prospect that the "public interest" will take precedence over private interests. Interest groups, if for no other reason than their concern for public relations, may bow to the commonweal. Optimistically, the public interest may become an ideal fulfilled, no matter what the source of private power.

But the fallacy in any expectation of the achievement of the public good through the "public interest" is that the government which could foster such a condition will become again in a new age an oppressive interest in itself. That age, in fact, seems to be upon us. Increasingly, as Reich has argued, "Americans live on government largess—allocated by government on its own terms, and held by recipients subject to conditions which express 'the public interest.' "28 While the highly organized, scientifically planned society, governed for the social good of its inhabitants, promises the best life that man has ever known, not all of our human values will receive attention, and some may be temporarily or permanently negated.

In raw form we cannot hold optimistically to either government by private interests or public interest by government largess. The future for individual man appears to lie in some form of protection from both forms of government. Decentralized government offers some possibility for the survival of the individual in a collective society. But more immediately, that protection must be sought in procedural law, a law that must necessarily be removed from the control of either the interests of private groups or public government. The challenge for law of the future is that it create an order providing fulfillment for individual values that are now within our reach, values that paradoxically are imminent because of the existence of interests from which we must now seek protection. A new society is indeed coming: Can a law be created apart from private interests which assures individual fulfillment within a good society?

²⁸ Charles A. Reich, "The New Property," Vale Law Journal, 73 (April, 964), p. 733.