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The concluding section of the symposium on Sex and the Law which began over a year ago in the Winter 1963 issue appears on the immediately following pages.

The original plan of the symposium, as set forth in the introductory editorial, envisaged a three part analysis of the subject matter from the separate viewpoints of a psychiatrist, a moralist and a lawyer. Following publication of the first article, however, which was that of the psychiatrist, Dr. Cavanagh, it was felt that the novel observations contained therein might possibly find further reflection in canon law – specifically, with respect to decisions of nullity in marriage cases.

Accordingly, a request was made of the Reverend Frederick McManus, J.C.D., Editor of *The Jurist*, for permission to publish material from *The Jurist* which further reflected these psychiatric conclusions. This request resulted in permission to publish the extremely enlightening article by Reverend Charles Ritty entitled “Invalidity of Marriage by Reason of Sexual Anomalies.” This, coupled with another *Jurist* article “Church Legislation On Obscenity” by Reverend Maurice Amen, is offered as a treatment of the canonical aspects of the subject and is substituted for the originally planned common-law coverage.

Elsewhere in this issue Reverend Anthony LoGatto restates clearly and forcefully the fundamental principles involving freedom of religion and the Church. Readers who are interested in further coverage of this topic are referred to an article by Father William Cahill, a former Editor of *The Catholic Lawyer*, entitled “A Moral Evaluation of the States Guarantee of Religious and Ethical Liberty,” originally published in the *1961 Manual of the Catholic Theological Society*. Permission has been requested to reprint this article in the next issue of *The Catholic Lawyer*.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Edward Tagan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, stylized initial "E" and a long, sweeping underline.

EDITOR