

EDITORIAL

In times of the post-truth, when many people justify their actions based on relative truths, and with respect to the proliferation of fake news, it is clear now that we are going through a crisis of values that vitiates us as humankind. Problems such as terrorism, immigration, and social inequality challenge our society and the role of the government. Problems of the past, believed by us as overcome, are currently emerging again; the boom of racism, autocratic leadership, and religious intolerance show us that they didn't leave actually; they were always present. The only difference is that people suffering such problems feel supported for leaving devils go out.

In relation to the obscurantist attack, we hold the hope of knowledge. We are actually committed to freedom, democracy, debate of ideas, construction of education, and respect for science. For this reason, *Opinión Jurídica* Journal becomes more relevant, since it is our medicine, shield, and protection weapon. We make available for our readers nine articles involving several topics of law. Researchers from Brazil, Chile, Mexico, and Colombia share not only their knowledge and fears but also their conclusions and solutions. Doing research is not an easy task; it is the result of many hours devoted to reading spending long nights without sleeping a wink, and drinking too many cups of coffee; research involves a number of questions and the search for answers in order to link phrases and concepts to obtain a text to be submitted to an academic community; but this is only the beginning of the process; the researcher should always be open for discussion, allowing confrontation of ideas and, when needed, accepting potential mistakes.

For this reason, *Opinion Juridica* (Issue 31) wants to make recognition to all researchers who, with so much effort and dedication, have encouraged us to fight fanaticism and not to surrender before those who abuse power concealed within institutionalism.

Dear researchers: Thank you for showing us that we still can have hopes for the reason and it is possible, at least for now, to think in a better world.

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