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OUR MISTAKES

In our ongoing struggle to arrive at editorial perfection, we sometimes cannot even get “in” and “at” right, as attentive reader Jeffrey Harper recently pointed out, with characteristic tact, after reading our Winter 2018 issue:

Considering the frequency with which I come across usage errors in my own work when I have occasion to revisit it after a period time, I’m loath to highlight other’s errors. However, I can’t help but be struck by the juxtaposition in the winter 2018 edition of the *Green Bag* of Mr. Garner’s 2017 edition of the biggest usage gaffes in law journals with what I believe is an entrant for the 2018 edition a few pages later (page 113): “. . . and use of encryption for data at [read “in”] transit” Given the eagerness with which the *Bag* falls on its sword in such matters, I imagine the error is the *Bag*’s, and not the authors’.

And then there is this equally embarrassing error – brought to our attention by equally attentive and tactful reader Joseph Mazzara – in our Spring 2018 issue:

As usual, I enjoyed reading the latest edition of the *Green Bag*. It was after (and maybe because of) reading Mr. Ben Baring’s note, 21 *Green Bag* 2d 181 (2018), that I noticed on page 183 the word “mostly” is misspelled “mostlly” in one place.

Thank you, Jeff and Joseph. And we encourage you, reader (whether loyal or casual or something else), to pitch in too. We at the *Green Bag* are unwilling to provide grist for your proofreading mill, but we are, it seems, unable to stop.