Several important updates to the functioning of the ACLM for the next year have occurred.

First, I have completed the committee assignments and notified all of the committee chairs to open contact with their members and set the tasks and agendas for the coming year. Of course the agenda’s are subject to change as the year progresses. Please print out the Committee Listing found at www.aclm.org/resources/committees.aspx. After locating your name and committee, please contact the chairperson and be sure that he/she has your valid e-mail, which will be used for all committee business. I am very pleased by the response of the chairs and of those members who requested specific committee assignments. I hope that I was able to accommodate most of you to your satisfaction. Thank you all in advance for your very valuable contributions to the College.

As most of you probably remember, Chris White was able to find approximately 3,000(!) dual-degreed MD/JD’s previously unknown to the College. I completed and sent out recruitment letters to these new colleagues, describing the activities and benefits of the College and asking them to consider joining us. I will keep you informed of the results.

We have finalized our 2005 Mid-Year Meeting on “OB and the Law,” which will take place September 30-October 1 in Chicago. Kudos to Meeting Chair, Francois Blaudeau, MD, JD, FCLM, and his co-chairs (Frank J. Battaglia, MD, JD, FCLM; Lynn E. Frame, MD, JD, FCLM; Steven G. Nelson, MD, JD, FCLM; Ilia S. Rothschild, MA, JD; and David W. Watson, MD) for planning an outstanding meeting and securing financial support. If this goes as planned, it will go a long way to re-instituting the Mid-Year Meeting as a permanent part of our organization. Please save the dates NOW and further details will follow from our home office.

I have been asked, as your president, to present a paper and represent the College at the 27th Annual Health Law Forum at the Brody School of Medicine, at East Carolina University in Greenville, NC, on September 14, 2005. I accepted with thanks and look forward to attending.

I will also wave the flag for the ACLM at a meeting on “Long Term Care and the Law,” scheduled for Friday, October 21, 2005, at the Widener University School of Law, in Wilmington, Del. A cheering section of ACLM Members and Fellows is always welcome.

Have a wonderful summer.

Philip A. Shelton, MD, JD, FCLM
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