Notes from the President: Victoria Green, MD, JD, MBA, MHSA, FCLM

It seems as if each of my presidential notes has begun with a sad message. This one is no different. Unfortunately, I must notify you that Ms. Sue O'Sullivan has accepted another position and thus will no longer be the executive director for ACLM. Sue indicates that the new position will provide her with growth within her career path and we wish her well in her new position. Ms. Wendy Weiser will function as the executive director of ACLM until a new director is selected. I wanted to ensure you that ACLM is stable and functioning and will continue to advance our initiatives.

The program for the annual meeting February 27 - March 2, 2014, in Dallas Texas, is complete and includes a speech by Professor Tom Mayo from Houston, Texas, as our inaugural Stuart Reuter Lecture. Dr. Eli Avila is the highlighted speaker for the Sandy Sanbar Lecture speaking on public health law. The preeminent speaker for the Cyril Wecht Lecture is Dr. Robert Tannenbaum. Additionally, lectures on medical malpractice, pharmacy and device litigation and guns and mental health are important components of the program.

Good news: the banquet is back!!!!! The evening banquet has been revived and thus we will have an additional opportunity for networking, camaraderie, interaction and attaining knowledge. As this is the 50th anniversary of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, Dr. Cyril Wecht will provide unparalleled insight into the forensic pathologic evaluation of this case in which he was intimately involved. This will be an enjoyable event for all.

We are continuing to advance our strategic initiatives. Several committees are analyzing our financial foundation, boosting membership and value for members, enhancing our website with potential online educational opportunities; increasing revenue generation and marketing efforts and enriching our CME/CLE offerings specifically focusing on substance abuse, ethics and pain management. Several opportunities we are pursuing include offering health law programs at state medical society meetings and jointly with other medicolegal organizations. We will continue to
concentrate significant attention on these ideas as we focus on the advancement of the college.

I look forward to greeting each of you at the meeting in Dallas.

Sincerely,
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