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It has been a pleasure and a privilege to have been the Faculty Advisor for the Jefferson Journal of Psychiatry for the past 10 years. We began this resident written and edited journal in 1983 as a small in-house publication designed to encourage our residents to put their thoughts about patient care into written form. Since then we have grown considerably and now serve as the only national resident journal in medicine. Many people over the years have made this effort possible. I would like to pay special thanks to our generous and supportive sponsors and to the editorial boards which consisted of the members of the APA Committee of Residents and Fellows and Jefferson residents. I would like to express my particular appreciation to the Jefferson Chief Editors and their Assistants who devoted themselves to the considerable and time consuming task of publishing such a journal while also being quite busy as senior residents. Special thanks also go to the editorial assistants who have kept on top of the numerous details that go into producing such a journal. We are most indebted though to the many residents from programs throughout the country who over the years have shared with us their clinical experiences through the articles they wrote.

A year and a half ago I decided to leave my position as Residency Director at Jefferson, in which I served for 10 years, in order to pursue my clinical interests in the full time private practice of psychiatry and psychoanalysis. As I enjoyed my prior work I now find great satisfaction in my emersion in the clinical encounter with patients. At the present time I would like to pass the baton of Faculty Advisor to the Journal to my able successor at Jefferson, Dr. Edward Silberman, in whose hands I have great confidence.

I would like to also express my appreciation to the Editors of the Journal for reviewing in this issue’s Book Review Section the books I have edited and coedited over my years as advisor. This is especially the case for the forthcoming Psychodynamic Concepts in General Psychiatry (APPI) which is intended as a textbook for residents and educators that focuses on an in-depth psychodynamic approach to the patients that residents care for.

Many thanks and best of luck.

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