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As John Norris retires to the position of Founder and Faculty Editor-in-Chief Emeritus, he takes with him the appreciation and respect of all who have worked with him on this challenging and exciting venture. At the same time, he leaves behind him a journal of recognized quality and a rapidly expanding circulation that now has more subscribers than any other health law journal in the world. We point with pride to these accomplishments, which have occurred within only eight years, and which could not have occurred without John Norris's leadership and his contributions of time and expertise. Moreover, in large part as a result of his untiring efforts, the *Journal* is now affiliated with and housed at a major American law school. Since January 1, 1981, the *Journal* has been published as a joint venture of Boston University School of Law and the American Society of Law & Medicine.

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