Foreword

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Beginning with this issue, the name and design of Law, Medicine & Health Care (LMHC) have changed. Reflecting the new name of the American Society of Law, Medicine & Ethics, LMHC has become The Journal of Law, Medicine & Ethics (JLME). We have redesigned the Journal and have invited a new editorial board to lead the Journal to new standards of scholarship and rigor at the interface of health law and ethics.

It is appropriate that we launch the first issue of *JLME* with the symposium issue of the Society's Third International Conference on Health Law & Ethics which took place in Toronto, Canada under the chairmanship of Professor Bernard Dickens.

The Journal of Law, Medicine & Ethics will regularly feature scholarly examinations of current issues in health

law and ethics from national and international perspectives and will periodically publish symposium issues on major public policy issues. As the editorial in this issue indicates, *JLME* will closely follow the health care reform debate, making a unique contribution on the legal and ethical issues in a new health care system.

The Society is conducting a major conference on national health care reform as part of our 1993 Annual Meeting. The conference, chaired by Professor Karen Rothenberg and Dr. Steven Miles, will take place October 22-23, 1993 in Arlington, VA. As part of the conference, the Board of Directors has invited Hillary Rodham Clinton to become the third recipient of the Society's prestigious President's Award for national contributions to law and medicine.