

DIVISION 40 ELECTION STATEMENTS

April 2004

PRESIDENT-ELECT (one to be elected)

Russell M. Bauer, Ph.D. is Professor of Clinical Psychology and Neurology at the University of Florida Health Science Center, Gainesville, FL. He received his Ph.D. from Pennsylvania State University in 1979 and completed an Internship in Clinical Psychology at the University of Florida in 1980. He is a Diplomate in Clinical Neuropsychology of the American Board of Professional Psychology. He has chaired the Science Advisory and Publications & Communications Committees of Division 40. He previously served on the Board of Governors of the International Neuropsychological Society and on the Board of Directors of the American Board of Clinical Neuropsychology. He is Co-Editor of *The Clinical Neuropsychologist* and is on the editorial boards of *Assessment* and *Applied Neuropsychology*. He has served on INS and APA/Division 40 Program Committees, and has given invited workshops on neuropsychological assessment and forensic neuropsychology to INS and to the Florida Psychological Association, which awarded him its Outstanding Psychological Research Award in 1992. He currently directs the Doctoral Program in Clinical Psychology at the University of Florida and is active in the professional training of clinical psychologists and neuropsychologists. He has authored over 70 professional papers and has received extramural research support from the National Institute of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, the National Institutes of Communicative Disorders and Stroke, the National Institutes of Health, and the National Institutes of Mental Health. His current research projects examine neurobehavioral aspects of epilepsy and epilepsy surgery, hippocampal contributions to spatial memory, and structure-function relationships in cognitive aging.

This is truly an exciting time to be a neuropsychologist. Due to recent methodological and conceptual developments, we have unprecedented opportunities to expand the contributions made by neuropsychologists to clinical practice and patient care and to demonstrate such contributions through advocacy and program evaluation efforts. We have important opportunities and responsibilities in fighting for high standards in neuropsychological education and training. We have continuing opportunities to expand our research base and to do a better job of making our profession's contributions more visible to the communities around us. Division 40 has always been active in practice, education, and research, and has often led the way in establishing guidelines, definitions, and viewpoints that have played important roles in the development of our field. If elected, I would hope to carry on this tradition and would be honored to serve as the Division's president.

If elected, I will attempt to foster continued development of the Division's activities in practice, research, education, and advocacy. Division 40 has in place an outstanding group of psychologists hard at work in its elected Executive Committee and in its standing and advisory committees. These people are the ones who really do the good work of the Division. I would like to see our leaders and division members develop advocacy skills so that we can be more effective and visible within APA and beyond and so that we can increase public and professional awareness of our field. I think we need to try new things and to get others involved who have not been traditionally active in Division affairs or leadership. We have made some excellent strides in the practice area

and must continue our efforts to seek appropriate recognition and reimbursement for neuropsychological services. In the education arena, we have maintained a list of training programs in neuropsychology and have been active in the development of education and training standards, but we must go further in developing educational materials that bring our profession alive to bright young people considering a career in neuropsychology. I see myself as a consensus builder and believe that there is room in Division 40 for every individual who wants to enhance the contribution and reputation of neuropsychology within the healthcare, scientific, educational, political, and lay communities in which we live.

Ralph H. B. Benedict, Ph.D., ABPP/CN is an Associate Professor of Neurology at the SUNY Buffalo School of Medicine, where he serves as the Director of Neuropsychology in the Division of Developmental and Behavioral Neurosciences. He completed a doctorate in clinical psychology at Arizona State University in 1990, followed by a two-year postdoctoral residency in clinical neuropsychology under Drs. Jason Brandt and David Schretlen at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. During the course of this training, he developed both clinical and research interests in memory disorders, neuropsychological test development and neuropsychological rehabilitation. In 1992, Dr. Benedict joined the faculty of the SUNY Buffalo Department of Neurology, with joint appointments in the Departments of Psychology and Psychiatry. He was promoted to Associate Professor in 1999.

Dr. Benedict has been active in the American Psychological Association and International Neuropsychological Society since 1990. He developed and maintains a postdoctoral residency program at SUNY Buffalo. Expressing his commitment to excellence in postdoctoral training, Dr. Benedict serves on the board of directors of the Association for Post-Doctoral Programs in Clinical Neuropsychology. However, he also teaches undergraduates and supervises graduate practicum students. In tandem with his full-time clinical work, Dr. Benedict has published over 50 peer-reviewed articles in journals that reflect interests in neuropsychology, rehabilitation psychology, neurology, and psychiatry. His research has focused on schizophrenia, cognitive rehabilitation, neuropsychology, neuroimaging, and more recently multiple sclerosis. He also has published numerous book chapters and abstracts, and he has served as a reviewer for 20 psychology and medical journals. He is perhaps best known as an author of two widely used memory tests: the Brief Visuospatial Memory Test – Revised (BVMT-R) and Hopkins Verbal Learning Test – Revised (HVLT-R).

It is an honor to be nominated for President of Division 40, especially alongside such a strong alternative whose contributions to our field are indisputable. Perhaps the most distinctive feature of my candidacy is that I have functioned as a full-time clinician throughout my career as an academic neuropsychologist in a medical school. Because of this, I am intimately aware of the problems that face our field from both practical and academic points of view. While clinical neuropsychology is faced with many difficult issues, I believe that two are primary. First, there are problems related to maximizing reimbursement for clinical services and the use of psychometric technicians. The use of psychometric technicians is being challenged in several states, threatening our ability to provide cost-effective practice and serve a large sample of patients. Second, Houston Conference training guidelines and ABPP board certification still face challenges from within and outside our field. In the future, it will be important that board certification be viewed by the public as a credentials standard for provision of neuropsychological

services. If I am elected, I will devote my energy to working with the Division 40 membership and related neuropsychological organizations to achieve progress in these areas.

MEMBER-AT-LARGE (one to be elected)

David E. Hartman Ph.D. is board-certified neuropsychologist with extensive private practice, academic and forensic experience. As the author of *Neuropsychological Toxicology* (first and second editions, third pending), Dr. Hartman is an internationally known neuropsychologist whose books were the first to provide comprehensive (and comprehensible) clinical reviews of environmental toxicant and abused drug effects on human cognitive, emotional and behavior functioning. His many other publications include examinations of clinical and forensic neuropsychology, work stress and fitness for duty issues. He was among the first to publish in the area of computerized psychological testing and has published on the 100 year history and evolution of neuropsychological methods. Dr. Hartman is an authority on civil and criminal forensic applications of neuropsychology and was a founding and current editorial board member of the *Journal of Forensic Neuropsychology*. He has been an editorial board member of the *Archives of Clinical Neuropsychology* and is a reviewer for a variety of other neuropsychological journals.

Dr. Hartman maintains an active private practice in medical and forensic neuropsychology and clinical psychology. Dr. Hartman is a former Director of Neuropsychology for The Isaac Ray Center for Psychiatry and Law at Rush Presbyterian St. Luke's Medical Center, as well as having been Director of Neuropsychology at Cook County Hospital, one of the largest public hospitals in the country. He was the 1986-87 clinical chair of the Illinois Psychological Association. Dr. Hartman did his psychology residency at Michael Reese Hospital and Medical Center in Chicago, received his Ph.D. from the University of Illinois, his M.A. from Princeton University and is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Vassar College. He is an adjunct Associate Professor at Chicago Medical School.

Thank you for the honor of this nomination. A Member at Large should have experience and empathy for the major forces within neuropsychology; academic, clinical, research and practice, and the desire to focus these multiple energies outward; advancing the professional reputation and clinical identity of Neuropsychology. Your vote would elect someone who firmly believes that we must stop fighting over deck chairs on the Titanic and, instead, speak with a cohesive voice for the future of our profession. A flourishing neuropsychological academia is critical to the generativity of clinical practice and training. A successful and in-demand profession of clinical neuropsychology is the ultimate testbed of academic theory and arguably the most important contribution of psychology to health care in this new millenium.

As Member at Large, I will work to stop energy sapping factional disputes and maintain primary emphasis on the promotion and development of clinical neuropsychology outward - in the arenas of health care, university training and advanced research into brain-behavior relationships. I ask for your vote and your input to keep our focus on building a profession for the new century.

Jennifer J. Manly, Ph.D. is an Assistant Professor of Neuropsychology in the Departments of Neurology, the G.H. Sergievsky Center, and the Taub Institute for Research on Aging and Alzheimer's Disease at Columbia University. Dr. Manly has served as Chair of the Division 40 Program Committee in 2003, Member-at-Large since August 2003, and serves on the steering committee of the Ethnic Minority Affairs Committee. She is the incoming Chair of the Continuing Education Committee of the International Neuropsychological Society. Dr. Manly was awarded Division 40's Early Career Award in 2003 for her work on cultural and educational effects on neuropsychological test performance and diagnosis of cognitive impairment and dementia among the elderly. She is the principal investigator of grants funded by the NIA and the Alzheimer's Association to investigate the role of cultural experience, quality of education, and literacy on cognition among ethnically diverse elders, and is a co-investigator on the Columbia Alzheimer's Disease Research Center and a large epidemiologic study of aging in Northern Manhattan. Dr. Manly is currently on the Editorial Boards of the *Journal of Clinical and Experimental Neuropsychology*, *The Clinical Neuropsychologist*, *Neuropsychology*, and the *Journal of the International Neuropsychological Society*.

I have had the opportunity to serve the membership of Division 40 since 2000, when I became a member of the Program Committee. When I chaired the committee in 2003, a record number of proposals were submitted for a Division 40 convention program that, for the first time, offered CE credits for attendees of our sessions. I am a member of the steering committee of the Ethnic Minority Affairs Steering Committee and am an active participant in the Women in Neuropsychology group. In partnership with a dedicated team of colleagues, my work in these organizations has resulted in the implementation of several successful initiatives promoting the professional careers of ethnic minorities and women in neuropsychology. I am active in research, postdoctoral training, and editorial service, and am sought out as a speaker across the country to help prepare neuropsychologists for competent service to culturally and linguistically diverse people. I am honored to now be nominated to serve as Member-at-Large in order to bring this expertise and commitment to the Executive Committee of Division 40. If I am elected, I will continue to be an accessible, responsive, influential and informed voice, representing the membership on challenges facing neuropsychologists, such as the use of nonlicensed psychometrists, conflict of interest policy for Division 40 officers, increasing research funding opportunities, and improving and refining advocacy on behalf of neuropsychologists within the health care system.

REPRESENTATIVES TO COUNCIL (four to be elected)

Kenneth M. Adams, Ph.D., ABPP is Chief, Psychology Service at the VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System and Professor in the School of Medicine and in the Department of Psychology at the University of Michigan. He has served previously in Division 40 as Member at Large, Secretary, and President. He also served previously on Council and assisted in the legislative initiative that resulted in APA's recognition of Clinical Neuropsychology as a formal specialty. He is a Fellow of the Division and has been actively involved in service to neuropsychological organizations for over 25 years. His is an active clinician, training director, and researcher with interests in medical neuropsychology issues and methods. He was founding co-editor of the *Clinical Neuropsychologist* and has served on a variety of scientific peer review groups including the United States Army's Gulf War Illness panel. He is co-editor of *Neuropsychological*

Assessment of Neuropsychiatric Disorders. He has also served on a number of editorial boards of neuropsychological, assessment, and medical journals. In APA, he has served on the Committee on Accreditation and currently is on the Accreditation Appeals Panel. He initiated the development of a Division Ethics Committee and also helped found a permanent working liaison panel between the Division and the American Speech-Language Hearing Association (ASHA).

The Council of Representatives acts as the Association's principal deliberative and legislative body. It puts Clinical Neuropsychology and its Council Representatives at the crossroads of many issues and agendas not only in practice, but in education and science as well. We are an unusual constituency in that we have legitimate interests and potential partnerships with more purely practice based groups as well as the content and science divisions. To be effective in this setting requires conversance in all the realms that define us as a scientist-practitioner group with strong stakes in those forces affecting practice (e.g., reimbursement, clinical, information management, and a context of quality ethical practices). We are held in good regard in APA as a good Divisional citizen with a broad agenda, positive relationships, and shared interests on which we are consulted and build effective and sound policy. Through access to the vast and varied talents of our Division members and those individuals who volunteer for many tasks, we are able to bring to bear in a timely way informed ideas and methods to address practical and conceptual problems that affect clinical neuropsychology. Our approach to participation in governance has been effective, proactive, and has resulted in Division members being tapped for Association posts ranging from the Board of Directors to first-time Accreditation Site Visitors. If elected, I pledge to continue a collaborative, hard-working, and active networking representative style to advance our collective interests as articulated by your Executive Committee.

Eileen B. Fennell, Ph.D. has been on the faculty of the University of Florida since 1978. She is a professor in the Departments of Clinical and Health Psychology and Neurology. She is a Fellow of Division 40 of APA and of NAN. She has served on a number of Committees of Division 40 including Program Committee, Task Force on Education (Div 40-INS), Elections Committee and Representative to the Interdivisional Health Care Committee. In 1996-1997, she was President of Division 40 and served on the Executive Committee from 1995-1998. She also serves on a number of editorial boards for journals in the area of clinical neuropsychology and served as President of the Association of Doctoral Education Programs in Clinical Neuropsychology.

I would appreciate your support to continue to serve as one of the Division 40 representatives to the APA Council of Representatives. In the past two and one-half years, I have learned much about the politics and procedures in the APA governance structure. Right now, there is a major attitude change moving through the COR best typified as trying to have a louder say and greater ability to enact its role of member representation. This has come about through the activities of a number of caucuses and divisional representatives who feel that there has been a history of failing to recognize and enact the role of the COR in APA, resulting in more apparent power among the Board of Directors than the COR to whom that Board reports. In our own Division, the Executive Committee has recognized the need to learn best how to get our interests recognized in the various committees, boards and on the Council floor. For this reason, there will be a special meeting at APA in Hawaii to help the Executive Committee learn how the Division can become large not just in numbers but also in influence in APA. It is

also clear that consistent representation at various levels in APA seems to foster the kind of name recognition and divisional recognition that can further an agenda. For these reasons, I am asking for your support to continue to serve as a Council Representative. In that role, I would continue to try to voice those concerns that reflect the breadth of our membership: clinicians who are training the coming generations of clinical neuropsychologists in university and hospital settings; individuals in the private practice of clinical neuropsychology; those who work in hospital and rehabilitation settings and those whose primary activities are in research settings. As one of the largest Divisions in APA, our strengths lie not just in numbers but in our commitment to the betterment of our profession and to the voice that we may give to excellence in clinical care and research in neuropsychology. Thank you.

Diane Howieson, Ph.D. is an Associate Professor of Neurology and Psychiatry at the Oregon Health & Science University in Portland, where she conducts research and provides clinical services in the Layton Aging and Alzheimer Center. She also has a private practice. She was Head of the Neuropsychology Section at the Portland VA Medical Center for many years and provided both predoctoral and postdoctoral training. She served as Chair of the Division 40 Awards Committee. She also served on the Board of Directors for the American Board of Clinical Neuropsychology and currently she serves on its Examination Committee. She is a co-author on the 4th edition of Lezak's *Neuropsychological Assessment* and she is a reviewer for *The Clinical Neuropsychologist*.

I would be privileged to represent Division 40 on the APA Council of Representatives. I believe that APA policies have important consequences for our profession and it is vital that our positions be well represented. If elected, I would strive to be an effective advocate for Division 40 on policies that include education and training, clinical care, and reimbursement of health care services. My experience in all of these areas gives me the background to understand the issues and will enable me to effectively advocate for Division 40 and its members.

Sandra P. Koffler, Ph.D. is an Associate Professor in Psychiatry at MCP Hahnemann University, Philadelphia, Pa., and the Director of the Neuropsychology Service at the University Hospitals and St. Christopher's Hospital for Children. In addition to overseeing the daily operations of the clinical services, Dr. Koffler has been active for many years in the education and training of graduate students, interns and post doctoral residents in Clinical Neuropsychology. Many former students hold prestigious positions in Neuropsychology and most have been board certified. Dr. Koffler is a past president of the Philadelphia Neuropsychology Society and the National Academy of Neuropsychology. She has organized and been chair of the Association of Internships in Clinical Neuropsychology. She represented the Association to the Clinical Neuropsychology Synarchy. Currently, Dr. Koffler is a member of the Executive Board of the American Board of Clinical Neuropsychology and represents the specialty to the American Board of Professional Psychology. She is chair of the Educational Advisory Committee of Division 40. Dr. Koffler has recently received the award for Distinguished Service to the Profession from the National Academy of Neuropsychology.

The role of the American Psychological Association (APA) in our professional lives is remarkable, spanning our entry into graduate school through the postdoctoral years and

beyond. The Council of Representatives is responsible for setting the agenda of APA, and for the critical legislative decisions and priorities of the Association. Items that have been brought before Council often have a significant effect on Clinical Neuropsychology as, for example, setting standards for educational and psychological testing; petitioning for federal funding of internships and residencies; and investigating provisional licensure for post doctoral psychologists. There is great potential for a healthy and strong relationship between APA and Clinical Neuropsychology through representation from Division 40. The Association has the potential to serve as an influential advocate and support for our interests. We, in turn, have much to offer the larger community of psychologists through our scientific contributions and our innovations in specialty education and training. I would like to build on this collaboration to the advantage of Division 40 as its representative to Council. I feel confident that my professional experiences as a clinician and an educator and as an officer in both local and national societies will serve to assure the membership broad and strong representation.

Steven Mattis, Ph.D., ABPP is presently Clinical Professor of Neurology, Weil-Cornell Medical Center and in private practice. He has previously served Division 40 as Member at Large and President and is a Fellow of the Division. He has been Director of Neuropsychology in Neurology, Director of Neuropsychology in Psychiatry, and Chief Psychologist at Albert Einstein and Cornell Medical Colleges, and at LIJ-Hillside Hospitals, respectively. He has been actively engaged in professional activities in Neuropsychology for over 30 years, serving on the Board and as President of the International Neuropsychological Society, Division 40 of APA, American Board of Clinical Neuropsychology, and the American Board of Professional Psychology. He is a clinician with ongoing research activities in the neuropsychological components of affective disorders in geriatric and school aged patients; their contribution to the overall clinical presentation and changes with treatment.

Neuropsychology is somewhat unique in representing a specialty that engages in a broad diagnostic and treatment practice that heavily influences, and is influenced by, the “hard” medical sciences. We therefore serve in our daily practice within the scientist-practitioner model sharing common interests and values with the total spectrum of practice to research interests represented by our many Divisions. The Council of Representatives, as the Association’s principal deliberative and legislative body, affords the Division’s representative the opportunity to contribute to the development of practice, education, and scientific endeavors vital to our practice. Our Division is viewed as representing a vibrant professional service in the field as well as an effective political influence within the Association. Our members are high energy, administratively effective individuals whose donation of time and talent to the Association have placed us in contact with nearly all Division and Association leaders. Overall we have effectively participated in the governance of the Association and the administration of its various Committees. If elected, I pledge to continue to advance the interests of our members, as articulated by the Executive Committee.

Jerry J. Sweet, Ph.D. is Professor, Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, Feinberg School of Medicine, Northwestern University. He works fulltime at Evanston Northwestern Healthcare, where he is Vice Chair of the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences and Director of the Neuropsychology Service. Dr. Sweet has been in active clinical practice and involved in clinical training for 25 years. During this time he

has been active in state and national organizations. Currently, he is Chair of APA's Committee on Psychological Testing and Assessment (CPTA) and Vice President, Board of Directors of the American Academy of Clinical Neuropsychology. He is a Fellow of Divisions 40 and 12, as well as the National Academy of Neuropsychology. He serves on numerous editorial boards and is Co-Editor of *The Clinical Neuropsychologist*.

I am honored at having been asked to contribute to Division 40's future as your APA Council Representative, particularly because I do not aspire to political position and have largely made this type of contribution only when the encouragement of others to do so corresponded with my sense that I might have a positive impact. Division 40 has been a very active and vibrant organization, much to the credit of our steady and capable leadership across time. Testament to this solid leadership and to the Division membership, the Council of Representatives will now have four elected representatives to espouse and promote our goals and objectives. Despite the problems that face us I remain optimistic about our future and believe that Division 40 can make a positive contribution to the professional lives of clinical neuropsychologists. As one of the largest Divisions, our interests often overlap with the interests of others, and at times are at odds with members of other Divisions. Skill and an even temperament are required in forging allies and problem solving with our APA peers. Issues related to observation by third parties, disclosure of test data, funding and accreditation of postdoctoral training, and reimbursement for services continue to resonate through APA and professional neuropsychology organizations. Within APA's Committee on Psychological Testing and Assessment, I have learned that some issues viewed consensually by neuropsychologists may be viewed quite differently by psychologists with other specialty backgrounds in APA. Advocating for neuropsychology while working cooperatively with our peers is something I have been able to successfully accomplish on CPTA. I can bring those lessons to the APA Council. Therein lies our challenge; though APA can be a complex and daunting organization, it continues to provide a venue that can bring about the most positive impact on issues of importance to neuropsychologists. I would welcome the opportunity to assist in the implementation of the Division's objectives as an APA Council Representative, and, if elected, will work to improve the standing of training, science, and practice of clinical neuropsychology within APA.

Michael Westerveld, Ph.D. is an Associate Professor in the Department of Neurosurgery at Yale University, with joint appointments in the Child Study Center and Department of Pediatrics. As Director of Clinical Neuropsychological Services for the department of Neurosurgery, he is involved in all aspects of patient care. Dr. Westerveld is also the director of the Neuropsychology post-doctoral fellowship in Neurosurgery and is also actively involved with teaching and training of Psychology students, Medical Students, and Pre-Doctoral interns in Clinical Psychology. He has been an active member of APA, serving on numerous boards and committees within Division 40. Dr. Westerveld was a member of the Division 40 Steering Committee, has served on the program committee, and recently completed a three-year term as the Science Advisory Committee chair. He is currently a member of the ABCN executive committee. Dr. Westerveld is Co-Editor of the journal *Child Neuropsychology*, is a member of the Editorial Board of *The Clinical Neuropsychologist*, and has served as an *ad hoc* reviewer for many journals including *JINS*.

I welcome the opportunity to represent the interests of Division 40 as a member of the APA council of representatives. As one of the largest Divisions in APA, one that continues to attract new members, Division 40 is positioned to have a decisive impact in Council with respect to those issues that are most important to us, and we can influence and support the larger advocacy efforts of APA. Since Council is where the APA agenda is set and the business (and politics!) of APA is done, I believe it is critical that we maintain a strong, positive working relationship with APA and demonstrate our commitment to a strong and vital profession. Our past and current council members have set a precedent for effective communication between Division 40 and APA that I support and will maintain and develop further. Importantly, I am knowledgeable about and can effectively communicate the interests and goals of Division 40, and take action to establish priorities that are favorable to our members, whether they be most involved in teaching, research, or clinical roles.

Barbara C. Wilson. Ph.D. is the Director of the Center for Neuropsychological Services in the Dept. of Neurology at North Shore University Hospital as well as the Executive Director of the North Shore University Hospital Preschool Program for Children with Communication Disorders. She is also Research Associate Professor of Neurology (Neuropsychology) at New York University Medical Center. Dr. Wilson is an ABPP Diplomate in Clinical Neuropsychology and a Fellow of APA Division 40, a charter member of the American Board of Clinical Neuropsychology and founding member of the International Neuropsychological Society (INS). She is a past President of the INS and has served several terms on its Board and on numerous committees within the INS, other psychological and pediatric societies and served on an NIH Study Section. Dr. Wilson has served on the Editorial Board of the *Journal of Applied Neuropsychology*, and as a Consultant Editor for the *Journal of the Neuropsychology*, and the *Journal of Communication Disorders*.

I am honored to have been selected as a candidate for Council Representative. In this era of rapid change in the delivery of health care services at state and national levels, I believe that it has become increasingly important to work within our political system to address those issues which will promote the science and clinical specialty of neuropsychology. I applaud the work of our previous representatives whose efforts have culminated in our status as a specialty within the APA. I look forward to working within the APA to foster our continued growth and development. On a personal note, it would give me great pleasure to be given the opportunity to continue to collaborate with colleagues in this endeavor.