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We are pleased to report that our membership roster continues to expand at an accelerated pace as more and more persons throughout the country become aware of the existence, purposes, aims and programs of the American Society of Law & Medicine, Inc.

Understandably, in view of our outgrowth from two predecessor Massachusetts Societies and location of National Headquarters in Boston, the bulk of ASLM membership still geographically derives from Massachusetts. However, new membership applications received have resulted in sizable memberships in California, New York, Rhode Island, Connecticut, Illinois, New Jersey and Florida and scattering of members from other parts of the country, Puerto Rico and Canada. Thus, in less than one year of existence in its present form, the American Society of Law & Medicine, Inc., is a national organization in fact as well as in name.

#### Programs to be Expanded Throughout U.S.

A recently completed survey undertaken for the Society by its graduate student affiliates of the Boston University School of Public Communication (to be reported in detail in our next issue of **Medicolegal News**) has reaffirmed the desirability at this time of extending the types of programs already explored and successfully accomplished by the Society in the greater Boston area to other large centers of the country. In response, the Executive Committee has approved the following:

(1) Those ASLM programs originally planned for outside the continental United States (the Grecian seminar of August-September, 1974, and the Puerto Rico meeting of March of 1975) have been cancelled to be considered again sometime in the future.

(2) Efforts are to be intensified to expand the scope of the Washington, D.C. conference on "The Legal Implications of Emergency Medical Care" to be held in conjunction with the Society's annual business, oration and award of Honorary Memberships, May 21-23, 1975.

#### Speaker - Instructor Bureau

(3) To help professional organizations and groups who seek speakers in medicolegal topics and to expand its own programs, the American Society of Law & Medicine, Inc. has established a bureau of speakers and instructors. This new ASLM Medicolegal Speaker-Instructor Bureau will provide, from the listings and curriculum vitae submitted to ASLM Headquarters, names of persons with expertise in particular phases of legal medicine who have indicated availability to present talks or educational courses and programs in the field.

To build our roster of speakers and instructors, we ask all interested, qualified persons to submit a resume of their educational background, training and experience, writings, teaching activities and lists of subjects in which they are available to present talks and lectures or in which they wish to organize, develop and present programs of instruction.

In the way of assisting the organization and presentation of seminars, symposia and other courses of instruction, the Society can offer concrete support and help. Our 501 (c) (3), 509 (2)(a) Internal Revenue Service designation permits foundations, corporations and other donors to tax deduct all contributions to ASLM; ASLM, in turn, can direct such contributions in support of a particularly designated ASLM sponsored seminar, symposium or other course of instruction. ASLM can help designate potential registrants who have indicated an interest in medicolegal educational activities, and we can mail program notices as a part of our special third class bulk mailings.

ASLM members interested in this bureau are invited to communicate with ASLM National Headquarters - attention Medicolegal Speaker-Instructor Bureau.

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