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The recent issues of the *Journal of the National Association of Administrative Law Judges* have been a huge success. Membership is growing, many who received complimentary copies joined. This issue is also being sent to a select list of non-member Administrative Law Judges, Administrative Law Professors, and leaders of Bar Associations. We invite our readers to sample this scholarly vehicle of theory and practice to further professionalize administrative law judges in our country and beyond. Once you have experienced our Journal and our new Newsletter, we are confident you will want to join and support this national movement to improve administrative adjudication.

This issue presents the 1994 Fellowship paper by Chief Judge Edwin Felter, Jr., of Colorado, and two other articles focusing on how two other states have reduced cost and delay in conducting administrative hearings. Honorable William Dorsey, a former administrative hearing officer with the Florida Office of Administrative Hearings and now a federal administrative law judge with Social Security Administration, presented his paper at the National Conference of Administrative Law Judges West Coast Symposium on December 5, 1994, in San Francisco. Daniel R. E. Jordan, Missouri Administrative Hearing Commission Legal Counsel, shares his insights on how the Missouri Administrative Hearing Commission has reduced cost and delay in processing cases before it.

Charles Z. Smith shares with us the insights he presented at the Joint Division Luncheon of the Judicial Administration Division of the American Bar Association Annual Meeting in New York regarding Women of Color in the Judiciary System.

The last article, by Patrick L. Clancy, Esquire, was presented at the 21st annual conference of the National Association of Administrative Law Judges in Baltimore. Mr. Clancy's article is another attempt to keep our members current with important substantive areas of administrative law.

We wish to thank these five authors for sharing their excellent materials so that our readers can continue to grow in their thinking on improving administrative adjudication procedures and substantive law.

Share this issue with your colleagues and encourage them to join our growing National Association of Administrative Law Judges. A membership application form is on pages 139 and 140. Please fill out the Readership Survey on pages 137 and 138 and send it to the Editor in Chief. Give us your suggestions on who you have heard, read or worked with who can turn write an article that will challenge, interest, inform, teach, and inspire us to do even better work than we have in the past.

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