Stan Cygan, Secretary of NAALJ and our esteemed volunteer tax counsel, has succeeded in obtaining tax exempt status for the Association under section 501(C)6 of the Internal Revenue Code, pertaining to professional organizations. Stan has applied for a 501(C)3 status, the broader exemption applicable to educational and charitable institutions, for the NAALJ Foundation, as a prerequisite to the solicitation of grant funding.

Judge Allan Mendelsohn, NAALJ State Representative from New York, announces that the New York State Administrative Law Judges Association elected a new slate of officers at its annual meeting on December 12, 1980. Judge Theodore Weinstein was elected President while Judge Hazel C. Strauss was named to a second term as Executive Vice President. Judges Henry Stevenson, Nathan Siegal, Burton Jacobson, James Moriarity, Lewis Zankel, Pevetz A. Miller, Arnold Fink, Jack Benjamin, Harry Shechtman, Rose Farrendina, Kara Moskowitz, Sue Novick Wasko and James Dalton were among the others elected to office in the largest and most active State Chapter of NAALJ. The New York State Association is planning to continue its program of inviting guest speakers to appear at luncheon seminars, and is pursuing a salary reallocation proceeding before the State Civil Service Commission.

The Illinois Association of Administrative Hearing Officers announced in its Winter Newsletter that it has joined an appeal before the Civil Service Commission of that state, seeking pay parity among state hearing examiners. The Newsletter announced the appointment of Barry Isaacson as editor, and featured a spotlight on IAAHO President Stanley Cygan.

President-Elect Paul Wyler has informed the Journal that the California Administrative Law Judges Association will sponsor a forum on Unemployment Insurance for representatives of labor and management at the Asilomar Conference Center in Pacific Grove, California (near Monterey) from June 10 to June 12.* Paul is also working on a brochure describing NAALJ and is organizing a western states membership drive.

The Iowa Association of Administrative Hearing officers announces that James McElimon, a hearing officer for the Iowa Public Employment Relations Board was elected President at the

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