



EUGENE J. FIERMAN, M.D.

Education: M.D., New York University School of Medicine (1970); B.A. Columbia College, Columbia University, (1966)

Training: Psychiatric Residency, Massachusetts Mental Health Center, Boston, MA (1973-1976); Rotating Psychiatric Internship, NIMH/St. Elizabeths Hospital, Washington, D.C. (1970-1971)

Board Certification: American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology, 1977.

Present Position: Retired from the private clinical practice of general psychiatry 1976-2015); Quality Assurance Contractor, Social Security Administration (1986-present)

Academic Appointment: Clinical Instructor in Psychiatry, Harvard Medical School (1986-present).

MPS: President, 2007-2008; Secretary, 2002-2004; Nominating Committee 2016-17, Chair, Legislative Committee, 2008-2016; Co-Chair, Managed Care Committee (now Health Care Systems and Finance, 1999-2007; Award for Advancement of the Profession 2003; Presidential Awards 2011 and 2013.

APA: Distinguished Life Fellow. Member since 1971.

Other Memberships: Massachusetts Medical Society, American Medical Association

Personal Statement: It is an honor to be asked to run for the position on the MPS Nominating Committee. I have been active in the society since 1995, when I joined the Managed Care Committee. Having served in several positions over 20 years, I have become very familiar with the membership, the important issues that we face and the workings of the Society. I have continued to attend the Executive Committee in an advisory capacity currently and previously as Legislative Chair since my presidential year. I have been involved in and observed the nominating process of the Society for many years and chaired the Nominating Committee in 2008-09. The nominating process is essential for identifying interested members who are willing to commit time for our Society. It is particularly important for us to sponsor younger members, starting with Members-in-Training and Early Career Psychiatrists who will guide our Society in the rapidly changing environment that will be their future. As a Nominating Committee member, I will continue to encourage the wide publication of the search for candidates from our committees and from our general membership and will continue to be a strong voice for including younger members. In recent years and in view of increasing demands on our members, it has been difficult to fill all ballot positions with competitive elections and participation in the elections, perhaps because of this, has been low. I will support having an open dialogue with the Membership concerning our election process in order to insure that we have robust interest in the affairs of the Society and that we develop strong candidates for our future leadership. It is a great honor to be of service to our members.