

Dear MAG HOD DELEGATES,

I humbly ask for your vote when we conduct elections next month at our Association meeting. I have faithfully served this House first as an AMA alternate delegate and now in the position of Delegate, and would consider it an honor to continue this duty for the next two years.

The last two years have been rewarding-but challenging- for us all, as the business for 2020 for MAG and AMA were conducted virtually. We are anticipating an in person meeting next month, however the AMA has already announced the November meeting will again occur via Zoom and Lumi platforms. Your Georgia AMA delegates and alternates have done much work to see that the business we were allowed to conduct reflected the will of this house and I pledge to take additional resolutions from October to the upcoming sessions of the AMA if re-elected.

At the AMA, for the last two years I have served as an interviewer for the Southeastern delegation. I served on a reference committee, and as both a teller and chief teller during recent in person meetings. I have been involved with the growing Private Practice Physicians group and have seen great success in its members being chosen as Presidents, Board of Trustee members, and various council members. I have attended additional small group sessions where the AMA President-elect, Dr. Jack Resnick, a fellow Dermatologist, has sought input from those in varied practice settings. I look forward to continuing this dialogue in November and when he takes the helm of President next June. The Georgia delegation, though small in number compared with other states, has been very effective in garnering support from those in positions of influence and I hope to keep that team work moving forward for you in 2022 and 2023.

I hope we can address the much needed support our GA legislature and the US Congress could and should provide for those in the trenches during this pandemic. I support legislation that will ease the burdens of MIPS and prior approval. We must insist that they halt payment cuts when we are struggling to keep our offices open and staffed. We also must receive additional resources for the often-extensive time given to educate those with questions concerning the status, statistics, and benefits seen when vaccinations are given against COVID 19. Our patients look to us for facts and listen when we provide updates as to the research and results seen here in the US and around the world.

Thank you for allowing me to serve you and If given the opportunity I will continue to take the issues of importance to our profession and our state to our national organization. Please call me at 478-960-4134 if you have any questions or email me at [bljackson4400@gmail.com](mailto:bljackson4400@gmail.com)

Sincerely,

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