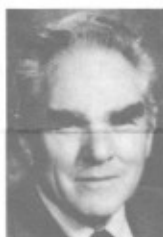


THE PRESIDENT MESSAGE

It is with concern that I report to you a most disturbing event that will have a considerable impact on the AIC. On June 14 I was notified by The AIC attorney that David A.H. Roethel, former Executive Director, has filed a \$300,000 suit against The Institute. Of course anyone, by paying a filing fee and by finding a willing lawyer can gain access to the courts, regardless of the actual merits of his claim. The basis for the suit, (now a matter of public record) is found in following causes of action taken directly from the Complaint.



#8 On October 13, 1990, AIC notified Plaintiff that it would not renew his contract after December 31, 1990. This was affirmed in a letter from E.G. Meyer, President of AIC dated February 20, 1992, stating that the contract had expired on December 31, 1990 and was not renewed. No reasons were given for the non-renewal.

#9 Plaintiff was receiving a gross annual compensation under the contract of \$76,415.00 including base salary, car allowance, pension, health insurance, accidental death and dismemberment insurance, and parking.

#10 AIC's non-renewal of Plaintiff's contract constituted a breach of contract in that AIC's action was in violation of the contract's mandatory successor provision and the contract's termination provisions. As a result of AIC's breach, Plaintiff has been deprived of compensation to which he is entitled and has been damaged thereby.

Now, for the information of the AIC membership: (1) Legal counsel was retained; (2) The non-renewal of Mr. Roethel's contract occurred in conjunction with a contract anniversary date; (3) All actions were taken in strict compliance with the contract provisions; (4) Payments to Mr. Roethel were made for all items due including unused vacation, remaining benefits, etc. After thorough consultation we are convinced that there is no merit in Mr. Roethel's claim which is based on the notion that an employer has an unending obligation to renew an employment contract. The AIC will aggressively defend this case but it will be expensive. What impact this may have on The Institute's long-term viability I cannot say.

E. Gerald Meyer, PhD, FAIC
AIC President

NCC SPRING REVIEW SESSION

The National Certification Commission in Chemistry and Chemical Engineering met at the AIC National Office in May to review 126 applications for the 1993 Spring Review Session. Of those applications, 50 were approved for certification (CPC and/or CChE), 4 for annual enrollment (AE), 1 recent graduate (CIT). 52 current certifees were approved for continuing participation on the basis of their 1992 activities. There were 11 new applications submitted of those 5 were approved. All others were either special cases and handled individually or disapproved. As specified in AIC's Bylaws "An applicant meeting the standards shall be recognized as a Certified Professional Chemist (CPC) or a Certified Chemical Engineer (CChE). The names of those approved are listed with their designation immediately following this article.

During the May business meeting of the Commissioners the following was discussed.

The Commissioners are now ready to receive applications for the Summer Review Session. Deadline for the applications to be received at the National Office is **August 15, 1993**. Those AIC Members and others who may have missed the March 15 deadline may call or write to the AIC National Office to obtain an application and brochure. Participation in the NCC credentialing program is voluntary. It is open to all practitioners of chemistry and chemical engineering, i.e., those who have a minimum of a bachelor's degree with a major in one or the other of those two disciplines or in a closely related field from an institution of higher learning acceptable to the Commission. Where a degree is earned other than in chemistry engineering, the applicant must provide evidence to show engagement in chemical practice.

The Commission has designated its credentialing program to recognize chemists and chemical engineers at all stages of their education/careers. All participants are listed in the Register a Special Section of AIC's *Professional Directory* and receive a complimentary copy of the publication each year. All approved certifees receive a calligraphied certificate and is given the opportunity to purchase a notarial seal and stamp. Also, all approved certifees are listed in the official publication of The AIC annually.

Certification is valid for three years beginning July 1. Those current participants who are now required to file an annual application, as well as others, including recent graduates, who can qualify as a Certifee-In-Training, CPC, CChE, and can submit appropriate documentation of activities should apply. Those seeking full certification must obtain at least 300 certification

units of qualifying activity during 1990, 1991, 1992. Those submitting documentation as an annual enrollee must have been active in 1992 and must obtain at least 100 CUs. These participants can then be certified in the next 1-2 years or once they reach 300 CUs.

Listed below are those NCC participants who accumulated 600 CUs and those who accumulated at least 300 CUs for their achievements during 1990, 1991, and/or 1992. These participants were then granted full certification by the Commissioners during the 1993 Spring Review Session.

Alvin, Mary Anne	CPC
Barber, Timothy	CPC
Barrett, Ernest	CPC
Beam, Charles	CPC
Berger, Paul	CPC
Blin, Michael	CPC
Butts, David Salm	CChE
Castro, David G.	CPC
Chang, Juan-Yuan David	CPC
Clapham, Andrew*	CPC
Cobb, Ronald E.	CPC
Cooke, Steven J.	Dual
Deuble, John, Jr.	CPC
Edinger, Stanley*	CPC
Fike, Sunny	CPC
Garland, Patricia A.	CPC
Hartford, Winslow	CPC
Hejzlar, Zdenek	CChE
Hinze, Willie	CPC
Hutchins, Clyde S.	CPC
Jaeger, David	CChE
Kambic, Helen*	CPC
Kondracki, Maryanne	CPC
Krawetz, Arthur*	CPC
Kumar, Jothi	CPC
Lauterbach, John H.	CPC
Lee, Norman	CPC
Litchfield, John	CPC
Lopez-Avila, Victoria*	CPC
Lowry, Robert K.	CPC
MacAllister, George	CChE
Maddin, Charles	CPC
Miller, Patsy H.	CPC
Mills, Paul Edward	CPC
Myers, Ronald E.	CPC
Ortel, Steven Mark	CPC
Pabley, Avtar S.*	CPC
Pangrazi, Ronald	CPC
Patton, Elsa Rebecca	CPC
Perfetti, Thomas	CPC
Pratt, Herbert	CChE
Riley, David	CChE
Scott, Diane	COC
Small, Robert J.	CPC
Somkaite, Rozalija	CPC
Trimble, Russell	CPC
Turk, John	CPC
Vagaggini, Joseph	CPC
Varma, Asha*	CPC
Weisfeld, Lewis*	CPC

**Accumulated 600+ CUs.

AIC AWARDS: REQUESTS FOR NOMINATIONS

Members of the American Institute of Chemists and others are encouraged to submit names of candidates for 1994 awards. The awards are: the Gold Medal Award, the Chemical Pioneers Awards, and the Ethics Award all of which will be presented during the next National Meeting to be held in Indianapolis, IN, March 2-6, 1994. Each award recipient will be asked to submit a paper for publication in THE CHEMIST immediately following the National Meeting. All nominations should be submitted to the AIC National Office or to the chairman of the appropriate Committee Chair by the deadline indicated in this article.

Each nomination will be forwarded promptly to the appropriate committee for the selection process. All nominations will require a complete review by the committee who will make final recommendations to the President and Board of Directors. The Chairman will notify the candidates and all other nominees of their final decision. Members and others who are interested in nominating a candidate should submit an introductory letter and resume as outlined below.

GOLD MEDAL: The Gold Medal, established in 1926, is AIC's highest honor. It is given annually to a person who has stimulated activities of service to the chemical sciences or the profession of chemical scientists in the U.S.A. Gold Medalists receive a gold medal, a plaque, and a Life Fellowship in The Institute. The 1993 Gold Medal Award recipient was Dr. Fred Basolo, a former president of the ACS. Recipients are selected by the Gold Medal Award Committee, chaired by Dr. Harry B. Gray, Department of Chemistry & Chemical Engineering, California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, CA 91125. Others on the committee include the President, the President-Elect, the three most recent Medalists able to serve, and two additional members named by the President. Nominations are due by **October 1, 1993.**

CHEMICAL PIONEERS AWARDS: The Chemical Pioneers Award was created in 1966, to recognize chemical scientists who have made outstanding contributions which have made a major impact on advances in chemical science or industry. Each year AIC's Chemical Pioneers Award Committee selects four recipients. The Committee consists of seven former chemical pioneers, chaired by Dr. Frederick J. Karol. Each recipient of this award will receive a one-year free membership as a Fellow of The Institute and a plaque describing his/her contributions. The following Chemical Pioneers, two of who were Nobel Laureates, were honored with this award in 1993: Dr. Bruce F. Merrifield, Dr. Jule A. Rabo, Dr. George A. Olah, and Dr. Derek H.R. Barton. The four award recipients will each present a paper describing his/her contributions during the Chemical Pioneers Award Program at the 1994 National Meeting. Nominations should be sent to Dr. Frederick J. Karol, Union Carbide Corp., Unipol System Department, P. O. Box 670, Bound Brook, NJ 08805 by **September 1, 1993.** A full description of the achievements of the nominee is required.

ETHICS AWARD: The Ethics Award is sponsored by Mr. Joseph Hyman, FAIC, New Jersey Institute of Chemists. The recipient will present an address accepting the award, upon which he/she will receive a plaque and a \$500 travel allowance to attend the National Meeting.

The first Ethics Award was presented in 1991 to Dr. James J. Zwolenik of the National Science Foundation, and the second honoree was Dr. Margot O'Toole in 1993.

The Ethics Award is presented to an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to ethics in the chemical profession by one who has: (1) performance of duties dictated by ethical considerations in the face of difficulties for the benefit of the public and/or workers in chemistry and chemical engineering; (2) leadership in an organization's ethical relationships with the public and/or employees in the chemical field; (3) teaching, research, and/or authored in professional ethics; or (4) effected advocacy of organizational and/or governmental policies relating to chemistry that encourage ethical treatment of individuals.

Nominations should be sent to Mr. David Keen, Signature Products Company, 7409 Cadillac Drive, SE, Huntsville, AL 35802 by **October 15, 1993**. Nominations should include details of the nominee's background and contributions.

All nominations should be addressed to the attention of the appropriate committee chairperson: Gold Medal Award Committee, Chemical Pioneers Award Committee and/or Ethics Award Committee.

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NCIC Student Awards Banquet

The North Carolina Institute of Chemists, a division of the AIC, held its annual awards banquet on April 24, 1993, where 23 outstanding seniors majoring in chemistry, chemical engineering and biochemistry from the North Carolina area received an AICF/NCIC Certificate of Award. All recipients will be listed with their college/university in a future issue of THE CHEMIST.

The NCIC banquet also included the presentation of the 1993 North Carolina Distinguished Chemist Award. This prestigious award was presented to Dr. Thomas J. Meyer, Kenen Professor of Chemistry at The University of Chapel Hill. Professor Meyer received this award in recognition of his contributions in research, scholarship, teaching, and administration and his research in photochemistry and electrochemistry of inorganic complexes.

Professor Meyer was rated sixth among the 50 chemists in the world whose research literature is most cited by other chemical researchers. He has received recent honors from the American Chemical Society and the Royal Society of Chemistry, and has also been honored by universities in Australia and New Zealand. In 1992 he was visiting professor at the Università Di Ferrara, Italy. The NCIC has selected a distinguished chemist annually since 1979. The 1993 NCIC student awards banquet was co-sponsored by the Total Computer Center, Chapel Hill, and Merck & Co., Inc., Rahway, NJ.

1993 AIC Professional Directory

The AIC is about to prepare data for publication of its *1993 Professional Directory*. We encourage all members to take a look at your individual listing, specifically your address, phone: business and/or home. Submit all corrections and additions in writing to The AIC National Office or FAX (301) 657-3549.

NEWS NEWS NEWS NEWS NEWS NEWS NEWS

Mary L. Good was nominated top technology post by the Clinton Administration at the Commerce Department. She will run the department's Technology Administration and report directly to Dr. Ronald H. Brown, Commerce Secretary. Good will also head the National Institute of Standards and Technology and the National Technology Information Service. Good was elected to AIC Life Fellowship in 1967.

Obituaries

Laura Lee Smith, Professor Emeritus, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, died February, 1993 of a heart attack. Professor Smith was the only female to receive a BS degree in Chemistry from Miami University of Ohio in 1925. She continued her education by earning an MS in Chemistry from Iowa State University in 1927 and the first PhD in Nutrition from the University of California at Berkeley in 1930. Prof. Smith taught in the Home Economics Department, Cornell University, 1937-1942 and in the School of Hotel Administration as Professor of Food Chemistry 1956-1972. Prof. Smith was an editor of the book, "Food Service Science." Her research interests included the use of modified starch in packaged food products such as instant puddings, the evaluation of frozen sauces, and methods of detecting breakdown of cooking oils used in deep fat frying. She was a member of the ACS, the Institute of Food Technologists, and was elected Fellow of the AIC in 1969.

G. Ronald Husk, died Jan. 16 in Wilson, NC. Husk recently retired from the federal civil service. He received a BS degree in chemistry from Waynesburg College in 1959, and MS and PhD degrees from the University of Michigan in 1962 and 1964, respectively. He spent two years as a postdoctoral research associate at the University of Wisconsin and then five years as assistant professor of chemistry at Villanova University. In 1971, he joined the staff of the Army Research Office in Research Triangle Park, NC. From 1973 to 1977, Husk was chief of the chemistry branch at the Army's European Research Office in London. Awarded a Secretary of the Army Fellowship for 1984-85, he spent the year as adjunct professor at Texas Southwest State University and as visiting scientist at the University of Texas, Austin. He was the author of many papers in organometallic and polymer chemistry. Prior to his retirement, Husk managed programs in polymer and synthetic chemistry and was adjunct associate professor at North Carolina State University. Husk was elected Fellow of The AIC, elected in 1971.



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