

EDITORIAL

This edition is given over, as seems to have become customary, to the affairs of the Annual Conference and Annual General Meeting last September. Included is a text kindly prepared after the Conference by the Insurance Ombudsman, reflecting the content of his stimulating address given there (without a prepared text). This riveting tour of the position of intermediaries before the law and the Ombudsman was followed in the afternoon by a session of updates chaired by Bill Beckett CB, (Solicitor to the Corporation of Lloyd's). Papers reflecting the content of those updates (Directors and Officers Liability; the Environmental Protection Bill; Professional Indemnity; and Product Liability) are in this edition. I hope you will enjoy reading them all.

The Association has recently received details of the AILA travelling Fellowship for 1991. The award is to the value of A\$7,500. Applications, which must be received by AILA by 16th August 1991, are to be in the form of a paper on any aspect of insurance and insurance law which will benefit from further study. Further information can be obtained in the first instance from BILA Secretariat, or from AILA Secretariat, GPO Box 1270, Sydney NSW 2001, Australia.

It is with considerable regret that I have to announce that Maurice England, who has served the Association first as Hon Treasurer and, later stepping into the breach, as Hon Secretary as well, has had to resign both posts. It is fortunate that a volunteer to take over both jobs was swiftly made known to the Committee: she is Ms Sue Moore, an English lawyer with the US law firm of Morrison Mahoney and Miller: tel no. 071. 488 2984.

May I remind all members through this column that the time for renewal of BILA Subscriptions draws near. Not only is it of great help for the Association's administration and finances if renewal subscriptions are settled promptly, but there will be a special price offered for members wishing to attend this year's London Colloquium and who have paid their renewal subscriptions before 31st March.