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Life Membership Award to Dr. Richard K. Fleischman

Dr. Richard K. Fleischman has been awarded a Life Membership in the Academy of Accounting Historians. Many of us have had the opportunity to work with Dick in his role of co-author, reviewer, editor and mentor. He has an enviable record of publications in journals, research monographs and books, not to mention his attendance and contribution at conferences around the globe.

I have been fortunate to have known Dick since my early days as an assistant professor and know first hand how Dick's support and encouragement enabled me in my own research career. Many others amongst us can attest to his commitment to our discipline, his enthusiasm and his willingness to go the extra mile. The nominations received to support Dick's award outlined in glowing terms his contributions, qualifications and experience. They also noted how many of us have gained from counting Dick as a colleague and a friend. We owe him a great deal for his efforts to enhance the profile of accounting history in the U.S. as well as internationally.

Richard retired in 2008 from John Carroll University but remains as busy as ever. He continues to serve as co-editor of the Accounting Historians Journal and remains actively

involved in a number of Academy committees and with his research program. Again, when called upon this year to assist me in my presidential role, he was quick to respond 'yes'.

On behalf of all our membership, I extend warmest wishes to Dick and congratulate him on his being awarded this great distinction!

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