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My professional goal has always been to further expand the reach of Bronchoscopy to more doctors and communities while improving the quality of the training for new and old physicians. I am honored to be nominated for a position on the Board of Directors to help continue the AABIP's transformation into an Association that meets the needs of all physicians performing bronchoscopy procedures.

I was fortunate enough to arrive at the University of Chicago when it had almost no presence in the field of bronchoscopy. If timing is everything, then I'm the luckiest man alive. Through the support of my institution, we've been able to grow our program through key partnerships with industry, our colleagues in thoracic surgery, and many of you reading this right now. The success of our field depends on the growth of new and better technologies that continue to revolutionize how we practice medicine and specifically how we practice advanced bronchoscopy. It also depends on disseminating that technology and the skills to operationalize it to beyond just a few select centers: no one innovates for only 30 centers.

Through my career I have taught many courses here and abroad for universities, societies, associations, local CME courses, and for industry. The common theme for these educational endeavors has been the eager excitement of the participants to gain the skills that we are all fortunate to possess. Bronchoscopy is better the more it is democratized and brought forth so that all patients have the benefit of skilled operators using state of the art techniques.

Positions of leadership should require a significant commitment from those that are elected. I know the Board requires a large amount of effort and work: as it should. Bronchoscopy is a rapidly growing field and needs development and guidance. The AABIP has played a strong role in leading us forward and I hope to be a part of that guidance by bringing my experience and expertise to help further develop and expand our field and profession.