

Mentor in Chief

I have had the privilege of serving as the Vice–Editor in Chief of *The Journal of Clinical Psychiatry* for 5 years. Before that, I served as a deputy editor for 4 years. I started to review for *JCP* 12 years ago. My service to the *Journal* started when I was a junior faculty member at the University of Arizona College of Medicine in the Department of Psychiatry under Dr Alan J. Gelenberg’s leadership. I have moved across states and institutions, from the University of Arizona, to the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, to Massachusetts General Hospital and Harvard Medical School. Although my role has expanded, my home at *JCP* has remained a constant,

During early critical years in my academic career, I was fortunate to work with Alan as my primary mentor and department head. Alan is fond of stepping back to look at the “30,000-foot view” of situations, and he has used that metaphor to help me in planning and navigating my career. Alan has helped me in countless ways. Importantly, he has invited and allowed me to serve the field through *JCP*, and he has introduced me to organizations in the field in which I have had the opportunity to play an active role. The opportunities he has given me have allowed me to interact and collaborate with colleagues, and have resulted in more opportunities and open doors than I would have imagined possible.

In all of his roles, Alan remains keenly aware of the devastating toll of psychiatric disorders. Above all, he is dedicated to the “30,000-foot view” of his role as Editor in Chief. He never forgets that *JCP* has a clinical audience and that the ultimate beneficiaries of the *Journal* are patients.

Marlene P. Freeman, MD
Vice–Editor in Chief



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to Alan J. Gelenberg, MD!

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