Ombudspersons: E. P. Lessa, J. E. Light.

Charge: The members of the Office of Ombudspersons are appointed at the discretion of the President to hear and respond appropriately to complaints of unprofessional behavior by any member of the ASM at its annual meeting or in the governance of the ASM through its committee structure. All issues brought before either (or both) of the appointed individuals are resolved as discreetly as possible. The Ombudspersons are entrusted to deal with each situation as they best see fit.

Information Items:

- (1) In the past year, the Ombudspersons worked with Past President Eileen Lacey and members of the Human Diversity Committee to create a specific Course of Action for Alleged Misconduct and revise the ASM Statement of Inclusion, both of which are currently online and available through the ASM website.
- (2) No members of the Society consulted the Ombudspersons for advice; no acts of unprofessional behavior were reported.

Action Items: None.

Respectfully submitted,

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