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Albert M. Stone 1961–1963



Samuel N. Foner 1963–1979



Walter G. Berl 1979–1986



John R. Apel 1987–1989



Samuel Koslov 1990–1993



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n 1961, Dr. Ralph E. Gibson, then Director of the Laboratory, established the APL Technical Digest as a "synthesizing agent to preserve the overall pattern" of APL's diverse activities. APL Technical Digest articles were intended to disseminate the scientific and technical work of the Laboratory, to be authoritative and scholarly, to invite critical examination by peers, and to excite the interest of nonspecialists. Dr. Albert M. Stone served two years as the founding Editorial Board Chair of the APL Technical Digest, yielding to Dr. Samuel N. Foner, who served for the next sixteen years. Dr. Walter G. Berl, who became Editorial Board Chair in 1979, transformed and expanded the APL Technical Digest in 1980 into the renamed Johns Hopkins APL Technical Digest. After seven years, Dr. John R. Apel began a three-year term as Editorial Board Chair and Editor-in-Chief, followed by Dr. Samuel Koslov (three years), and Dr. Kishin Moorjani (ten years). Cumulatively, during 41 years of publication, the APL Technical Digest and the Johns Hopkins APL Technical Digest have contained 1,488 articles plus a chronicle of colloquia and staff publications, presentations, and patents, comprising 12,315 published pages. This enterprise owes its success to the authors, reviewers, and members of the Editorial Board, editorial staff, and publication staff, whose collective efforts over the years have won the journal acclaim for content and awards for editing, illustrations, and design.

On becoming Editorial Board Chair and Editor-in-Chief, I recognize the excellence, leadership, and dedication of my predecessors and derive inspiration for the task from my personal relationships with each of them. The *Johns Hopkins APL Technical Digest* will continue to present complicated technical material clearly,

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