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Dear Fellow Members,

May I take this opportunity to firstly share how humbled and honoured I am to be elected President for my term 2017-2018 of this fantastic association.

Our recent annual conference in New Delhi was certainly one of the best conferences we have had in W.A.D for a long time. The hospitality and attention to detail was absolutely incredible. Our local hosts really did put on a show for us. The tours, speakers, entertainment and especially the Gala dinner where all guests were dressed like Indian Royals was especially spectacular. I will remember my inauguration forever. A personal special thank you to all our local hosts for making this conference a hugely successful event.

Our membership numbers remain strong with the current count at approximately 950. I'd really like us to break through the 1000 number milestone this year. My team of dedicated officers and committee members will be working on this and I will personally be reaching out to the membership with some fresh ideas during this next year.

I am in a privileged position to have a strong Chairman and also experienced, dedicated and supporting Vice Presidents all of whom are working on unique projects to further enhance the benefits of our association for our members and also continue W.A.D's successful global reach.

- First VP Laura Giuliani is finalising the Association Relationship Committee which should develop long term professional relationships with local associations around the world.
- Second VP Dan Rusu continues to explore the potential between the W.A.D. and the I.P.A. If this relationship comes to fruition, this would be invaluable benefit for all the membership.
- Third VP Nigel Brown is working on obtaining a couple of high-end speakers for our up and coming Annual Conference in Las Vegas. One speaker has the relationship potential to provide assignments to many members around the world.

These are certainly exciting times for W.A.D and I'm committed to working as productive as I possibly can during my year in office. I look forward to seeing old members and meeting many new members at our midterm meeting in Barcelona in April 2018.

I will do my utmost to serve this association to the best of my ability. I continue to remain approachable and available for you all.

Thank you for all your trust in me and your continued support!

Yours truly,

Mike LaCorte

President
World Association of Detectives Inc.



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LAURA GIULIANI

1st VICE PRESIDENT

During the first year of my mandate, I have helped set up the WAD subscriptions of several European members. As a member of the Associations Relationships Committee and tasked with developing relations with national associations, I helped defined and set-up 1) guidelines for best-practice approach to local associations, 2) evaluation steps and 3) criteria for potential partnerships.



DAN RUSU

2nd VICE PRESIDENT

I try to keep a good balance between experience and dedication to WAD, a good balance between ability to lighten up and have fun, make friends all over. In my opinion the social side of WAD is every bit as important as the business side. When someone gets into office which is all business, it seems we have a long year. If you pour a little friendship all will be perfect.



NIGEL BROWN

3rd VICE PRESIDENT

Nigel Brown, Managing Partner, Dangate Consulting Ltd, UK is a specialist investigator in the field of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA) and the UK Bribery Act. He has advised several major Fortune 500 and FTSE 100 companies in this field. He has been nominated as an Independent Auditor for the National-Anti Corruption Bureau in the Ukraine and has been invited to address the Parliament of Ukraine on the subject area. He has been a member of the Governing Council for the Association of British Investigators and is currently the advisor and elector Board member in charge of Compliance for the World Association of Detectives (WAD). Nigel is elected Vice President of the WAD in October 2017.



Dear WAD Friends,

It is truly an honour to be elected as Third Vice President.

The Association has been growing now for some time. Much of what we need to do, apart from continuing to grow, is also to show our colleagues and Clients all across the globe that our business ethics and the standard of service that our WAD members provide, far exceeds that of others.

Clients wishing to engage top flight investigation resources, should know that the WAD stands for a Center of Excellence. Neither the Executive Board, nor any individual Board member, can achieve this alone. It has to be the focus and goal that every member in our Association strives for.

The more we strive towards this goal, the more we will create an environment where new members will want to join and new Clients will want to engage.

Let us do this together. It requires no expense in financial terms, but a great deal of effort by all, to say "no", when others in our industry, may say "yes".

Wishing you all a healthy and successful 2018.

