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PUBLISHER'S NOTE

During my term as president of the Society of Georgia Archivists (SGA), GEORGIA ARCHIVE (called PROVENANCE beginning with this issue) reached a new stage of growth. It is fitting that the changes that mark this growth are made at the tenth anniversary of its publication. We are most grateful to all those who have built the journal's reputation and expanded audience.

Since 1978 the executive board of the society has sought from its members ideas for dealing with the heavy responsibilities of the journal given its regional, if not national, status. The membership sanctioned a name change and exploration of options for sharing the work and sponsorship with other regional organizations. In 1982 the SGA executive board approved a working document to permit copublication, but this offer was declined by two regionals whose executive boards had at first expressed interest.

Because copublication proved impossible, the executive board and the editor decided to seek the aid of other Southern archival societies in gaining subscribers while still retaining sponsorship. An effort will also be made to recruit editorial board members from other states to build an information network which should increase the scope and audience of the journal. Thus, changing the name to PROVENANCE: Journal of the Society of Georgia Archivists reflects these new directions while maintaining our link with the past. The Society of Georgia Archivists thereby continues to make its contribution to the archival profession.

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