

Deepest Appreciation to Michael A. Dover From Editor to Publisher to Forever Friend

Recently, we received word from Michael “Mike” Dover that he is resigning as Publisher of *Reflections*, the role he has played since 2017. Michael also served as Editor from 2012–2017. We cannot thank him enough for his commitment, dedication, and leadership over the past decade to the journal and for always being available to us as we transitioned into the Editorial Leadership Team and he assumed the invaluable role of Publisher.

Earlier this year, Michael shared with Cathleen Lewandowski, Director of the Cleveland State University School of Social Work; Editor-in-Chief Darlyne Bailey; and the members of the journal’s Executive Committee—and later asked us to share with you, the *Reflections* readers—that on Inauguration Day he suffered a minor but significant right-side stroke. After fully successful surgery, he is at home resting, reading, writing, and engaging in rehab. He is on leave now from his teaching and service duties.

He asked that this issue be the last with him as Publisher. His duties included working with Graduate Assistant Sarah Valek on issue publication, a process that takes place after the copyediting is overseen by Assistant Editor Kelly McNally Koney. Sarah will continue in that role this year with the assistance of the journal’s work-study students.

We also asked Michael to share anything else he would like to convey to our readers. First, on a humorous note, he said, “my left-wing brain was not affected!” More seriously, he wanted to draw attention to Art Director Robin Richesson’s covers from two 2012 issues: an infinity sign, accompanied by this quote about *Reflections*: “It did not start with me, it will not end with me.” Finally, he wanted to share what he believes to be key to organizational survival: “once a leader, always a leader, although our roles may change” (personal communication, March 3, 2021).

Consistent with that belief, Michael has already undertaken a number of tasks to ensure a smooth transition. He has offered to remain available for the foreseeable future to answer any questions which arise. He also said he has a few stored-up ideas for submissions to the journal. Finally, he hopes readers can [donate](#) to help fund a part-time summer *Reflections* job for a student, especially given this will be his first summer without *Reflections* duties to carry out!

We know that Michael will continue to be a leader in whatever he chooses to do. We are ever so grateful that he will be a forever friend of *Reflections*.