As a Director of the Infectious Diseases Society of America (Society), I am fully committed and dedicated to the Society’s mission, to improve the health of individuals, communities and society by promoting excellence in patient care, education, research, public health, and prevention relating to infectious diseases. I understand that my duties and responsibilities include the following.

1. I understand my legal responsibilities for the Society and those of my fellow Directors. I am responsible for knowing and overseeing the implementation of policies.

2. I am responsible, with other Directors, for ensuring appropriate planning, controls and reporting to assure the fiscal health of the Society. I will be familiar with our finances and take an active role in reviewing, approving, and monitoring the budget.

3. I accept the Bylaws and understand that I am responsible for the health and well-being of the Society.

4. I will not disclose any confidential information related to any Society activity or program other than that generally authorized for dissemination or approved by the Society, specifically including, but not limited to, the content of past or present Board reports, confidential attorney communications, technical developments and information, financial information, educational material, contracts, personnel information, corporate strategy or planning material, internal communications, trade secrets, and patented, trademarked, or copyrighted material.

5. I hereby assign to the Society all right, title, and interest in and to any information, product, property, technology, or material developed, conceived, modified, or created by me relating to Society programs and activities, technological developments, and policy documents, including any and all copyright, trademarks, and patents.

6. I will actively engage in identifying, nominating, and mentoring other leaders.

7. I will leverage connections, networks, and resources to help achieve the Society’s mission.

8. An annual financial contribution to the IDSA Foundation is strongly encouraged.

9. When acting on behalf of the Society, I will put the interests of the organization before any personal or professional concerns.

10. I will encourage and support my fellow Directors and the Society’s staff.

11. I will attend board meetings, be available for phone consultation, and serve as a liaison on one Society committee. In-person meetings typically occur in March (Washington DC area), June (location TBD) and October (IDWeek).

12. I agree to participate in any training and education sessions that the Society provides for Board members.
13. At the Society’s request, I will represent the Society before government officials and serve as a media spokesperson, if permitted by my employer and in accordance with my expertise.

14. If I am not able to meet my obligations as a Director, I will offer my resignation.