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# Editorial

With this issue of the Journal we move into a period of transition. This will culminate in the change of the name to *Journal of Mechanical Design* which will take place with the March 1990 issue. The new name appears as a subtitle to the present issue. The change will also involve the transfer of papers in the areas of stress and reliability in design to this journal. They are presently handled by our sister journal: the *Journal of Vibration, Acoustics, Stress and Reliability in Design*, which will also be changing its name to *Journal of Vibration and Acoustics*. In preparation for this transfer, the Journal will start processing manuscripts in the areas of stress and reliability in design effective July 1, 1989. Authors interested in having their manuscripts considered for publication should send them to me. Submission instructions are printed on the last page of this journal.

I expect that we will also be making some adjustments in editorial format as we move into the new alignment of journal material. It is our hope that the new arrangement will allow us to better serve the technical community, particularly the community associated with the Design Division of ASME, by providing a comprehensive archive for research in mechanical design.

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