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2016  Charles Seth Landefeld, MD, FACP
2017  Charles Michael Soppet, MD, FACP
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On the national level, she has been recognized as a leader in internal medicine education. She is currently on the Board of Directors for the Alliance of Academic Internal Medicine and the Association of Program Directors in Internal Medicine and has served as President of the Association of Program Directors in Internal Medicine in 2019 to 2020. She was Co-Chair of the 2012 National Meeting of the Society of General Internal Medicine. In 2009 to 2010, she was President of the Southern Society of General Internal Medicine and has served in numerous positions and committees in this organization. In 2020, she was awarded the Parker J. Palmer Courage to Teach Award by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education, which is awarded to 10 program directors each year across all specialty programs. She has also been a manuscript reviewer for the *New England Journal of Medicine*, *JAMA*, the *Journal of General Internal Medicine*, and the *Journal of Graduate Medical Education*.

Dr. Willett was an invited panel speaker on the August 2020 ACP webinar addressing the topic “Navigating the 2021 Internal Medicine Match During the Time of COVID-19.” She has given numerous lectures to other medical schools and has served on many panels and organized national workshops on graduate medical education and assessment. Her list of publications in peer-reviewed journals, abstracts, and workshops is exhaustive, as is the number of courses and seminars on curriculum development.

Dr. Willett and her husband, John, have two children. Their daughter, Ellen, 21, graduates from the University of Alabama in May and will enter Physical Therapy School at Samford University. Their son Jake, 19, is a freshman at the University of Alabama. Her outside interests are relaxing on Perdido Bay with a paddleboat or kayak; birdwatching; and tending her lemon tree.

Because of her commitment to quality medical education and the impact that she is having on the next generation of young internists, the Alabama Chapter of ACP is proud to honor Dr. Willett with the 2021 Laureate Award.