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Before retiring from a large law firm several years ago, I planned for several decades to become a better bridge player as soon as I had time. Retirement finally gave me that opportunity.

While I am still on the lower part of the experience and expertise spectrums, I believe that my perspective will be helpful to EMBA in terms of attracting and retaining active players. My primary goal is to assist EMBA in making the player experience as exciting and rewarding as it can be, within the constraints of cost and practicality.

One of the best opportunities for EMBA to increase participation in the short term can be found in recently retired Baby Boomers, a group to which I belong. Outreach by local clubs and their members to this group, with assistance from EMBA, would in my view be worthwhile. Many newcomers find bridge to be a game with a steep learning curve. In my view, every reasonable effort should be made to nurture and encourage newer players, as they represent the future of the game.

When I am not at the bridge table, I am regularly at Greater Boston Legal Services as a Volunteer Attorney where I provide free legal representation to low income taxpayers engaged in controversies with the Internal Revenue Service or the Massachusetts Department of Revenue.

Serving on the EMBA Board of Directors represents a second way for me to “give back.”

With thanks for your consideration, I ask for your vote.

