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OBJECT NAME	Photograph
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MEDIUM	Photo Paper

## **OBJECT DESCRIPTION**

This is a photograph of Andrew Fasseas in front of the statue of Hippocrates, surrounded by university dignitaries. Fasseas sits directly in front of the statue, slightly to the right of center. On the far left is a man with dark hair and glasses. Next to him is a balding, white-haired man. To his right, next to Fasseas is another bald man. To the right of Fasseas is a man with wavy gray hair. All of the men are wearing suits and ties. Fasseas is wearing a dark jacket and light pants, and the man to his left is wearing a light-colored suit. The other three men are wearing dark suits. The caption on the back of the photograph says: "L. to R.: Dr. Stanley O. Ikenberry, President, University of Illinois; Dr. Joseph S. Begando, Chancellor, University of Illinois at the Medical Center Mr. Park Livingston, President, Medical Center Commission; Mr. Andrew Fasseas, Executive Director, Hippocrates Monument Fund; Mr. William D. Forsyth, Jr., President, Board of Trustees, University of Illinois".

## **ORIGIN**

Hippocrates was a Greek physician born in 460 BC on the island of Cos. Hippocrates created the field of medicine as it is known today, establishing it as its own profession. Hippocrates made a number of important contributions to the field of medicine, many of which are still relevant. He is known as the Father of Western Medicine. He is believed to have written the Hippocratic Oath, which outlines the ethical standards that physicians are bound to uphold, and which is still in use today. The sculpture was created by Costos Georgakas in Greece in 1972. It was given to the University of Illinois by Andrew Fasseas, a prominent member of the Greek-American community, and the Hippocrates Monument fund and was unveiled in 1980. Fasseas was born in Sparta and immigrated to Chicago at the age of 12. As an adult, Fasseas worked for the state government, as well as owning a baking company, a newspaper, and a bank. He also provided money and supplies to help improve his native region of Greece and to aid Greek disaster victims. He was honored by the Greek government in 1969 and died in 1988. He was survived by his wife, Angelyn, and his two sons, Milton and Peter. Park Livingston



was an important University of Illinois booster. Born in 1906 to a poor South Dakota family, Livingston attended the University of Illinois and John Marshall Law School. As a U of I alumnus, Livingston became assistant dean of men for the university in 1930 and later served 24 years on the university Board of Trustees, including 10 years as board president. After his time on the board, Livingston served as the university's lobbyist and counsel general. He died in 1999.

## **CITATION**

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