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## **Adna G. Wilde Jr. Steps Down as ANA Treasurer**

Adna G. Wilde Jr. has stepped down from his role as Treasurer of the American Numismatic Association. Wilde informed the Board of Governors of his decision on Sept. 9, and his resignation was made official at the Board's teleconference meeting on Sept. 11. Former Assistant Treasurer Jerome Walton will assume the role of Treasurer on an interim basis until a permanent replacement is named.

"It has been my honor and privilege to serve as the ANA treasurer since 1983," Wilde said. "My work with the ANA has been both challenging and rewarding, and after 25 years I believe it is time for me to step aside and turn this very important responsibility over to someone else. The physical challenges of coming into the ANA headquarters on a regular basis and attending conventions have become too difficult."

The ANA has benefited from Wilde's leadership for 40 years. A member since 1947, he served as executive director from 1968-72, governor from 1973-79, vice president from 1979-81 and president from 1981-83. He had served as treasurer since 1983. Wilde received the Farran Zerbe Award in 1985, the Medal of Merit in 1991, and was named Numismatist of the Year in 2005. He was elected to the ANA Numismatic Hall of Fame in 2002 and received the Numismatic Ambassador Award from Numismatic News in 1995.

Before his distinguished service with the ANA, Wilde was a Lieutenant Colonel in the U.S. Army, and was wounded in combat in Italy during World War II.

"Adna's list of honors and accomplishments speaks for itself," said ANA President Barry Stuppler. "He has earned the respect of everyone he has worked with, and has provided stability through good times and bad. His leadership will be missed."

Stuppler said the Board of Governors would discuss plans to name a new treasurer during its meeting in Colorado Springs on October 14.

The American Numismatic Association is a nonprofit educational organization dedicated to encouraging people to study and collect money and related items. The ANA helps its 32,000 members and the public discover and explore the world of money through its vast array of education and outreach programs, as well as its museum, library, publications, conventions and seminars. For more information, call 719-632-2646 or visit [www.money.org](http://www.money.org).