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January 14, 1988

Dear SEALL Member,

The 1988 Nominations Committee is interested in soliciting nominations from all of the members. The committee needs to nominate individuals for three positions this year. Please contact me or one of the other nomination committee members by February 5, 1988. The committee is responsible for submitting a slate to the president by March 1, 1988. The offices for the SEALL include Vice-President/President Elect, Secretary, and Treasurer. The Secretary and Treasurer positions are for two year terms.

Thank you for your assistance in this most important endeavor. I would be happy to hear from you either by telephone or by letter. Please call me if you have any questions. The other committee members are listed below.

Respectfully,

Peggy D. Martin
Chair Nominations Committee

PDM/hab

Nancy Johnson, Georgia State University, College of Law Library, University Plaza, Atlanta, GA 30303-3092
Peggy Hardy, North Carolina Central University Law Library, Durham, NC 27707
Michael Lynch, Florida State University, College of Law Library, Tallahassee, FL 32306
Charyn Picquet, University of Tennessee Law Library, 1505 West Cumberland Ave., Knoxville, TN 37996

Ms. Peggy D. Martin
Chair - Nomination Committee
Southeastern Association of Law Libraries
Paul, Hastings, Janofsky & Walker
133 Peachtree Street N.E., 42nd floor
Atlanta, GA 30303.

Dear Peggy:

In reply to the Committee's solicitation of nominations for SEALL office-holders, I should like to submit my name for consideration as Treasurer.

My library experience is as follows: Head Catalog Librarian at the University of South Carolina Law Library from 1977 to present; Senior Catalog Librarian at Yale Medical Library from 1976-1977; and Catalog Librarian in the same institution from 1974-1976.

I have been a member of SEALL for over ten years, and have attended many of the chapter meetings during that time. During the 1986-1987 year I was a member of the Program Committee, chaired by Hazel Johnson. This year I am on the Membership Committee, chaired by Hilary Burg.

My background includes courses in accountancy at the University of Queensland, and accounting experience with Price, Waterhouse in Brisbane, Australia. My undergraduate major in Home Economics was in the area of family economics. While I do not claim to be an expert, up-to-date accountant, I am capable of keeping a cash book and ledger, reconciling a bank account and producing financial statements. What is more, I enjoy doing it.

Bill Younger, Alabama Supreme Court and State Law Librarian, will send a formal nomination and Joseph Cross of this library will second it. I enclose a summary resume for further information. Hazel Johnson said that she would be happy to speak to my work on the Program Committee.

If there is anything else that you require, I shall do my best to supply it.

Yours sincerely,

Diana Osbaldiston.

The University of South Carolina: USC Aiken; USC Salkehatchie, Allendale; USC Beaufort; USC Columbia; Coastal Carolina College, Conway; USC Lancaster; USC Spartanburg; USC Sumter; USC Union; and the Military Campus.
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COLUMBIA, S.C. 29208


NAME: Diana Margaret Osbaldiston

ADDRESS: 1611 Wyndham Road, Columbia, S.C. 29204.

BIRTH: 26 June, 1935, Brisbane, Australia.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:
Head Catalog Librarian
Coleman Karesh Law Library
University of South Carolina, Columbia, S.C. 29208.
April 1977-
Senior Catalog Librarian, July, 1976- April, 1977
Catalog Librarian, August, 1974 - June, 1976
Yale Medical Library, School of Medicine,
Yale University, New Haven, Ct. 06520.

EDUCATION:
B.S. in Home Economics with Liberal Arts, Magna cum laude,
honors program, Kansas State University, December, 1971.
Graduate study in Home Economics (6hours) Kansas State
University, Spring, 1972.
M.S. in Library Science, Southern Connecticut State
University, December, 1973.
Certified Law Librarian, 1982.
M.M.A. (Master of Media Arts), University of South
Carolina, August, 1983.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL SKILLS:
Languages: fluent in French; working knowledge of Latin
and German.
Statistics; Accountancy.

PUBLICATIONS:
Osbaldiston, Diana and Morse, Richard L.D. Advertis­
ements of savings accounts. Congressional record - Senate

Book review: ALA/RTSD, Guidelines on subject access to
microcomputer software. Chicago : ALA, 1986. In Legal
information alert v. 6, no. 2, Feb. 1987, p. 7.
PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:
- American Association of Law Libraries, and Technical Services Section.
- South Eastern Chapter American Association of Law Libraries.
- South Carolina Library Association.

COMMITTEES:

HONOR SOCIETIES:
- Phi Kappa Phi (national scholastic honor society)
- Omicron Nu, Phi Upsilon Omicron (Home Economics national honor societies)

MEETINGS ATTENDED:

RECENT PRESENTATIONS:
- March, 1987 - For Advanced Legal Bibliography (Prof. J.R. Cross, Jr.): Organizing a Law Firm Library.
- April, 1987 - South Eastern Chapter AALL Meeting - Discussion Group Leader for Cataloging Microcomputer Software.
- May, 1987 - South Carolina Library Association Special Libraries Section Workshop on Cataloging in a Small Library - 1) Delivered introductory remarks: Philosophy of Cataloging and 2) presented a segment: Special Cataloging Concerns.

CURRENT COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:
- South Caroliniana Society.
- Trinity Cathedral:
  - January, 1987- assisting with all aspects of cataloging and classifying the entire collection of 2,000 titles.
  - Choir member.
- Member, Bishop Finlay Chapter of the Daughters of the Holy Cross - 1987 supper chairman.

Mr. William C. Younger  
Alabama Supreme Court and State Law Library  
Judicial Building  
445 Dexter Ave.  
Montgomery, AL 36130.

Dear Bill:

Thank you for agreeing to send a formal nomination for me to be Treasurer of SEAL in the coming year. I enclose the letter that I sent to Peggy Martin and a copy of a summary résumé which I have made up for the occasion. -- Not made up as in fiction, but compiled.

I do appreciate your support. Joseph Cross, whom I am sure you remember as the Head of Reader Services in our library, is going to send a note to Peggy stating that he seconds my nomination as made by you. I think that if you just say that you nominate me for Treasurer, and make any other appropriate and nice remarks that you can think of, that is all that is required. Whether the nomination will appear on the slate as decided on by the Nomination Committee I have no idea. I suppose it depends on who else decides to run. Anyway, I should like to have a go at the job. I don't have any ambitions for any of the other spots, and probably wouldn't be considered as they always seem to go to head librarians.

So thank you once again. The information has to be in Atlanta by 5 February, so I hope you will be able to manage that.

With warmest regards,

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

Diana Osbaldiston.
Ms. Peggy D. Martin  
Chair-Nominating Committee  
Southeastern Chapter, AALL  
133 Peachtree Street N.E.  
42nd Floor  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Peggy:

This letter confirms my telephone conversation with you of this date. It gives me great pleasure to nominate Diana Osbaldiston for the office of Treasurer of the Southeastern Chapter AALL. I have known Diana ever since she has been a member of the Southeastern Chapter, which is more than ten years. During this time she has been active in both the Southeastern Chapter and the American Association of Law Libraries and has attended many of our meetings.

Diana is a professional librarian with a background in accounting. In working with her I have found her to be very efficient. She has been in the South long enough to qualify as a gracious Southern Lady.

As one of the past Presidents of the Southeastern Chapter, I nominate Diana for the office of Treasurer knowing that she will be faithful and do a good job. Best wishes!

Sincerely,

William C. Younger  
State Law Librarian
March 7, 1988

Hazel Johnson
Long, Aldridge & Norman
1900 Rhodes Haverty Building
134 Peachtree Street
Atlanta, GA 30303

Dear Hazel,

I am pleased to present the slate for the officers of the SEALL 1988-89 term. They are as follows:

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Wes Cochran
Bruce Johnson

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Lisa Williams

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Betty Kern
Joan Cannon

Please let me know if I need to do anything further with the slate. I am sending a letter to each of the candidates thanking them for running for the office. Call me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Peggy D. Martin
Chair, Nominating Committee, SEALL

PDM/hab
March 8, 1988

Larry B. Wenger  
Law Library  
University of Virginia School of Law  
Charlottesville, VA 22901

Dear Larry:

    Peggy Martin of the Nominating Committee has informed me of the slate to be presented for election. As I recall, the secretary is in charge of sending out the ballots. According to the Bylaws, balloting is to be accomplished in May. Since you're an old hand at this, I'm enclosing a copy of Peggy's letter and have asked her to obtain biographical information from each candidate to enclose with the ballot. As soon as I receive that material, I'll forward it to you. We will be announcing the slate in Lexington and while this is a little soon to be thinking of elections, it will be one less thing for me to worry about.

Sincerely,

Hazel L. Johnson  
Law Librarian  
President, SEAALL
March 29, 1988

Hazel Johnson
LONG ALDRIDGE & NORMAN
134 Peachtree Street
1900 Rhodes-Haverty Building
Atlanta, GA 30043-1863

RE: SEALL 1987-88 Nominating Committee Annual Report

Dear Hazel,

Attached is a copy of my report. If you do print a summary in the newsletter, you might want to edit some of the more confidential portions i.e., how many people turned down the nominations etc. Please call me if you have any questions. Enjoyed working on your committee.

Sincerely,

Peggy D. Martin
Legal Researcher

PDM/hab
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Chair, Nominating Committee, SEALL
Southeastern Association of Law Libraries

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE
PROCEDURES

The Nominations Committee shall solicit two candidates for the positions of Vice-President/President Elect (1 yr. term), Secretary (2 yr. term), Treasurer (2 yr. term). The Committee invites the entire SEALL membership to submit names of potential candidates.

Once names are submitted, the Committee will seek as much information as possible on each person’s qualifications. The Committee will pay particular attention to the following information on each candidate:

- SEALL Association activities
- Institution (Academic, Firm, Court, etc.)
- Professional Experience - activities
- Desire to serve

If necessary, the Committee will request a resume in order to determine the person’s qualification. To the extent possible, the Committee will attempt to provide a slate of well qualified candidates that represent different types of law libraries.

The Committee shall prepare for the election, mail the ballots, and maintain a full record of the election results.
The Nominating Committee consisting of Peggy Martin, Chair; Peggy Hardy, NCCU; Nancy Johnson, GSU; Michael Lynch, FSU; and Cheryn Picquet, Univ. of Tenn.; developed an excellent slate for the offices of Vice-President/President Elect, Secretary, and Treasurer. In addition to the slate, Nancy Johnson drafted written guidelines of the criteria for consideration of individual candidates for each office.

I began the year by thanking the committee members for serving on the committee. I also asked for suggestions on the written guidelines, for soliciting suggestions for nominees, and other comments. The committee decided to send an individual letter out to each SEALL member to solicit nominations from all of the members. We received a most gratifying response, with over 20 names suggested as candidates.

Once the suggestions were received, I sent a letter to the committee members with the names listed, and the prior SEALL officers and candidates opposing them. I also sent the 1987/88 committee membership list and a copy of the nominating committee’s drafted guidelines. Each committee member created a draft ballot with several alternates for each position so that during the conference call we could decide upon the candidates promptly. The conference call went very smoothly and approximately 3 to 4 names were suggested for each position. Each position had 1 candidate decline to run due to time constraints. (Hazel this is the part you might want to leave out of the newsletter). The slate of officers for the 1988/89 term are Vice President/President Elect, Wes Cochran and Bruce Johnson; Treasurer (2 years) Diana Osbaldiston, Lisa Williams; and Secretary (2 years) Betty Kern and Joan Cannon.

I sent a letter to each candidate thanking them for running. Each candidate was asked for a copy of their biographical information to be enclosed with the ballot. Also, I sent a letter to the other committee members informing them of the final slate.

One of our main concerns was to decide whether or not each position should have 2 candidates. The committee decided that the membership was large enough to have many good choices for candidates and that the honor of being asked to run should outweigh the disappointment of losing. Another committee member suggested that perhaps the persons chosen as candidates who did not win the election could be on next year’s nominating committee. This unofficial tradition would acknowledge the contribution that the losing
candidates made so that we could have the satisfaction of a
democratic ballot. (Hazel perhaps this shouldn’t go in the
newsletter either). One final note, in addition to
telephone suggestions of possible candidates, some people
took the time to send written recommendations and I
personally found this very helpful. All in all, this years
committee did a fine job and a smooth one. Thank you for
your confidence in me and the other committee members in
developing the slate for this coming year.

Respectfully,

Peggy Martin
Chair, Nominating Committee, SEALL
May 19, 1988

Dear SEALL Member:

Enclosed are the instruction sheet and accompanying information for the election of officers for next year. Article III, Section 2 of the Bylaws of the Southeastern Chapter specifies that elections are to be held by mail ballot in May of each year. The offices of Vice-President/President-Elect, Secretary, and Treasurer are to be filled this year.

The Nominating Committee, in accordance with Article III, Section 1 of the Bylaws, has nominated two candidates for each position, and biographical information on each candidate is enclosed. Please place your ballot in the small blank envelope, and return in the pre-addressed and numbered envelope. All ballots must be postmarked no later than June 15, 1988.

Also enclosed is the registration form for the SEALL breakfast business meeting, which will be held Monday, June 27th from 7:30 a.m. until 8:45 a.m. That form should be sent to Hazel Johnson in sufficient time to reach her by June 1st, 1988.

Sincerely,

Larry B. Wenger
Secretary, SEALL

Enclosures
J. WESLEY COCHRAN

Present Position: Law Librarian & Assistant Professor of Law, University of Mississippi, University, MS.


Chapter Activities: Education Committee 1987-88; Newsletter Committee 1986-88; Nominating Committee (Chairman), 1986-87; Placement Committee, 1980-82; Program Committee, 1981-82.

A.A.L.L. Activities: Constitution and Bylaws Committee, 1986-87; Awards Committee 1983-86 (Chairman 1984-85); Scholarships and Grants Committee, 1983-84.

Other Professional Activities: Consortium of South Eastern Law Libraries, Chairman of the Board of Directors, 1987-89; New Orleans Association of Law Librarians, 1982-83, Organizing President.

BRUCE S. JOHNSON

Present Position:  Associate Professor & Head Law Librarian, Coleman Karesh Law Library, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC.


Chapter Activities:  Currently serving on Education Committee. Chair of Local Arrangements Committee for 1987 Chapter meeting in Charleston, SC. Member, Constitution & By-Laws Committee, 1985-86.


Publications:  Funding of State Supported Academic Law Libraries, with Professor Dennis Stone, to be published in volume 80, number 3, LAW LIBRARY JOURNAL. The Academic Law Library and the Practicing Attorney, VI CAROLINA LAWYER (1986).

Honors:  Phi Beta Mu.
JOAN D. CANNON

Present Position: Assistant Supreme Court Librarian; Florida Supreme Court Library; Tallahassee, FL.


Chapter Activities: Previous Committee service:
Scholarship Committee
Newsletter Committee
Membership Committee

Publications: Obtaining Current Legislative Material: Florida, 8 Southeastern Law Librarian 10 (Summer 1983).

Honors: Beta Phi Mu (Library honorary).
CANDIDATE FOR SECRETARY

BETTY KERN

Present Position: Serials & Acquisitions Librarian
Law Library of Louisiana, New Orleans, LA

Education: B.S., University of Texas

Chapter Activities: 1984/85 Chair, Local Arrangements
SEALL/NOALL Joint Meeting
1985/86 Nominating Committee
1986/87 Select Education Committee

AALL Activities: 1983/86 Relations with Publishers Committee
1985/86 Council of Chapter Presidents
1987/88 Coordinator, Newsletter Editors
CANDIDATE FOR TREASURER

LISA W. WILLIAMS

Present Position: Librarian; Adams, McCullough & Beard, Raleigh, N.C.


Professional Activities: Currently serving on SEALL Membership Committee; Vice-President/President Elect, Raleigh Area Law Librarians Association; Lecturer, Meredith College Legal Assistants Program.
CANDIDATE FOR TREASURER

DIANA OSBALDISTON

Present Position: Head Catalog Librarian, Coleman Karesh Law Library, University of South Carolina, Columbia, S.C., since 1977.
Education: B.S., Magna cum laude, Honors program, Kansas State University, 1971; M.S.L.S., Southern Connecticut State University, 1973; M.M.A., University of South Carolina, 1983.
Discussion Group Leader for Cataloging Microcomputer Software, 1987 meeting.
Honors: Phi Kappa Phi (national scholastic honor society); Omicron Nu, Phi Upsilon Omicron (Home Economics national honor societies)