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See attached. I'll e-mail you our combined list of
names to forward to Gail early next week — Thanks!

Donna

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RE: Participation in the 1998 AALL Nominations Process

Dear Donna:

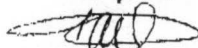
The 1998 AALL Nominations Committee has begun the process of identifying potential candidates to fill the slate for 1999 elections, including the offices of Vice-president/ President-elect, Secretary, and two Executive Board Members. This process relies on member participation to insure that candidates are considered from *all* categories of the Association's diverse membership.

Ten years ago, the AALL Executive Board adopted a resolution urging each Chapter and Special Interest Section to participate in the nominations process by establishing a formal method of submitting names of possible nominees to the Nominations Committee each year before the annual meeting. If your organization has solicited names for AALL offices, please forward this list to the Nominations Committee. If the Southeastern Chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries has not formalized its procedures, please still make an effort as a leader in the Association to participate in this year's nominations cycle by submitting names of people who you feel should be considered for AALL office. Please submit any lists or suggestions to me by **March 13, 1998**.

I am also requesting that you ask your newsletter editor to print the attached announcement in the next issue of your newsletter or post it on your website, in order for us to reach as many individual members of AALL as possible.

We truly appreciate your assistance in making the nominating process as open as possible and in ensuring that the Association's many strengths are reflected in the final slate.

Sincerely yours,



Gail Warren
Chair, AALL Nominations Committee
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cc: Amy J. Eaton
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Enclosure

News Item for Chapter and SIS Newsletters
Re: 1998 Nominations Process

The AALL Nominations Committee has begun the process of identifying possible candidates for the 1999 AALL election. Candidates are needed for the office of Vice President/President-Elect, Secretary, and two Executive Board members. The Committee is charged with, to the best of its ability, presenting a slate of candidates reflecting the diversity of AALL's membership. The membership of the Executive Board must maintain a balance of library type, geographic location, gender and minority representation. How is this accomplished?

Members of the Nominations Committee are individually responsible for reviewing lists of AALL members who previously have served in leadership positions and compiling a list of possible candidates. In addition, the committee solicits input from SIS Chairs and AALL Chapter Presidents, a reminder is posted on law-lib listserv, and news items, such as this, serve to include individual members of our Association in the nominations process. During 1997, the Nominations Committee initially considered a master list of 184 names culled from all these sources and each individual on the list was contacted to determine their willingness to serve.

Those willing to serve are included in a shorter list of potential candidates and each member of the Nominations Committee is asked to review this list and submit a list matching individual names with available offices, keeping in mind the "balancing" and "diversity" requirements of the committee's charge. Each individual on this shorter list is called a second time to determine their willingness to serve as a candidate for a particular office.

Only one chapter, two SIS's and seven individuals offered suggestions for possible candidates during the 1997 nominations process. Let's increase those statistics this year by participating! All AALL members are encouraged to submit names to be considered for candidacy by writing any member of the Nominations Committee or AALL Headquarters by April 17, 1998.

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