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ANNE'S PRESIDENTIAL PONDERINGS



Anne Klinefelter, President

With 2007 upon us, SEAALL welcomes new key contributors, anticipates strategic planning based on survey results, and looks forward to the Annual Meeting in Baton Rouge.

Many thanks go to **Laurel Brown**, from Parker, Poe, Adams & Bernstein in Charlotte, North Carolina, who has taken on the role as editor of the SEAALL Handbook. When **Cathy Lemann**, formerly of the Law Library of Louisiana in New Orleans, moved to become the Alaska State Law Librarian, we thought about inviting Alaska into SEAALL, but decided the geography presented some logical and logistical barriers, so we had to bid Cathy farewell. We send our thanks to Cathy for the care and feeding of the Handbook over the years. We are fortunate to have Laurel already at work on making sure the Handbook is accessible and up to date. This Handbook is the principle advisory resource for SEAALL and includes Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws and the institutional memory guidelines known simply as "the handbook" which is updated each year by Committee Chairs and Officers. We appreciate Laurel taking on this important role for the chapter.

Thanks too to **Thomas Walter** from Mississippi College in Jackson who has accepted the torch of webmaster from **Steve Melamut** who was tapped for an acting role as Assistant Dean for Information Technology in the UNC School of Law. Steve was always very responsive to requests for changes and updates on the site, and we are indebted to him for his excellent service. Thomas has already designed a possible new look for the site, so we may be seeing some changes in the future.

We also appreciate the energetic leadership from **Lisa Smith-Butler** at Nova Southeastern University in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, who accepted the role as SEAALL Newsletter editor and chair of the SEAALL Newsletter and Public Relations Committee. I can attest to her charm and dedication in getting columns and other contributions for the newsletter, so many thanks to Lisa for taking on these areas of leadership for SEAALL. These were roles that **Steve Melamut** had assumed so well over the last several years, and thanks go to him for the time and expertise he gave to these responsibilities.

The SEAALL membership survey has drawn a substantial number of responses, but we are calling for more of you to share your thoughts about how SEAALL could best serve you. With the results of this survey, your SEAALL officers can begin strategic planning for the chapter.

And, the big event of each spring is the SEAALL Annual Meeting! This year we are converging on Baton Rouge, and I hope many of you join us there. You'll be seeing much more about that event soon, thanks to the Local Arrangements Committee and the Program Planning Committee.



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SEAALL BRIEFS

compiled by **Karin Den Bleyker**

Florida

University of Miami

Michelle Cosby joined the library staff this semester as the Reference/Information Services Librarian. Michelle graduated from Indiana University (Bloomington) with a joint J.D./M.L.S. in May 2006. In January, **Whitney Curtis** will take over the position of Reference/Instructional Services Librarian. Whitney expects her M.L.S. in December from the University of South Florida, and she received her J.D. from Roger Williams University School of Law.

St. Thomas University

Kathleen Brown, of Seattle, WA, joined the staff as the Faculty and Student Services Librarian while **John Beatty**, of Syracuse, NY, became the Multimedia/Public Services Librarian.

Georgia

Georgia State University

In early August, **Ron Wheeler** began working for the Georgia State University College of Law Library as the Associate Director for Public Services. Ron spent the previous 5 years at the University of New Mexico School of Law where he held various titles including assistant director for faculty, research, and instructional services. Ron was recently featured in the Law Librarian Blog's Spotlight on Law Librarians http://lawprofessors.typepad.com/law_librarian_blog/2006/08/spotlight_on_la.html

Chamberlain, Hrdlicka, White, Williams & Martin in Atlanta

Welcome to **Sarah Mauldin** who wrote:
"I'm a new member. I just moved home to

Atlanta to work for Chamberlain, Hrdlicka, White, Williams & Martin. I was previously the Director of Library Services at Lionel Sawyer & Collins in Las Vegas."

Kentucky

University of Kentucky

Karen A. Nuckolls, Head of Technical Services (University of Kentucky) has been chosen to participate in the ACRL Dr. E. J. Josey Spectrum Mentor Program, to be held at ALA Midwinter in Seattle in January. **Helane Davis**, Director of the Evans Law Library (University of Kentucky) has an article published in the fall issue of *Law Library Journal*, entitled, "Keeping Validity in Cite: Web Resources Cited in Select Washington Law Reviews, 2001-03."

Louisiana

Law Library of Louisiana

Georgia Chadwick is the new Associate Director of the Law Library of Louisiana, having assumed the position formerly held by Catherine Lemann, who became Director of the Alaska State Law Library in September. **Miriam Childs** is now the library's Head of Technical Services. Joining Miriam in the Technical Services Department is new law librarian **Charles Gaudin**, who previously worked at the Jefferson Parish Public Library and Northwestern Louisiana State University. In early December **Katie Nachod**, formerly of Tulane Law School, became the library's new Reference/Electronic Resources Librarian.

North Carolina

Duke University School of Law Library

Duke Law Library is pleased to welcome



Jennifer Behrens, our newest reference librarian. Jennifer joined our staff as a reference librarian in August. She received a J.D. and an M.L.S. from the University at Buffalo, and holds a B.A. in English from Daemen College. Prior to joining Duke, she worked for several years in public and academic libraries, most recently serving as the Graduate Assistant at the University at Buffalo Law Library, where she provided reference assistance, conducted library and research orientations, and coordinated the faculty document delivery service. In addition to teaching first-year research, serving as liaison for several faculty, and assisting reference patrons, Jennifer will be editing the library newsletter and coordinating library displays. Welcome, Jennifer.

It is with a mixture of sadness and pride that Duke Law Library writes to let you know that **Joy Hanson**, Reference Librarian at the Law Library, will be leaving Duke at the end of November to begin a new position as a reference librarian at the U.S. Supreme Court library. Joy worked as a summer intern at the Court during library school and obviously impressed them as much as she has us. Joy joined our reference staff in July 2004 and since that time has been a valuable and skilled member of our reference team, especially in managing the Library Research Assistants program. She has been a creative spark for DLSIS, and a wonderful colleague. I know that you will all join us in wishing her congratulations and success in this new position.

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Megan Garton, Reference/Electronic Services Librarian, is moving to Tulane Law Library in the role of Evening Reference Librarian/Instruction Coordinator. Librarians at UNC are sad to see Megan and her Mardi Gras bead collection go, but we wish her well and are glad she's still in SEALL. Thanks to Megan for her role in starting Instant Messenger Reference service at UNC and for her many contributions to managing and improving access to resources and for finding many ways to teach students

how to do legal research. **Teresa Stanton**, the University of North Carolina Law Library's first Reference/Foreign and International Law Librarian, is moving across the country to become Reference Librarian for Foreign and Comparative Law at the G.W. McEnerney Law Library at the University of California Berkeley School of Law. Thanks go to Teresa for shaping the foreign and international position at UNC, for special contributions to collection assessment and management, and for teaching both Advanced Legal Research and Introduction to American Law. We look forward to seeing you at AALL.

Washington, D.C.

American University

John Smith has joined the Library Faculty at the Pence Law Library, Washington College of Law as Access Services Librarian. Formerly, John was Serials and Technical Systems Coordinator. He recently completed his MLS degree at Catholic University of America's School of Library & Information Science.

Virginia

University of Richmond

Timothy L. Coggins, Associate Dean for Library & Information Services and Professor of Law at the University of Richmond School of Law, received the "Distinguished Alumni Award" from North Carolina Wesleyan College in Rocky Mount, NC at its alumni reception and banquet on October 14, 2006. Tim also recently presented two programs, "Internet Research – Part I: What's New and Exciting?" and "Internet Research – Part II: Finding Gems (of Information) Online", at the fifth statewide conference of the Virginia Alliance of Paralegal Associations on October 6, 2006.



SEAALL 2007 Slate of Candidates and Their Biographies

Submitted by Carol Avery Nicolson

For Vice-President/President-Elect:

Carol Bredmeyer, Assistant Director for Faculty Services
Northern Kentucky University
Salmon P. Chase College of Law Library
Highland Heights, KY

Amy B. Osborne, Head of Public Services
University of Kentucky Law Library
Lexington, KY

For Treasurer:

Timothy Alan Lewis, Director & State Law Librarian
Alabama Supreme Court & State Law Library
Montgomery, AL

Paula Tejada, Associate Law Librarian/Head of Technical
Services
Charleston School of Law
Charleston, SC

For Member at Large:

Nancy J. Adams, Librarian
U.S. District Court Library
Atlanta, GA

Jennifer E. Sekula, Senior Reference Librarian
Law Library
College of William & Mary School of Law

Biographies of Candidates

Nancy J. Adams

Current Position: Librarian, U.S. District Court,
Northern District of Georgia, Atlanta, GA

Education: MLS, Simmons College (Boston), 1986;
BA, Emory & Henry College (Va), 1983.

Professional Association Membership and Service:

AALL

Chair, Scholarship Committee

Program Moderator/Coordinator AExpanding
Reference Services Using the Internet@

Program Moderator/Co-Coordinator AAdministrative
Decisions in the Electronic Environment@

ALL-SIS

Committees: Nominations, Scholarship, Faculty
Services, Centennial Celebration

GD-SIS

CS-SIS

SCCLL-SIS

SEAALL

Program Speaker, AGeorgia Case Law,@ at Basic
Legal Research for the Non-law Librarian

Program Speaker, AE-Mail is for U: Internet for
Beginners@

Committees: Membership, Placement, Scholarship,
Nominations, Government Relations,

Local Arrangements (2001)



ALLA (Atlanta Law Libraries Association)

Chapter President, Vice-President, Secretary,
Newsletter Editor, Listserv Administrator

Committees: Legal Research, Nominations,
Newsletter, Placement, Bylaws, Technology,
Scholarships, Government Relations, Programs

Presentations:

Computer-Assisted Legal Research@ and Legal
Research on the Internet@ Institute for Paralegal
Education (IPE) 2003.

Faculty member in ICLE program Cost Effective
Legal Research@ 1997.

Publications:

Researching Georgia Law (2006 Edition), @ 22
Georgia State University Law Review 381. 1998
Edition: 14 Georgia State University Law Review 545.
1993 Edition: 9 Georgia State University Law Review
585.

Georgia Primary Research Materials@ CALI lesson,
2004.

*An Annotated Bibliography of State Legal Research
Guides*, @ 14 Legal Reference Services Quarterly 23-
77 (1994)

Carol Bredemeyer

Current Position: Assistant Director for Faculty
Services and Associate Professor for Library Services,
Salmon P. Chase College of Law Library, Northern
Kentucky University

Education: M.S.L.S., University of Kentucky, 1981,
B.A. (History), Morehead State University, 1978

Professional Association Memberships and Service:

American Association of Law Libraries

- Awards Committee, 2005- Present; Currently
Chair
- Academic Law Libraries SIS, Currently
Executive Board Member
 - o Member, Marketing Toolkit Task
Force, 2003-2004
 - o CONALL Committee, 2002-2003
- Mentoring Committee, 2003-2005
- *Law Library Journal* Editorial Board/*AALL
Spectrum* Advisory Committee, 1999-2002,
Chair, 2001-2002
- Public Relations Committee, 1995-1999;
Chair, 1998-1999
- Nominations Committee, 1992-1994
- Publications Policy Committee, 1998-1991,
Chair, 1990-1991
- Education Committee, 1983-1987
- Reader Services SIS: Chair, 1987-88,
Secretary-Treasurer, 1983-1984

SEAALL

- Member, Scholarship Committee, 2003-2004,
2005-2007
- Member, Program Committee, 2002-2003
 - o Co-Coordinator, SEAALL Institute,
"Project Management", 2003
- Recipient, Lucile Elliot Scholarship, 1998

Ohio Regional Association of Law Libraries



- Member, Program Committee, 2001-2002, 2005-2006
- Local Arrangements Committee, 1986, 1991, Co-Chair, 1997, 2004
- Member, 50th Anniversary Committee, 1997-1999
- Vice-President, President, Immediate Past President, 1991-1994
- Chair, Nominating Committee, 1994-1995
- Member, Newsletter Committee, 1987-1990

Cincinnati Bar Association (Associate Member);
Member, Legal Research & Information Resources
Committee

Have served on numerous College of Law and
University Committees, including two terms as
Faculty Senate President

Coalition of Senate and Faculty Leadership (an
organization of faculty leaders from Kentucky's public
universities): President, 2004-2006

Presentations:

- Moderator/Coordinator, "Rising to the Leadership Challenge Outside Your Library" for AALL 2007 Annual Meeting
- Panelist, "Collegial Governance", KY Council on Postsecondary Education Governor's Trusteeship Conference, 2004, 2006
- Panelist, "Keep on Keepin' On", KY Council on Postsecondary Education Governor's Trusteeship Conference, 2003
- "Citation Form", Kentucky Court Reporters Association, 1998.
- Speaker, "Subject Headings and OPACS", 1997 SEAALL Annual Meeting

- Moderator/Coordinator, "The Law School Computer Lab: What Is the Library's Role?", AALL 1987 Annual Meeting

Publications:

- "What Do Directors Do?", 96 Law Library Journal 317 (2004).
- Book review, 92 Law Library Journal 475 (2000) (reviewing J. Moore, Elections A to Z (1999)).
- Book review, 15 Legal Information Alert 15 (February 1996) (reviewing R. Berring, Finding the Law, 10th ed. (1995)).
- Book review, 8 Legal Information Alert 7 (January, 1989) (reviewing W. Hodes, Legal Research: A Self-Teaching Guide to the Law Library, 2d ed. (1988)).
- "Serving the Evening Law Student", 80 Law Library Journal 619 (1988).

Awards:

- Youngs Library Faculty Service Award, Chase College of Law, 2000
- NKU Faculty Senate Service Award, 1998

Paula Tejeda

Education: M.L.S., University of Puerto Rico, 1974,
B.S. University of Puerto Rico, 1969

Current Position: July 2004 to present: Associate
Law Librarian/Head Technical Services, Charleston
School of Law, Charleston, South Carolina.

Previous work experience:



1974 to 1981 – University of Puerto Rico, Mayaguez Campus – Head of Cataloging, Periodicals Collection and Gift and Exchange Departments

1981 to 1985 – Gulf & Western Americas Corporation, Dominican Republic. Librarian supervising four special libraries.

1985 to 1986 – Florida International University, Miami, FL working on a special project verifying and updating serials titles holdings.

1986 to June 2004: Associate Law Librarian for Administration and Technical Services, St. Thomas University Law Library, Miami Florida in charge of supervising Technical Services and assisting with the library administration.

revision of the definitions of serials titles/subscriptions and part 1 of the ABA Questionnaire.

TS-SIS Education Committee 2005/06

SEAALL Membership Committee 1993/94 to 1994/95

SEAALL Registered Agent 1995 to 2004

Member SEAALL 2002 Local Arrangements Committee/Chair of the Registration Committee.

Active member of several Southeast Florida Library Information Network Committees and working groups, including Production Manager for their Serials Union List during years 1991 to 2004.

President Dade County Library Association 1996/97 to 1997/98

Memberships and Committees involvement:

Active member of the Association of American Law Libraries (AALL), Southeastern Association of American Law Libraries (SEAALL), Association of Caribbean University Research and Institutional Libraries (ACURIL)

AALL

TS-Serials SIS Chair of the TS-SIS Serials Special Committee on Statistics from 1992 to 1994 - working on a revised definition of Serials Title/Serials Subscription

OBS SIS Executive Board –1996/97 to 1997/98.

TS-SIS Acquisition Committee

July 2005 to present Member of the subcommittees working on a second

Presentations:

Coordinator: *Who's Counting? Who Cares? Delivery the Message with Statistics*, AALL 1996 Annual Meeting.

Coordinator/Moderator: *Who's Counting? Who Cares? Revisiting the Statistics Issue*. AALL 2005.

Jennifer E. Sekula

Current Position: Senior Reference Librarian / Foreign & International Law Specialist, College of William & Mary School of Law

Education: MSLS, Catholic University of America, Washington, DC, 2002, JD, Vermont Law School,



1998, Master of Studies in Environmental Law, *cum laude*, Vermont Law School, 1998, BS, the College of William & Mary, Williamsburg, VA, 1994

Professional Memberships and Service:

AALL 1999-

- Memberships: FCIL-SIS, CS-SIS, GenX/GenY Caucus

I'Anson-Hoffman Inn of Court 2005-

SEAALL 1999-

- Scholarship Committee, 2004-2008
- Nominations Committee, Chair, 2003-2004
- Education/Publications Committee, Chair, 2002-2003
- Program Committee, 2001-2002

VALL 1999-

- Handbook Editor, 2005-
- Program Committee, 2005-2006

Presentations:

AALL Annual Meetings

- "Legal Research Meets Darwin: The Origin and Evolution of Research Courses at Two Law Schools," 2002

I'Anson-Hoffman Inn of Court

- Forthcoming: "Civility and Decorum in the Practice of Law: Ethical Considerations," January 2007 (working title; presentation to members of the bar and bench)

SEAALL Annual Meetings

- "Advanced Legal Research: Taking Legal Bibliography to the Next Step," 2003
- "Everglades Evermore?" (Researching Environmental Law Pertaining to the Everglades), 2002
- Moderator/Coordinator, "From Technical Services to Customer Services: Improving Workflow Without Reinventing the Wheel," 2002
- Moderator/Coordinator, "Records and Briefs on the Web," 2002

VALL Annual Meetings

- "Researching Environmental Law in Virginia," 2002

Virginia Library Association Annual Meetings

- "Researching Environmental Law," 2003 (presented at joint VLA/VALL meeting)

Publications:

- *Nothing Dismal about It: Researching Environmental Law without Getting Swamped*, 54(5) Virginia Lawyer 43 (December 2005)
- *Treatises, Manuals, and Form Books*, in A GUIDE TO LEGAL RESEARCH IN VIRGINIA (5th ed. 2005) (with Christopher Byrne and Fred Dingley)
- USING THE LAW LIBRARY: YOUR GUIDE TO LEGAL RESOURCES IN (AND OUTSIDE) THE LAW LIBRARY (3d ed. 2004)
- *Tutoring the Tutor*, 3(1) InfoEdge 8 (Fall 2002)

Awards:



- AALL-LexisNexis/John R. Johnson Memorial Scholarship, 2002
- West Publishing's Excellence in Law Librarianship Scholarship, 2001
- SEAALL Lucile Elliott Scholarship, 2001

- Program Committee 2004, 2003, 2000, 1998
- Board Member at Large 2003 – 2005
- Scholarship Committee 2000 – 2002
- Nominations Committee 1999 – 2000
- Education and Public Relations Committee 1996-1997
- Co-Editor, Southeastern Law Librarian 1997 – 1999
- Public Relations Committee, Chair 1994 -1995

Amy B. Osborne

Current Position: Head of Public Services,
University of Kentucky College of Law Library

Education: M.S.L.S., University of Kentucky 1991,
A.B., (Geography), Morehead State University, 1986

Professional Association Memberships and Service

American Association of Law Libraries, 1991 -

- Annual Meeting Program Committee 2006-2007
- Index to Foreign Legal Periodicals Advisory Committee 2002 – 2006, Chair 2005-2006
- Awards Committee 2000– 2002

AALL Academic Law Libraries Special Interest Section, 1997 –

- Annual Meeting Middle Managers Breakfast Committee 2004 - 2006, Chair 2004 – 2005
- Public Relations Committee, Chair 2002 - 2004

Southeastern Chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries 1991 -

- Membership Committee 2005 – 2006
- Chapter VIP Committee 2004 – 2005

Ohio Regional Association of Law Libraries 1997 -

- Annual Meeting Local Arrangements Committee 2000
- *Kentucky Legal Research Manual*, Co-authored with Kurt X. Metzmeier and Shaun Esposito
- Introduction and Overview of Kentucky Administrative Law, in *Kentucky Administrative Law*, Co-authored with Kevein Bucknam
- *EISIL: A Gateway to International Legal Information on the Internet*, Legal Information Management 5 (Autumn 2005)3: 161 – 171
- *Baseball and the Law: A Selected Annotated Bibliography: 1990 -2004*, Law Library Journal 27 (Spring 2005): 335 – 370.
- EISIL (Electronic Information System for International Law) Author of categories on States and Groups of States, <http://www.Eisil.org>
- *Matching Research to Students: Creating Your Own PR Moment* Kentucky Libraries 63 (Winter 1999) 4.



Presentations

- Coordinator – KLA Academic Libraries Section Program featuring Billie Jo Kaufman
Law Libraries/ Bluegrass Medical Libraries Joint Meeting
- “Navigating the Maze of U.S. Treaty Research: Strategies for Finding Treaties, Treaty Actions and Interpretive Materials” Co-presenter, 2005 AALL Annual Meeting.
- “EISIL: A Gateway to Legal Information on the Internet” 2005 Annual Study Conference, British and Irish Association of Law Librarians.
- Coordinator – “Site Licenses in Law Libraries: the Good, the Bad, and the Ugly” 2004 SEAALL Annual Meeting
- “Managing and Encouraging Student Workers” Panelist, 2004 Kentucky Library Association Annual Conference.
- Coordinator – “Equine Law Research” 2003 SEAALL Annual Meeting
- “Crossing Borders: The Integration of International Documents into Reference Service” Co-presenter, 2003 Kentucky Library Association Annual Conference.
- “Manao a Mano: Technical Services and Public Services” 2002 SEAALL Annual Meeting.
- Coordinator – Kentucky Library Association Special Libraries Section Program featuring Kee Malesky of National Public Radio
- “Meeting Publication Requirements” 2001 AALL/CONALL Program
- “The Role of the Academic Librarian” Panelist, 2001 Lexington Association of
- Coordinator – “Librarians in Strange Lands” 2000 SEAALL Annual Meeting
- “Teaching, Training and Whatever Happened to Reference” Panelist, 1998 SEAALL Annual Meeting
- Coordinator – “Technology, the Library and the MIS Department” 1998 SEAALL Annual Meeting

Timothy Alan Lewis (Tim)

Current Position: Director and State Law Librarian, Alabama Supreme Court and State Law Library

Education:

M.L.S., 1983, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa,

J.D., 1984, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa,

B.A. (English Literature), 1979, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa

Professional Association Service and Memberships:

American Association of Law Libraries (AALL), 1984-

Member, Legal Information to the Public Committee, 1988

Member, Grants Committee, 2003 - 2005

Member, Council of Newsletter Editors, 2001 - 2003

State Court and County Law Libraries Special Interest Section, 1984 -



Executive Board, 1999-2000.

Member, Program Committee, 1991.

Southeastern Chapter of AALL (SEAALL), 1984-

Chair, Local Arrangements Committee, Annual Meeting (Montgomery), 2004

Member, Program Committee, Annual Meeting (Charleston), 1986

Law Library Association of Alabama (LLAA)

President, 1993-94

Member-at-Large, Executive Committee 1991, 2006-07

Alabama Library Association (ALLA)

Treasurer, 2002-2004

Chair, Local Arrangements, ALLA Convention Committee, 2004

Centennial Campaign Committee, 2002-04

Chair, Local Arrangements, ALLA Convention Committee, 2001

Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) Advisory Committee, 1998- 2004

Chair, Publicity Committee, ALLA Convention Committee, 1988

Moderator, Law Librarians Roundtable, 1988-89

Montgomery County Library Association

Coordinator, Library Resource Sharing Roundtable, 1995-1996

President, 1985-87

University of Alabama Library School Association

“Advantages and Disadvantages of CD ROM.” General Practice Seminar, Alabama Trial Lawyers Association, Dothan, AL. November 13, 1993.

“Dialogue with a Library School.” Panel Discussion, SEAALL Annual Meeting, Tuscaloosa, AL. March 1991.

“Law Librarianship.” Meeting, Mobile Law Librarians Association, Mobile, AL. July 31, 1990.

“Shepard’s Citators.” Access-To-Courts Training Seminar. Alabama Department of Corrections. Draper Correctional Facility. October 29-31, 1986.

Publications:

A Foot in the Door. *Alabama State Bar Addendum.* February 2004

Myth Information: CD ROM and legal research. 54 *Alabama Lawyer* 114 (March 1993).

The Law...Should be Accessible to Every Man at All Times. 54 *Alabama Lawyer* 22 (January 1993)

Book Review, 10 *Legal Information Alert* 11 (1991) (reviewing Devitt & Blackmar, Federal Jury Practice and Instructions, 1991)

Book Review, 5 *Legal Information Alert* #10 (November/December 1986) (reviewing Grand Jury Law and Practice 1986)

L. Kitchens and T. Lewis, Alabama Practice Materials: an annotated bibliography 82 *Law Library Journal* 703 (1990)



SEAALL ELECTION 2007: AMENDMENTS

Submitted by Pam Deemer

People keep referring to the SEAALL Executive Board, when the proper name, according to the SEAALL Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws, is the Executive Committee. Rather than continuing to go against general usage by our members, the majority of the amendments presented are to change "Executive Committee" to "Executive Board" wherever it appears in the Articles and the Bylaws.

There are also some "housekeeping" amendments. A couple of places were overlooked for amendment last summer in St. Louis in the vote to allow electronic notification of the officers slate and amendments and the actual balloting. The AALL Articles and Bylaws Committee Chair was consulted and said we could still go ahead with electronic notification and balloting and that these added amendments regarding electronic notification and voting would be to keep things tidy. The amendments added this summer were sufficient for implementation of electronic notification and voting this election.

This year's Nominating Committee brought to the Articles and Bylaws Committee's attention that the wording for Bylaws Art. III. Nominations and Elections, Sec. 1a was vague as to whom the Nominating Committee was to present the slate of officers by December 1. When we looked at the handbook calendar for the Nominating Committee and the deadline for the SEAALL newsletter, it was plain it was the membership.

Old terms are struck through and additions are underlined.

SEAALL ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION AMENDMENTS

ARTICLE VI: Officers. Section 1.

... In the event that the president resigns prior to the completion of a regular term, or is otherwise unable to perform the duties of the office in the judgment of the Executive ~~Committee~~ Board, the vice-president - president elect shall automatically ...

The special elections could be held by electronic means or mail or at the next Chapter meeting, at the discretion of the Executive ~~Committee~~ Board.

(Also move to follow paragraph on the replacement of the vice-president by special election)

In addition to correcting the electronic balloting oversight and changing "Committee" to "Board", moving this paragraph to follow after the paragraphs stating the requirements of special elections for incomplete terms of the president and vice-president would make this section hang together better. Right now this paragraph follows the paragraph about the appointment of the secretary or treasurer in case the elected ones cannot complete a term of office.

ARTICLE VII: Board of Trustees. Section 1.

...The Board of Trustees shall be the Executive ~~Committee~~ Board of this corporation and shall have general supervision, management and control of the business, affairs ...

ARTICLE XII: Amendment of Charter

Amendments to the charter may be proposed by the Executive ~~Committee~~ Board or by a petition signed by ten percent (10%) of the members.

BYLAWS AMENDMENTS

ARTICLE I: Membership. Section 1. Membership Categories

a. Individual Members



... The Membership Committee's ruling may be appealed to the Executive Committee Board.

b. Student Members

... The Executive Committee Board is empowered to adopt procedures for verifying student status.

c. Institutional Members

... The Executive Committee Board is empowered to determine whether the institution applying for membership is a law library...

d. Associate Members

... residing outside the region may be selected to associate membership by the Executive Committee Board and shall pay annual dues.

ARTICLE II. Meetings. Section 1. Annual

An annual meeting of the Chapter shall be held at such time and place as the Executive Committee Board shall determine. A Chapter meeting shall be held at AALL National Conventions, when the Convention schedule permits, for the purpose of discussing future programs and projects and submitting progress reports on Chapter activities. The Executive Committee Board shall be charged with the duty of scheduling and making arrangements for such meetings; and attendance at these meetings shall not be confined to the Executive Committee Board, but extended to the entire membership.

Section 2. Other

The president shall call other meetings of the Chapter as deemed necessary or when requested to do so by the Executive Committee Board...

Section 5. Rules of Procedure

Meetings of the Chapter and Executive Committee Board shall be conducted in accordance with Sturgis' Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure ...

ARTICLE III. Nominations and Elections. Section 1. Elections

a. The president shall appoint a nominating committee who shall submit to the members the names of the candidate or candidates for each of the following offices by December 1 in the year which the officer is elected

Section 2. Special Elections

b. Nominations for Special Elections

Candidates for this special election will be selected by the Executive Committee Board.

c. Method of Election

At the discretion of the Executive Committee Board, the special election may be held ...

ARTICLE IV. Amendments to Bylaws. Section 1. Filing and Notice

a. Ballots

...The Executive Committee Board must specify the time for closing the balloting, but in no case shall it be less than 30 days after the providing of the ballots.

Section 3. Successful Elections.

If two-thirds of the members present and voting at a meeting or two-thirds of the members casting valid electronic or mail ballots are in favor of such amendment, it shall stand adopted.



SEAALL FINANCIAL STATEMENT

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OPENING BALANCE **\$65,499.44**

RECEIPTS

Membership renewals

Associate	80.00	
Individual	280.00	
Institutional		2,160.00
Student		<u>30.00</u>
Subtotal		<u>\$ 2,550.00</u>

Total Receipts **\$ 2,550.00**

Working Balance **\$68,049.44**

EXPENSES

AALL 2006 annual meeting

Reception and meeting rooms	\$3,477.92	
Reimbursements (Klinefelter, Maxwell)		\$ 107.73
Subtotal		<u>\$ 3,585.65</u>

Contributions, Hurricane relief for

Alabama, Louisiana, Florida, Mississippi library assns.	\$4,238.40	
Reimbursements, General (University of Richmond, By-laws mailing)		\$449.86
Tax exempt corporation return, preparation		<u>\$435.00</u>

Total Expenses **\$ 8,708.91**

CLOSING BALANCE **\$59,340.53**

Bank of America CD **\$3,399.65**

Fidelity Investments **\$5,801.40**

TOTAL ASSETS **\$68,541.58**

Note: Since the close of the quarter, the two SEAALL Student Scholarships were awarded, totalling \$2,200.00, and the Chapter Liability Insurance premium, \$576.00, was paid.



Who the Heck is Lucil(l)e El(l)iot(t) and How Do You Spell Her Name?

by Joyce Janto

Quite simply, Lucile Elliott is one of our founding mothers. As Director of the Law Library of the University of North Carolina, she invited 10 librarians (from four law libraries) from the state of North Carolina to a meeting in Chapel Hill in 1937. This meeting resulted in the forming of the "North Carolina Law Librarians." In 1938, group expanded into South Carolina and became the "Carolina Law Librarians" It was in 1954 that the name was changed to the "Southeastern Chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries" aka "SEAALL."

And what's with the confusion over the name? Over the years, the spelling of Lucile Elliott has varied from one issue of the "Southeastern Law Librarian" to the next. Sometimes it was Lucile with one l, sometimes Lucille with 2 l's. The spellings of Elliott were worse. Sometimes it was Elliott with 2 l's and 2t's. Other times it was, Elliot, or Eliott, and once, Eliot. So, what is a good librarian to do? Research of course. The first mention of Lucile Elliott I found was in an article published in the *Journal of Higher Education* that mentioned Miss Elliott's work at Chapel Hill. Then I found citations to two articles written by Miss Elliott in *Law Library Journal* And finally, a citation to an article Miss Elliott wrote in the *UNC Law Review*. I figured that since these articles were not only written by Miss Elliott and published within her lifetime, that they must be the correct spelling of her name.

Now, why is all of this important? Because in 1964, to honor this outstanding member of our profession, SEAALL established the Lucile Elliott Scholarship. The purpose of the Scholarship is quite broad. According to the terms, the money awarded may be used for "any purpose reasonably designed to

improve one's career in law librarianship." While it is true that preference is given to applicants who wish funding to attend the SEAALL Annual Meeting, other worthy causes have been funded. Last year, funding was approved for a librarian to attend a course on rare books held at the University of Virginia.

The SEAALL Scholarship Committee is now seeking applicants for the Lucile Elliott Scholarship. The deadline for the applications is February 17, 2007. Applications can be found on the SEAALL webpage at: www.allnet.org/chapter/seaall/scholarship/index.htm

From the Editor:

This is your newsletter so please submit articles, share library and technology news and suggestions for articles. I need your feedback to make this the newsletter that you want and deserve so please forward articles, comments, or suggestions to smith-butler1@nsu.law.nova.edu . Thanks!





Make Plans to Attend the 2007 SEAALL Annual Meeting

by Rita Parham and Melanie Sims

After waiting a year due to Hurricane Katrina, BRAALL, the Baton Rouge Area Association of Law Libraries, and NOALL, the New Orleans Association of Law Librarians chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries, are ready to serve as hosts for the SEAALL, Southeastern Chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries, 2007 Annual Meeting. Beginning Wednesday, April 11th, and running through Saturday, April 14th, the meeting's theme is *Mystic Krewe of SEAALL* and will be held at the Sheraton Baton Rouge Convention Center Hotel, 102 France Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Krewe, pronounced "Krewe (kroo)," is associated with Mardi Gras and the members of organizations that participate in the annual parades and carnivals; it is a group organized for civic and social purpose. The Krewe of SEAALL is composed of members from Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Puerto Rico, Tennessee, Virginia, United States Virgin Islands, Washington, D.C., and West Virginia.

The pre-conference SEAALL Institute, *Law Librarians and Legal Technologists; Building Synergies in the New Internet Age*, will be held Thursday, April 12, 2007, at the Sheraton Baton Rouge Convention Center Hotel.

The Louisiana members of the SEAALL Krewe are busy planning an awesome meeting with excellent accommodations, programming, and entertainment.

Meeting Overview

Baton Rouge Welcome

An old fashioned Baton Rouge welcome with

hugs and the traditional inquiries about health and family are waiting for you when BRAALL, Baton Rouge Area Association of Law Librarians and NOALL, New Orleans Association of Law Librarians, a chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries, greet their SEAALL, Southeastern Chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries, guests, members, and friends in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Wednesday, April 11, 2007 through Saturday, April 14, 2007. The Sheraton Baton Rouge Convention Center Hotel, 102 France Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802, will be your home away from home in one of Baton Rouge's newest full-service downtown hotels with 300 guest rooms/suites accommodations.

The Sheraton is located in short walking distance of wonderful downtown attractions:

- * Belle of Baton Rouge Casino;
- * Baton Rouge River Center;
- * USS KIDD Naval Museum;
- * Louisiana Art & Science Museum;
- * Irene W. Pennington Planetarium; and
- * the beauty of the mighty Mississippi River.

Local restaurants are plentiful in this area as well.