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Letter to Committee Members enclosing SEAALL membership brochure, September 19, 1989

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Enclosed are copies of the SEALL membership brochure which were omitted from your earlier packet. Also, I listed incorrect dates for the Oxford meeting. The correct dates are April 5-7, 1990.
Why Join?

► The opportunity to meet other librarians in your region with whom you share the same concerns and problems.

► The Lucile Elliott Scholarship, awarded annually to several librarians for purposes reasonably designed to improve professional knowledge and advance a career in law librarianship.

► A quarterly newsletter containing articles, membership news, and notice of upcoming Association events.

► A membership directory to promote networking with other members.

► A placement service.

Mail check and application to:

SEAALL SECRETARY
Ms. Sue Roach, Chair, Membership Committee
Office of the Judge Advocate General
Law Library, Room 9S47
Department of the Navy
200 Stovall Street
Alexandria, VA. 22332
What is SEAALL?

The Southeastern chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries (SEAALL) is an active professional organization composed of people from all areas of the legal community who have an interest in law librarianship and provide legal information services to those who request them. SEAALL seeks to promote law librarianship and to develop and increase the usefulness of law libraries, particularly in the Southeastern United States. The Chapter provides a forum for the exchange of ideas and problem solving. Annual spring institutes are held to address topics of interest to librarians in the Chapter. A quarterly newsletter is produced to inform the membership of recent developments in law librarianship and to provide a forum for the exchange of ideas and expertise in matters such as cataloging, administration and reference services.

The Southeastern region includes Puerto Rico, and the states of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia.

Application: June 1, 19____ to May 31, 19____

Name ______________________________________
Address ______________________________________
Telephone ______________________________________

Type of Membership:

☐ Individual This extends to any person connected with a law library and follows the person if he/she changes libraries. DUES: $10.

☐ Associate This extends to any persons, companies and institutions not connected with law libraries, residing in or outside of the Southeastern region, or connected with law libraries but residing outside of the region. An Associate member may not vote. DUES: $10.

☐ Institutional This extends to the library or firm which in turn may designate any member of its staff. Since this membership lies with the institution rather than the person, designated members may change as staff changes. DUES: $10 per designated member with a maximum of $100 per institution.

List members below:
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Make checks payable to: Southeastern Chapter AALL.
Points to be covered in Chapter Brochure
(Target Audience - Library Schools)

I. Explain SEAL organization
   - organization of librarians who are employed
     in court, law firm, corporate, law departments,
     and law school libraries.
   - membership encompasses over 500 individuals
     from eleven southeastern states & Puerto Rico
     (Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky,
     Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina,
     South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia & West Virginia)

II. Advantages of belonging to SEAL
    (what SEAL can do for you)
    - annual meetings addressing current topics
    - post meeting institutes
    - placement activities
    - networking/contact opportunities
    - scholarships
    - quarterly newsletter

III. Statistical/Informational Material
    - list each library school in SEAL Region
      & give data on # graduates in law libraries
    - # law libraries in the region
    - law librarianship a diverse & challenging specialty
      + cutting edge of information management/technology
      + among first to perform full text database searching
      + computerization of law firms results in law schools
      establishing computer labs, supervise experienced
      librarians

(over)
+ Law firm librarians assuming management responsibilities (Records Manager or Info Systems Manager)

+ Law librarians organize the info resources of the library & designs services to meet needs of its patrons

+ Need good background in general reference sources & management techniques. Specific knowledge of legal materials more often result of "on the job training."
Points to be covered in Brochure—targeted for library schools

I. Explain SEALLL organization:
   "organization of librarians who are employed in court, law
   firm, corporate law department,
   and law school libraries."
   Membership encompasses over 300 individuals from
   the "Southeastern States & Puerto Rico":

II. Advantages of belonging to SEALLL

   * annual meetings
   * post-meeting institutes
   * placement activities
   * networking/contact opportunities
   * quarterly newsletter

III. Statistical Material—School

   * list each library school in
     SEALLL Region—data on # of
     graduates in law libraries
   * # of law libraries in the region

   * law librarianship on cutting edge
     legal information management/technology
     —among first to perform
     full-text database searching
     (Lexis system early 1970's)
   —in response to computerization
     of law firms—law schools establish
     computer labs which librarians supervise
     & do training
- Law firm librarians assuming additional responsibilities in managing (Records Manager or Info Systems Manager)

- Specific knowledge of legal materials more often result of "on the job training". Good background in genealogical sources & manage techniques is valuable.

- Law librarians organize the library resources of the library and design services to meet needs of its patrons.
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University of Kentucky Law Library  
Law Building  
Lexington, KY 40506