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EDITORIAL

At the June AALL Convention in Rochester, I attended the LEXIS users group meeting. It was extremely well attended, which was a good sign. Many people were so interested in the group that they volunteered (another good sign) to chair various sub-groups such as a directory of LEXIS users: Fred Smith of U.C.L.A. Law Library is chairing the Clearing House for major problems, complaints and systems improvement of LEXIS. Charles Dyer of Univ. of Missouri at Kansas City and Tom Steele of S.M.U. Law Library in Dallas, are leading the Vendor Relations Task Force, which will concern itself with pricing contracts, while Bob Grundy of the University of Houston Law Library is compiling a bibliography of research projects being done on the use and application of LEXIS. John Christensen of the University of Texas Law Library is still retaining over-all supervision of the entire LEXIS group.

One of my biggest gripes about LEXIS is its refusal to treat U.S. Supreme Court decisions any different than opinions of the lowest District Court. Mr. Heilesen of LEXIS acknowledged this fact at 3 SELL 62. A perfect example of my "beef" is LEXIS' handling of the BAKKE decision. When it was first announced in June, while we were in Rochester, people went to the computer to try to read the full text immediately. Alas it was not in the LEXIS data base on July 3rd, when the U.S. LAW WEEK version appeared. It was not in the LEXIS data base when a non-legal periodical, THE CHRONICLE OF HIGHER EDUCATION printed the full text. Said periodical was in our hands on July 5th. It was not in their data base on July 11th. After that date, I stopped searching on a daily base. The next time I looked, it was there, on July 21st. However, LEXIS BEAT Lawyers Edition 2d. The BAKKE decision appeared in their 57/2 issue, which we received on August 31st. It appeared in SUPREME COURT REPORTER (98/18) which we received on August 8th. I was Hoping that LEXIS would mend their ways after reading my editorial. Alas, I was wrong.

So that you can fill out easily Ann Butler's Committee Assignment Request Form, for this issue only, I moved the President's Page to the back of the issue. The next issue of SELL will be published in January 1979.
As of October 10th, the following three jobs are open in the South Eastern area.

**FLORIDA. ASSISTANT LAW LIBRARIAN - Univ of Miami.** Responsible for organizing and providing public service in a library of 250,000 volumes. **Requirements:** J.D. and M.L.S. degrees or substantial equivalent experience. A minimum of three years in public service and demonstrated management skills are highly desirable. **CONTACT:** Richard G. Hutchins, Law Librarian, Univ. of Miami School of Law, P.O. Box 248087, Coral Gables, Florida 33124.

**GEORGIA. ASST. PUBLIC SERVICE LIBRARIAN. Univ. of Georgia. REQUIREMENTS:** M.L.S., J.D. degree desirable, or two years experience in a law library. **CONTACT:** Jose Rodriguez, Univ. of Georgia Law Library, Athens, GA 30602.

**MISSISSIPPI. CIRCULATION LIBRARIAN - Univ. of Miss. REQUIREMENTS:** M.L.S. degree. **CONTACT:** Michael Beaird, Law Librarian, University of Mississippi, University, Miss. 38677.

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**INDEX TO LEGAL PERIODICALS**

On page 12 of the August/September issue of *JURIS DOCTOR*, there was a story relating to the dispute between the AALL and the Wilson Company over the INDEX TO LEGAL PERIODICALS. All subscribers to ILP just received a letter from Wilson announcing that they are going to begin to index twenty more periodicals soon. It should be noted that the AALL Committee on the INDEX TO LEGAL PERIODICALS Back in 1977 recommended to Wilson that these twenty titles be included. The Committee also recommended two more, LAW AND PSYCHOLOGY REVIEW and the ABA LEARNING AND THE LAW to be included. For some reason, Wilson omitted these two titles.

I hope that the Association will soon publish a statement, stating our position in this matter. You will note that in subsequent issues of ILP all references to the AALL will be eliminated. This is because the Wilson Co. refused to heed the AALL Committee's suggestions in the past few years regarding which new periodicals should be indexed and on other matters. Many face to face meetings took place between the Committee and Wilson. Because Wilson refused to listen to the AALL and the Committee, the Association withdrew our imprimatur recently.

Plans are being developed to perhaps produce another index, which will better index more periodicals than ILP. If you have any suggestions, or gripes about the ILP, please send them to Richard Bowler, Law Librarian at the University of Chicago.
This article, written by Leah F. Chanin, Directory of the Law Library and Professor of Law at Mercer University, is the seventh in the SOUTH EASTERN LAW LIBRARIAN's continuing series on state legislative information sources.

GEORGIA LEGISLATIVE INFORMATION

by
Leah F. Chanin

The General Assembly of Georgia, which consists of two bodies -- the Senate and the House, has met annually since 1945, with frequency called extra sessions. The legislature convenes on the second Monday in January and remains in session for not more than forty days, which need not be consecutive.

The Acts of the General Assembly are published within a few weeks after the completion of the session and are available in slip paper form from the Secretary of State, Ben Fortson, and from the Harrison Company as the "Advance Codification Service." Both are issued over a six to eight week period.

Upon completion of issuance the current laws and resolutions issued by the Secretary of State contain two indexes, one for general laws and one for special and local laws. The pagination is the same as contained in the bound volumes of the session laws. The two bound volumes of session laws are issued by the Secretary of State about eight to nine months after the close of the session and contain parallel tables from act number to session law citation. They are for sale by him.

The Harrison Company's "Advance Codification Service" is issued by Georgia Code annotation citation, with accompanying session law citation. Many new acts are also printed in CCH's Advance Session Law Service as well as various loose leaf services such as PH's State and Local Taxes, Consumer and Commercial Credit and Corporations.

While there is no cumulative index for Georgia Laws (The official session laws), the Georgia Code Annotated Index contains citations to uncodified session laws. Acts of local application are usually indexed under the name of the municipality, county or subject.

Georgia has very few aids for interpreting the intent of the Legislature. The only tool currently available is the Journals of the General Assembly. These House and Senate Journals, published since 1799, contain only the voting record of House and Senate members, resolutions regulating internal operating procedures, committee assignment, reports of special or interim committees, addresses of the Governor to the Legislature, summaries of bills, passage recommendations of appropriate committees on each bill and an index for that session. Current House and Senate Journals and volumes for the last few years may be purchased from the State Law Library.
Other Agencies dealing with the Legislature are the:

A) CODE REVISION COMMISSION. This Commission was created in 1977 to compile information concerning publication of a new and "official" code for Georgia, the first since 1933.

B) LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL. This office provides legal and drafting services to the Legislature and publishes a "Summary of General Statutes Enacted" at the conclusion of each session. It may be ordered from the Counsel's Office.

C) During each session, the Clerk of the House and the Secretary of the Senate distribute, at their respective offices:
   1) First reader -- a digest of bills introduced and referred to committee.
   2) Status report of bills pending.
   3) A pamphlet listing officers, members, addresses, and committees. This is available without cost from either the Clerk or the Secretary.

D) The Secretary of State issues a pamphlet containing pictures, that lists all Assembly members, commissions, committees and rules of each body.

E) Georgia Official and Statistical Register. This volume is issued biannually by the Department of Archives. It contains extensive information about Georgia government, a calendar of the General Assembly, membership biographies and pictures.

F) Georgia has a toll free telephone number, 800-282-5800, which anyone may call and obtain information about a bill or a copy of a newly enrolled statute.

Addresses:

Secretary of State of Georgia
State Capitol
Atlanta, GA 30334.

State (Law) Library
Judicial Bldg.
Atlanta, GA 30334.

Department of Archives
330 Capitol Avenue, S.E.
Atlanta, GA 30334

The Harrison Company
3110 Crossing Park
Nordcross, GA 30071
The AALL Committee on Exchange of Duplicates invites you to join its 1978-79 program to receive and/or contribute to six lists of law and law-related materials. Last year's membership totalled 189 libraries in 43 states, including Puerto Rico and over 9,700 exchange items were offered to participants.

Questionnaire responses by the membership once again indicated the legal periodical lists to be of greatest value to participants. However, this year, three other categories of materials will be listed as well: general compilations of federal court reports, West's regional reporters, and State reports of highest and intermediate level appellate courts (Official).

The cost for a subscription is $15.00, payable to AALL Exchange of Duplicates Committee. You need NOT be a member of AALL to join. Further information is available from:

Gayle S. Edelman, Chairperson
AALL Committee on Exchange of Duplicates
De Paul University Law Library
25 East Jackson Blvd.
Chicago, Illinois, 60604.

Statistics

Mike Beaird, Law Librarian and Assistant Professor of Law at the University of Mississippi, contributed the following chart (page 14) showing comparative statistics for various Law Libraries in the South Eastern region. He produced it for internal use, therefore, some schools were not included. This data is based upon Al Lewis' forthcoming article in Law Library Journal. Mike received permission from Lorraine Kulpa, Editor-In-Chief of LLJ, to print these figures in SELL. We believe that his figures will prove interesting to your budgetary authorities. They will save you time in producing similar charts.
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The annual business meeting of the Southeastern Chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries was held at the convention center in Lexington, Kentucky, on August 18, 1978. President Caroline C. Heriot called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. After thanking William James for arranging the annual meeting, she introduced Myron Jacobstein, President of A.A.L.L. President Jacobstein reported that the Association's financial condition was grave and that a committee was studying the situation. One economy already approved was the reduction in the number of pages in the Law Library Journal. Now that the membership of the Association is so large, it is impossible to assign all members to a committee; committees must be small in order to be most effective. He reported that the task force on networking had published its report and that a committee was now considering its implementation. He urged law library representation in the White House Conference on Libraries and Information Services and in the state preconferences. He concluded by reminding the members of the meeting in San Francisco next year.

The reading of the minutes of the last meeting was dispensed with since they had been published in the Chapter newsletter. As there was no old business, the President called for new business. She reported that the scholarship fund provided by the last institute was depleted. Lamar Woodard, the Secretary-Treasurer, announced that there would be funds in the treasury which could be used for scholarships, the exact amount not then determinable since all bills had not been received. William James pointed out that no provision had been made for the Chapter to share in the profits or losses of the current meeting with the Southeastern Conference of the Association of American Law Schools. Kathleen Price recommended that the Chapter establish a policy concerning the time and place of institutes. In the discussion which followed Michael Richmond favored raising dues in order to provide for scholarship funds and continuing the institutes for the same reason. He indicated that he was in favor of meeting with the law teachers. Mary Oliver pointed out that holding the institute at the time and place of the joint meeting saved travel funds, and that it was important for law school librarians to attend professional meetings with other faculty. Anne Butler stated that law firm librarians have difficulty justifying the attendance at law teachers' meetings.

Mary Oliver moved that the Southeastern Chapter continue to hold its annual meeting at the same time and place as the Southeastern Conference of A.A.L.S.; that the Chapter institute be held immediately before or after that meeting; and that financial arrangements for the institute be separate from those of the annual meeting. Kathleen Price seconded the motion. In the discussion which followed, William Younger questioned the holding of the institute so soon after the annual A.A.L.L. meeting. Robin Mills pointed out that one of the purposes of the Chapter was to provide for participation on the part of librarians who do not attend the national meetings. The advantage of having a joint banquet and reception with the law teachers and the fact that separate registration fees would simplify the financial arrangements, was pointed out by Kathleen Price. At the conclusion of the discussion the members present voted to adopt the motion.
The President then brought to the attention of the membership the need for a Chapter archive. Kathleen Price moved that Lamar Woodard be appointed Chapter Archivist. The motion was seconded by Mary Oliver. There was no discussion, and the motion carried. Whereupon the President appointed Lamar Woodard the Chapter Archivist, noting that it was an administrative appointment. Lamar Woodard agreed to accept the appointment.

Lamar Woodard then moved that the Chapter offer three, $200 scholarships to attend the next A.A.L.L. annual meeting. The motion was seconded by Michael Richmond and carried without opposition.

The President announced that the Chapter meeting next year will be in Mississippi, and that she was extending an invitation to meet in Williamsburg in 1981.

Mary Oliver, a member of the A.A.L.L. committee monitoring the progress of the White House Conference on Libraries and Information Services pre-conferences, asked that she be advised of local developments of interest to her committee.

As there was no further business, the new Chapter officers were introduced: Anne Butler, President; Robin Mills, Vice President-President Elect; and Frances Hall, Secretary-Treasurer. President Heriot then turned the gavel over to the new President. A vote of thanks was extended to Caroline Heriot and to Lamar Woodard for their leadership and service to the Chapter. President Butler requested the members interested in serving on committees to notify her. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Frances H. Hall
Secretary-Treasurer

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We have the following duplicates for distribution. In exchange, we would like to receive your state's session laws or Attorney General's opinions that we lack.

Gene Teitelbaum
University of Louisville

U.S. CODE CONGRESSIONAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE NEWS: Bound volumes.
NEWLY ISSUED PERIODICALS

From September 11, 1977 to October 1, 1978, the University of Louisville Law Library began subscriptions to the following 34 legal periodicals. Previously, (at 2 SELL 15, 2 SELL 23 and 3 SELL 11) we have printed such listings. If you can add any titles, please send in the name and full bibliographic information to me. The additional listing will be published in the January issue of SELL.

Gene Teitelbaum

- Advocate - A Journal of Military Defense Counsel
  Volume 10, No. 1 1978 $ 4.50
  U.S. Army
  Legal Services Agency
  Nassif Building
  Falls Church, Virginia 22041
  While this is not a new periodical, I have listed it, because for the first time, it is widely distributed.

- Advocates' Quarterly - A Canadian journal for practitioners of civil litigation.
  Volume 1, No. 1 Sept. 1977 $ 35.00
  Canada Law Book Ltd.
  80 Cowdray Court
  Agincourt, Ont. Canada M1S 1S5

- Alternative Lifestyles - Changing patterns in marriage, family and intimacy
  Volume 1, No. 3 1978 $ 30.00
  Alternative Lifestyles
  Sage Publications, Inc.
  P.O.Box 5024
  Beverly Hills, California 90210

- Antitrust (ABA section of Antitrust Law)
  Volume 1, No. 1 Winter 1978
  ABA Package Plan
  Canadian Community Law Journal
  Volume 1, No. 1 1977 $ 8.00
  Faculty of Law
  University of Windsor
  Windsor, Ont. Canada

+ Canadian Journal of Family Law
  Volume 1, No. 1 1978 $ 35.00
  Carswell Co. Ltd.
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<td>Houston Journal of International Law</td>
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THE PRESIDENT'S PAGE

Many thanks from the Southeastern Chapter to Caroline Heriot for her time and efforts in serving as Chapter President. Congratulations on a job well done! Also our thanks go to Bill James and his committee for presenting an interesting and informative program at the Southeastern Chapter meeting. Everyone certainly enjoyed the Kentucky hospitality as well. Next year the Chapter meeting will be held in Biloxi, Mississippi. Mark your calendars to attend.

The Bureau of National Affairs has offered to produce a directory of the Southeastern membership. This information will be taken from the Chapter records which we are currently trying to update. If you or anyone you know is not receiving Chapter correspondence, etc., please contact Frances Hall, Secretary-Treasurer, to verify your membership.

Also - now is the time for all interested members to come to the aid of their Chapter. It's Committee time! I am looking for anyone interested in working on a Committee for a two year term. Each chairperson will be asked to submit an annual report of the Committee's work to be published in the Southeastern Law Librarian. Therefore, all of you with ideas and the desire to contribute to and improve Chapter communications, please fill out the form provided and mail to me by November 3rd. Thanks very much.

Anne H. Butler
President, S.E./A.A.L.L.
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