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Candidates

SEAALL is proud to announce the following slate of candidates for the 2015 SEAALL Election:

Vice President / President Elect

- 🗱 Katie Brown
- Michelle Cosby

Treasurer

- Suzanne Corriell
- **ﷺ Kate Irwin-Smiler (I)**

Member-at-Large

- **Heather Casey**
- **Wendy Moore**

Process

The 2015 election will once again be hosted by AALL's Online Election System.

Polls will be open from February 2 – February 13. On the first day of the election, eligible voters will receive emails from AALL containing information about the voting process. An "eligible voter" is any member whose dues are current.

Election results will be announced to the SEAALL membership, via email, within 2 weeks of polls closing.

A special thank you to the Nominations Committee: Jason Sowards, Chair (2015), Eric Young (2015), and Sally Wambold (2015); to Kate Irwin-Smiler for providing the membership directory; and all the candidates for their dedication and willingness to serve SEAALL.

Candidates: SEAALL Vice President / President Elect



Katie Brown
Charlotte
School of Law

Having the opportunity to be on the SEAALL slate of candidates truly is an honor. My first library position was in Southern Florida. I soon learned this meant I was in "SEAALL Country". In fact, the SEAALL meeting was the first professional conference I attended as Librarian. SEAALL members and leaders have always been very open, willing to take the time to share their knowledge and extend volunteer opportunities to all members. I remember, no one even batting an eye when, I, as a brand new member, volunteered to work the registration desk at that first meeting. From the reception I received and the knowledge I gained at that first meeting and several I attended after, I knew I would be very happy in SEAALL. I also knew that I would want to continue to find opportunities to give back to the chapter that was giving me so much. Sadly, after a few years of membership, career opportunities took me out of SEAALL's region and to other AALL chapters. Although I did find some opportunities to come back into the fold as a plus one at a few of your receptions at the AALL annual meeting. In January of 2014, I began my current position in North Carolina. I am thrilled to once again call myself a SEAALL member and to potentially have the wonderful and unique opportunity to give back to the chapter in such a substantial way. I thank you all very much for considering me for this position!

More about Kathleen (Katie) Brown



Michelle Cosby

North Carolina Central
University School of Law

Thank you for considering me for the office of Vice President/President Elect of SEAALL. SEAALL has been a part of my life since my first position in law librarianship. SEAALL is such a great organization to be a part of because of our willingness to work together to make our profession stronger through volunteering, programming, and networking. I also applaud our commitment to future librarians. I have witnessed first-hand the impact that a student scholarship and a trip to the Annual Meeting can have on a budding librarian. SEAALL's commitment to furthering the field of law librarianship is commendable, and I look forward to continuing my service to SEAALL in new and exciting ways.

More about **Michelle Cosby**

Candidates: SEAALL Treasurer



University of Richmond

School of Law

I am honored to be nominated for SEAALL Treasurer. I have previously served as Treasurer for VALL (Virginia Association of Law Libraries), in addition to instituting an Auditing Committee to ensure that VALL uses its funds efficiently and responsibly. I would welcome the chance to serve our organization, and I'm confident that I can carry out the duties of SEAALL treasurer efficiently and effectively.

More about **Suzanne B. Corriell**



Kate Irwin-Smiler

Wake Forest University School of Law I would be honored to serve SEAALL for a second term as treasurer. I am as surprised as anyone else that I have typed those words. I had no intention of serving more than one term, when I first ran for treasurer, and I have no intention of serving more than one additional term. I have enjoyed my term as SEAALL's treasurer, both the opportunity to serve this fine association, and the contact it has given me with the many members I have had cause to work with over the last two years.

The most difficult part of this job is the learning curve. While the office of treasurer comes with a substantial amount of paper, it did not come with a lot of instructions. It was originally my goal to document and improve processes before turning over the office to my successor. Unfortunately because most processes are completed on an annual basis, there is little chance to document - to say little of improving - each process in the cycle. A second term as treasurer would allow me a chance to make some improvements in the existing processes and to document these processes, to give my successor treasurer an easier transition.

More about **Kate Irwin-Smiler**

Candidates: SEAALL Member-at-Large



Heather Casey

Georgetown University
Law Center

I am thrilled to be nominated for the Member-at-Large position and would be honored to serve my fellow SEAALL members. SEAALL is a truly unique organization; we're a large group but our southern hospitality shines through and ensures that when we get together, we're all willing to share our knowledge with one another. SEAALL is an organization that gives back to the community while seeking to change, for the better, the idea of what it means to be a librarian. I'm continually inspired and impressed by my SEAALL compatriots and I look forward to working with you all (y'all) as we direct the future of librarianship.

More about **Heather E. Casey**



Wendy Moore
University of Georgia
School of Law

SEAALL is a great organization with a reputation among other AALL Chapters for providing excellent professional development opportunities and networking. People miss SEAALL when they move out of the region! What makes us great? Sure, we are a large Chapter both geographically and numerically, but I think what makes us great is our collegiality and our dedication to helping each other to grow professionally. As Member-at-Large, I would work with the SEAALL Board and Committees to make certain that SEAALL addresses the expanding professional needs of our members. My library career in technical services has given me a window into how much library work has changed in the past 20 years and a motivation to help our profession evolve. I would be pleased to have the opportunity to represent members' interests on the SEAALL Board.

More about Wendy Moore

Show off your skills!

Reference Desk Question

Enjoy challenging questions, receiving excellent prizes in the mail, and having the opportunity to show everyone what you won for being the first to send in the correct answer to the *Reference Desk Question?* Of course you do! There's no fightin' it, no denyin' it, you are a librarian and it is in your nature. Now you are wondering, what do I have to do to win? Be the first SEAALL member to solve the question(s) below by:

- 1. Sending the correct answer to the question(s),
- 2. With information on where and how you found it,
- 3. To the *Southeastern Law Librarian* newsletter editor.

What will I win? A wonderful prize of course! A picture of you and your prize will appear in the next edition of the *Southeastern Law Librarian*. Are you ready? Are you excited? I thought so! Now go!

Please help us find the following case:

A personal injury claim brought by plaintiff who fell as a result of stepping on a magnolia seed pod.

Please provide a complete citation to the case in Bluebook (19th Edition) format.

Be a winner!

Congratulations to Catherine A. Deane and Mary Miles Prince of the Alyne Queener Massey Law Library at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee on being the first to thoroughly answer the Fall 2014 *Reference Desk Question*! Upon hearing the news Catherine explained this contest was entered into "entirely for the glory!!!!" What did they win (to share)? A limited edition "SEAALL Est. 1954" 16 oz tumbler with travel lid. Well done!



Correction!

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Dear Reader.

It has come to our attention at the *Southeastern Law Librarian* an error occurred in Volume 39, Issue 4 resulting in some panic, alarm, and grave concern. We wish to take this opportunity to set our readership at ease. In our last issue it was reported that the gene mutation in Scottish Folds causes their *eyes* to fold or bend forward. Upon further research and investigation it turns out that it is the ears and *not the eyes* which fold or bend forward.* Our apologies for this oversight go out to Captain Frederick "Fred" Wentworth and his human.

SEAALL Team

*If you or someone you know has a Scottish Fold with eyes that do indeed fold or bend forward, please provide the SEAALL newsletter editor with photographic evidence as our readership would be most interested in this development.

Did you hear?

Next Annual SEAALL Meeting: Lexington, KY!





The conference website for the next SEAALL Annual Meeting in Lexington, Kentucky has launched!

Registration opened Monday, December 1, 2014.

Be sure to stop by for a visit. While you are there you will be able to register for the institute, conference, and Keeneland excursion. You will also learn more about Lexington — a special place many SEAALL members call home.

We hope you'll join us for an informational institute, pleasing programs, reputable receptions, amazing activities, and Seaallsucker Social.

SEAALL Annual Meeting, Keeneland, and You

Not sure what a trifecta is? Not to worry. Look for this term and other new vocabulary in the next edition of the *Southeastern Law Librarian*. Meanwhile...

A *limited* number of tickets will be available for the Keeneland Spring 2015 Meet excursion through the SEAALL conference website. Where else can you enjoy world class Thoroughbred racing, unrivaled people watching, and delicious libations all within a National Historic Landmark? Reserve your spot today!



Paddock at Keeneland.

Opportunity!

Have something to say? Well, don't keep it hid!

Become an author in the Southeastern Law Librarian! Share your articles, notes, comments, ideas, and cocktail recipes with our part of the world. Everyone loves to see a familiar name in the SEAALL Newsletter! Contact Ryan Valentin with your proposal: ravale2@email.uky.edu



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