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Ms. Sarah K. Wiant, Chair
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Lexington, VA 24450

RE: Activities Report

Dear Ms. Wiant,

Pursuant to the requirements of accepting the Lucile Elliott Scholarship, find enclosed my report covering the SEAALL 1994 Annual Meeting. I must say I thoroughly enjoyed the experience (even though it was too short!). I wish to thank the Scholarship Committee for allowing me the opportunity to attend.

Sincerely,

Kelly E. Peterson,
Associate Law Librarian
Thanks to the SEAALL Scholarship Committee my employer, the North Carolina Central University School of Law Library, and my immediate supervisor, Law Librarian Deborah Mayo-Jefferies, I was able to attend my first SEAALL Annual Meeting. Looking back at the Meeting, I must state it was a "hit and miss" type of affair. The reception held at the Country Club was a hit. Breakfast (both days) was a miss...I'm sorry but I like eggs, bacon, sausage, pancakes, etc. Bagels and fruit is a little too light for me. Pizza Thursday night (after the reception) from Boston Pizza was a miss but the NCAA basketball tournament was a hit.

The various programs were a definite hit. Ms. Taylor terrified me when she spoke of talking catalogs and intrigued me with the term "cybarians" during the program "The Virtual Library: Technological Advances for Libraries." Mr. Danner and Mr. Saye informed and educated during their presentations concerning "Implications of Technology on Libraries of the Future." I was able to speak to both during program breaks. The Georgia State University, College of Law Library "Troupe" were not only entertaining but informative. E-Mail and the Internet are usually difficult subjects to explain and discuss. The group/troupe did an exceptional job covering the topic of E-Mail. Handouts from this program were comprehensive and much appreciated! Lunch with my daughter at the Blue Ridge Room was another hit (my lovely Wife was attending PLA in Atlanta the same time I was in Asheville). Passing on the Luncheon and Keynote Address was a definite miss, especially after I was told by several individuals the buffet was excellent and the Speaker exceptional. "Document Delivery, Copyright and Licensing" was another hit. I was able to meet Ms. Gasaway and her Associate, Mr. French, at the reception Thursday night. I had talked with Tom on several occasions but, although our Universities are only a few miles apart, I had never met him or Ms. Gasaway.

Pizza from Pastabilities late Friday night was a HIT! Highly recommended!

Early Saturday morning was a miss. I was standing outside the SEAALL Business Meeting visiting with some other slackards when my name was called as being a recipient of a Lucile Elliott Scholarship (or so I'm told...I wasn't there so I wouldn't know). Big MISS. My apologies to the Scholarship Committee, SEAALL, everyone. I guess this is one of the reasons new attendees wear those pink badges. The last meeting I attended, "What's Out There: Law-Related Resources on the Internet," was a hit. Ms. Jones did a marvelous job presenting her material. Again, a tough subject to cover. Handouts were helpful and have been used since my return to Durham.
Yes, Asheville was a true "hit and miss" event. There was not enough time to see the area and its many attractions. I missed having that opportunity. I was able to meet many individuals and hit it off with several. I picked up a considerable amount of materials by hitting on the vendors although I missed the brightly colored slinky toys. I learned many new things and should be able to utilize this newly acquired knowledge to better assist students, faculty, staff, and patrons at the N.C.C.U. School of Law Library. Thanks to the Lucile Elliot Scholarship, I was able to attend the Annual Meeting...a meeting I really did not want to miss. Thanks!

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