

**Proceedings of the 102nd Annual Meeting of  
the American Association of Law Libraries  
Held in Washington, D.C.  
July 25–28, 2009**

**General Business Meeting, Monday, July 27, 2009**

Call to Order and Introductions . . . . .	568
Adoption of the Standing Rules . . . . .	568
Adoption of the Agenda . . . . .	569
Approval of the Minutes from the 2008 Business Meeting . . . . .	569
Report on Elections . . . . .	569
Introduction of New Board Members . . . . .	569
Memorials . . . . .	570
President’s Report . . . . .	570
Remarks of the Vice President/President-Elect . . . . .	573
President’s Certificates of Appreciation . . . . .	575
Introduction and Remarks of Special Guests . . . . .	576
Treasurer’s Report . . . . .	578
Resolutions of Appreciation . . . . .	580
Other Resolutions . . . . .	581
Report of the Executive Board’s Strategic Directions Committee . . . . .	582
New Business . . . . .	583
Announcements and Adjournment . . . . .	583

**Appendix A**

Report of the Director of the Government Relations Office . . . . .	584
Report of the Executive Director . . . . .	586

**Appendix B**

Statements and Biographies of Candidates for 2009–2010 AALL Election . . . . .	591
--	-----

**General Business Meeting**  
**July 27, 2009**  
**Ballroom A**  
**Washington Convention Center**  
**Washington, D.C.**

[The General Business Meeting of the American Association of Law Libraries was called to order at 2:24 P.M. at the Washington Convention Center, Ballroom A, with James E. Duggan, President, presiding.]

**Call to Order and Introductions**

¶1 **President James E. Duggan** (Tulane University Law Library, New Orleans, Louisiana): The Chair is pleased to call to order the 2009 Business Meeting of the American Association of Law Libraries. I assume you can hear me. As of July 27, 2009, we have 3167 people registered for the 2009 Annual Meeting. The AALL bylaws, Article V, Section 3, stipulate that “a quorum for a business meeting of the Association shall consist of fifty members registered at the meeting.” The Chair observes there is a quorum.

¶2 The Chair—that’s me—would like to introduce those present at the head table, beginning on my left. Our Parliamentarian is Darlene Allen from Washington, D.C. Our Vice President/President-Elect is Catherine Lemann, State Law Librarian of Alaska, from Anchorage. Our Treasurer is David Mao, Section Head from the Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. Our Secretary is Ruth Hill, Director of the Law Library and Professor of Law at Southern University in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. And our Executive Director, Kate Hagan of Chicago.

**Adoption of the Standing Rules**

¶3 **President Duggan:** The Rules of Conduct for AALL General Business Meetings are available on the table at the back of the room. In the interest of managing today’s agenda, no member may speak for more than three minutes, and the Chair will limit discussion to no more than ten minutes on any one agenda item. The Chair will announce when time is completed.

¶4 If members wish to extend discussion beyond the allowed time, a motion to extend discussion will require passage by a two-thirds majority. Members will be given the opportunity to ask questions on individual reports after all the reports have been given.

¶5 If the Chair hears no objections, these rules for this meeting will be adopted. (No response.) Hearing no objection, these rules are adopted for the 2009 Business Meeting.

### Adoption of the Agenda

¶6 **President Duggan:** Copies of today's agenda and accompanying handouts are available in the back of the meeting room. The meeting will be recessed no later than 3:15 p.m. unless extended by vote of those members present. Are there any changes or additions to the agenda? (No response.) Hearing none, I declare the agenda adopted.

### Approval of the Minutes from the 2008 Business Meeting

¶7 The Chair is now pleased to call Secretary Ruth Hill to the podium for the approval of the 2008 Business Meeting minutes and to report the 2009 election results.

¶8 **Ms. Ruth J. Hill** (Oliver B. Spellman Law Library, Southern University Law Center, Baton Rouge, Louisiana): Thank you, Mr. President. The minutes of the 2008 Business Meeting were published in the fall 2008 issue of the *Law Library Journal*, volume 100, number 4. Are there any corrections to the minutes? (No response.) If there are no corrections, I move approval of the minutes as published.

¶9 **President Duggan:** There is a motion to approve the minutes. May I have a second?

¶10 **Voices:** Second.

¶11 **President Duggan:** Thank you. All in favor? (Chorus of ayes.) Opposed? (No response.) Thank you. The minutes are approved.

### Report on Elections

¶12 **Ms. R. Hill:** Thank you, Mr. President. The ballots for AALL's electronic election of the 2009–2010 officers and Board members were distributed to all voting members on October 27, 2008, returned by December 1, 2008, and tabulated electronically on the same day. This schedule is consistent with the AALL bylaws.

¶13 The successful candidates were: Joyce Manna Janto, Vice President/President-Elect; Marcus L. Hochstetler and Janet McKinney, members of the Executive Board. Continuing on the Board will be: Catherine Lemann, President; James E. Duggan, Past President; Ruth Hill, Secretary; David Mao, Treasurer; Carol Bredemeyer, Christine L. Graesser, Jean M. Wenger, and Sally H. Wise, Members of the Executive Board. A total of 1487 ballots were returned, and none were invalidated.

### Introduction of New Board Members

¶14 **President Duggan:** Thank you, Madam Secretary. The Chair declares the following persons duly elected by the membership and asks them to stand and be recognized: First, Joyce Manna Janto, Vice President/President-Elect. (Applause.)

Newly elected Executive Board Member Marcus L. Hochstetler. (Applause.) And newly elected Executive Board Member Janet McKinney. (Applause.)

¶15 If there are no objections, the Chair will authorize the Secretary to destroy the ballots of the 2009 election. (No response.)

### Memorials

¶16 We have been informed of the deaths of several members and friends of our Association during the past year. They are: Eileen Denner, Wendy Duggan, Sarah Frins, Francis Gates, Adele Hallam, Anna Marie Johnson, Debra A. Jones, Ruth Kessler, Wendy Percival, Harriet Richman, Victoria Santana, and Margaret Setliff.

¶17 Are there any other members or friends we should remember at this time? (No response.) Please stand and join me in a moment of silence as we remember the contributions of these individuals to our personal and professional lives. (A moment of silence was observed by the members.) Thank you. You may be seated.

### President's Report

¶18 Now for my report. I am pleased to have this opportunity to report to you on my year as AALL President. Needless to say, it has been an interesting year, both personally and professionally for me, as well as a challenging year for all of us, including AALL.

¶19 As regular readers of my presidential column in *AALL Spectrum* know, I started out my year as President with a move from southern Illinois to New Orleans to take a new job directing the law library at Tulane University Law School. Beginning a new job at the same time as becoming AALL President was perhaps not the best timing, but I've enjoyed almost every minute of the past year—although I would suggest evacuating from New Orleans for a week because of Hurricane Gustav was no picnic. Still, colleagues in Baton Rouge and Houston had it much rougher than I this past hurricane season, so I felt quite fortunate.

¶20 The theme of the educational program this year is "Innovate," and I believe we have been quite innovative in our programming, communication, and special initiatives. Paul George and his Annual Meeting Program Committee have done an excellent job putting together a conference of outstanding educational offerings that appeal to all types of libraries. Judy Gaskill and Carla Evans and their Local Arrangements Committee have certainly made us feel welcome in our nation's capital. I'd like to thank all of the members of the AALL committees this year, who worked tirelessly to accomplish their committee charges, all while holding down full-time jobs. The Association is richer because of everyone's efforts.

¶21 In particular, I'd like to mention two special committees who worked on activities that are near and dear to my heart. The first, the AALLNET Strategic Planning Committee, is working with the AALLNET Committee, Kate Hagan, and Headquarters staff to plan for the next iteration of AALLNET, our most important membership benefit and communication vehicle.

¶22 Under the leadership of Kathie Sullivan, the committee has been extremely helpful in identifying issues and necessary components of what we might call AALLNET 2.0, including expanded social networking tools, a new content management system, and improved archiving of historic AALLNET information. Look for the new AALLNET in the upcoming months.

¶23 Secondly, the Membership Recognition Special Committee, under the expert leadership of Gail Warren, proposed a series of member recognition programs designed to acknowledge and honor AALL members who have been active within the law librarianship profession and AALL. I am pleased that the Executive Board passed their proposals at our meeting a few days ago, and soon you will be seeing an expanded program of awards, badges, pins, and other insignia to recognize members for their contributions. A highlight for me will be the establishment of a AALL Hall of Fame that will honor our AALL greats in a most fitting manner.

¶24 Personally, I've had a chance to travel on behalf of AALL to some wonderful places. A note here: I originally intended to load up the slide projector with approximately 186 slides of all of my travels, but cooler heads prevailed, and I've provided just a few. (Slides were shown to the audience.)

¶25 In October, I was the Chapter Visitor for the Mid-America Association of Law Libraries in Fayetteville, Arkansas, where I had a chance to meet the keynote speaker, Elizabeth Eckford, one of the Little Rock Nine.

¶26 In December, I conveyed AALL's greetings at the International Association of Law Libraries (IALL) annual meeting in San Juan, Puerto Rico. You'll notice that there's no photo of me on the beach here, something I think we can all be grateful for. I was the chapter guest of the Houston Area Law Librarians in February, and in May spoke to the Chicago Association of Law Libraries. A definite highlight, however, was the opportunity to travel to Beijing for the China-U.S. Conference on Legal Information and Law Libraries and welcome those in attendance. Here is a photo of the opening ceremony. Me listening attentively with the translator. And a group photo. I'm the one in the middle, probably about ten people in. This conference really brought home to me the idea that we are a global network of professionals, and I look forward to perhaps seeing a second conference in the United States in the upcoming years.



President Duggan at the China-U.S. Conference on Legal Information and Law Libraries



President Duggan with Elizabeth Eckford

¶27 AALL itself has been innovative this year, launching a number of new programs and initiatives under the capable leadership of Kate Hagan. We hired a Vendor Liaison, Marian Parker, Associate Dean for Information Services and Director of the Professional Center Library, and Professor of Law at

Wake Forest University, who started in April and is already working with AALL members to increase communication opportunities with our vendor partners.

¶28 Mary Alice Baish was named Director of a reorganized Government Relations Office, formerly known as the Washington Affairs Office, and has been doing a fabulous job representing our advocacy interests here on Capitol Hill and beyond. In fact, I am happy to report that at its July meeting the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws Executive Committee approved the establishment of a committee to draft a new uniform state law, the Authentication of Online State Legal Materials Act. This important outcome was a result of our advocacy work on this subject that began with our National Summit on Authentication of Digital Information held in April 2007. (Applause.)

¶29 Among the other new programs offered to members this year include: a new Career Center on AALLNET; AALL2go Online Learning Center; other distance learning opportunities; our Leadership Academy; our Management Institute; expanded Web 2.0 tools on AALLNET; a new personal conference planner scheduler; and an updated Biennial Salary Survey.

¶30 It has been a difficult year for many law librarians, who face the economic downturn with its layoffs, furloughs, law firm restructurings, and reductions in force. The Association itself has not been immune, as we have weathered lower investment earnings, a potential drop in membership, and the possibility of lower attendance at this Annual Meeting. Despite all of these negative indicators, I am confident that all of us will bounce back and hopefully face a brighter future in the coming months and years. Again, I must mention the outstanding leadership of AALL Executive Director Kate Hagan, her staff, and a supportive Executive Board for implementing many new initiatives designed to address this economic climate, including a wiki of resources to help law librarians succeed in today's economy, dues help for unemployed members, our economic outlook survey, our annual meeting member appreciation discount, and discounted registration for other organization programs and conferences.

¶31 Finally, after over forty years in the historic Monadnock Building in downtown Chicago, the AALL Headquarters office moved last month to 105 West Adams Street, less than a block away. The move allowed us to reduce the size of our office space, while having it built to meet our specific needs. The result is savings to the Association and increased efficiency in our operations. And we have some photos to show you of the new office space. (Slides were shown to the audience.)

¶32 This is the lobby entrance, with Vanessa Castillo manning the desk there; our front office/reception area, and that's Kim Rundle. Our next photo is a conference room with a number of our staff, including Pam Reisinger, Heidi Letzmann, Celeste Smith, and Julia O'Donnell. The next is our fabulous central file location photo. We all have them all in one place, and this is a favorite part of the Headquarters office for me. Then finally, a Director's office. That's Paula Davidson, our Director of Finance. That's not really her office; it's a posed photo. But nonetheless, you get the idea of what our new office space looks like. We invite all of you to come see us. Just call first. You don't even have to call first, I guess. As long as we're open, please come up—105 West Adams Street on the thirty-third floor.

¶33 Now, in addition to the Headquarters move, we are also moving our Government Relations Office from the Georgetown Law Library to 25 Massachusetts Avenue, Northwest, which is also just a few blocks away from its current location. The new office will be housed within the National Association of Counties, which leases office space to other nonprofit groups. That move should take place in mid-August.

¶34 It has been an honor serving you as President this past year and, on behalf of AALL, I'd like to thank everyone who, through their contributions of time, expertise, donations, energy, and work, makes this Association such a joy to be part of. Thank you. (Applause.)

### Remarks of the Vice President/President-Elect

¶35 The Chair is now pleased to introduce Vice President/President-Elect Catherine Lemann.

¶36 **Ms. Catherine Lemann** (Alaska State Court Law Library, Anchorage, Alaska): Thank you, James. James is really going to be a tough act to follow, in many, many ways. I'm pleased and honored to speak to you today about my activities during the past year as your Vice President/President-Elect and to outline my plans for the coming year. First let me thank you for entrusting me with the responsibility of serving as your President. I've been working to prepare myself for all that that will require.

¶37 Populating the Association's various committees is one of the major activities of the Vice President. I realize that the process seems lengthy. In September 2008 I issued a call for volunteers. Approximately 180 people volunteered for 75 committee spots. The Appointments Committee met in Chicago in January to consider the applications. The Appointments Committee tries to carefully balance each committee's membership by type of employer, experience in the Association, geography, etcetera. I particularly wanted to provide committee appointments to newer members this year. We are extremely fortunate that so many members volunteer and, while we cannot find spots for everyone, I can assure you that the Appointments Committee takes its job very seriously. It was even more challenging this year as a few of those people who were appointed had to decline due to lack of support from their employer or, even worse, having lost employment.

¶38 I've learned even more clearly this past year that Alaska is really far away from everywhere, as I traveled to the lower forty-eight or outside the United States. I made only one chapter visit last year. In December I traveled to Denver, where I was welcomed by the CoALL Chapter, and I can assure you that Denver will be a great location for the 2010 meeting.

¶39 In May I traveled to Halifax, Nova Scotia, to attend the Canadian Association of Law Libraries (CALL) meeting. While this is usually a presidential visit, James was in Beijing, so I was fortunate enough to go to Halifax. CALL's President Anne Matthewman and the membership made me feel most welcome. The programs illustrated that the border doesn't mean our issues are different, although our language may differ at times.

¶40 In June I traveled over the Pole to the British and Irish Association of Law Librarians (BIALL) meeting in Manchester. As a much smaller and all volunteer-run conference, I found BIALl provided an interesting contrast to our large annual meeting. BIALl members were welcoming and the programs and social events were excellent. I encourage you to consider attending either CALL or BIALl.

¶41 During the 2009–2010 year, AALL will create its next strategic plan. The Executive Board Strategic Planning Committee, chaired by Jean Wenger, will be guiding the Association through the processes of examining where we are and where we want to go. There will be opportunities for all members and member entities to submit comments, and I hope that you will assist us in crafting the next plan.

¶42 I am appointing only one special committee, the Annual Meeting Review Special Committee. Chaired by Kimberly Serna of Jones Day in Houston, the committee will look at the organization of our conference; the mix of meetings, educational, and social events; and trends in conference attendance across other industries. I firmly believe that the benefits provided by our annual meeting, the face-to-face interaction, networking, education, and social events are vital to improving us individually and collectively.

¶43 As I mentioned earlier, the 2010 Annual Meeting will be in Denver, July 10 through 13. The frontier location near the Rockies inspired the theme “Summit 2010: Mapping Our Future.” Denver is an appropriate city in which to hold such a summit and discuss our future. As a fairly young city, Denver has weathered change. The city has evolved into an interesting mix of stylish venues and diverse neighborhoods. There are opportunities nearby for outdoor adventure, and Denver promotes sustainable development and is eco-friendly, a vision that should sustain the city long into the future.

¶44 The economic conditions in the country and the legal environment have recently forced changes that we might not have anticipated a year ago. How do we adapt to a future of increasingly networked institutions, technological change, and budget constraints? The 2010 Annual Meeting Program Committee, chaired by Steve Anderson, anticipates that Summit 2010 will provide the opportunity for us to learn practical insights from our colleagues who have dealt with these challenges. We can explore creative ways of envisioning libraries and consider how we can map the future.

¶45 I would like to thank James Duggan and the other members of the Executive Board, Kate Hagan and the marvelous Headquarters staff, and my colleagues at the Alaska Court System Law Library, and also my former colleagues at the Law Library of Louisiana, for their assistance, guidance, and support during the past year. Thank you again for the privilege and honor to serve you. One of my favorite benefits of AALL work has been the opportunity to meet and speak with so many members. I look forward to continuing to meet and work with the talented, diverse, enthusiastic members who strengthen and support AALL. I will strive to move the Association forward to map our future. See you in Denver. (Applause.)

### President's Certificates of Appreciation

¶46 **President Duggan:** Thank you, Cathy. Thanks to the reintroduction of a tradition by President Frank Houdek in 1997, each year the President has an opportunity to present a few special certificates of appreciation to people or organizations who have contributed to the Association or the profession in exceptional ways. This is my favorite part of the business meeting. Sadly, I have never gotten a presidential certificate of appreciation, so the next best thing is for me to give presidential certificates of appreciation. (Laughter.)

¶47 It is my pleasure this year to present several such certificates. I ask that each recipient come forward when his or her name is called, and I'm going to start first with the Headquarters staff, who have earned recognition for service milestones. Our first staff member is Christopher Siwa, Web Administrator, for his five years of dedicated service to AALL and its members. (Applause.)

¶48 Second, to Julia O'Donnell, Director of Membership Marketing and Communications, for her five years of dedicated service to AALL and its members. (Applause.) I've been smiling all afternoon. It's the most smiling I've ever done in my life, so hopefully it won't wear out the sides of my mouth. (Laughter.)

¶49 Next is Kimberly Rundle, Executive Assistant to the Executive Director, for her ten years of dedicated service to AALL and its members. (Applause.)

¶50 Our final service milestone is to Ivonne Torres and, as you can see on the photo on the screen, she is receiving this as an Accounting Assistant for her ten years of dedicated service to AALL and its members. Sadly, Ivonne is not here today, but someone has to stay in Chicago staffing the Headquarters Office. So Ivonne is there; here is a photograph with Kate Hagan and Paula Davidson. (Applause.)

¶51 The remaining certificates will be given to AALL members. When I call your name, please come forward. Remember, you must be present to win. (Laughter.)

¶52 Would Timothy L. Coggins and Darcy Kirk please come forward? (Applause.) This is for your leadership of the 2008 Joint Study Institute Planning Committee and your many contributions to the profession. I think because of dueling photos, we'll do one at a time. (Applause.)

¶53 Would Susan Lewis-Somers please come forward? (Applause.) This is for her leadership of the Developing Law Librarians for the Future Special Committee, and for her many contributions to AALL. (Applause.)

¶54 Would Janis Johnston please come forward? (Applause.) This award is being presented to both Janis Johnston and Frank Liu for their leadership of the China-United States Conference on Legal Information and Law Libraries Steering Committee. Unfortunately, Frank wasn't able to join us today, but we will send him his plaque. (Applause.)

¶55 The tension is building. Would Ann Fessenden please come forward? (Applause.) This is for her leadership and dedicated service to AALL and her advocacy on behalf of the Association and Vendor Relations. (Applause.)

¶56 Finally, would Frank Houdek please come forward? This is for his exemplary leadership, service, and dedication to AALL and for his tireless efforts to document AALL history through his many scholarly contributions. (Applause.) I think Frank has a record number of presidential certificates. You should see his office. It's got plaques out the wazoo.

## Introduction and Remarks of Special Guests

¶57 At this time I'd like to introduce four special guests from our counterpart law library associations in other countries. I'd like to introduce each of them and invite them to give us a brief greeting from the floor microphones.

¶58 First, John Botherway, the National President of the Australian Law Librarians' Association.

¶59 **Mr. John Botherway** (Federal Court of Australia, Melbourne, Australia): Thank you, James. I'd like to extend greetings from members of the Australian Law Librarians' Association and thank you for your invitation to attend this wonderful event. Past Australian attendees have told me how amazing this conference is, and it's certainly living up to my expectations.

¶60 Our smaller-scale conference will this year be held in Darwin in the Northern Territory on the 3rd and 4th of September. It would be great to see some of you there or maybe next year in Brisbane in early October, which will be a joint conference with the New Zealand Law Librarians' Association—this is the second time we've held a joint conference.

¶61 In Darwin, 2009 will mark the fortieth anniversary of the Australian Law Librarians' Association, and to mark this event we've commissioned a history which has been published by LexisNexis Australia, and that will be launched at our conference in Darwin.

¶62 We've also been working on revising our constitution this year, and we're moving towards a national membership model. The consultation process is currently underway and that will be voted upon in Brisbane in 2010.

¶63 Thank you again for your hospitality and I hope to see some of you in either Darwin or Brisbane. Thank you. (Applause.)

¶64 **President Duggan**: Thank you, John. I'd now like to ask Rosalie Fox, President of the Canadian Association of Law Libraries, to approach the microphone.

¶65 **Ms. Rosalie Fox** (Supreme Court of Canada Library, Ottawa, Canada): Thank you very much. I bring greetings on behalf of the Canadian Association of Law Libraries, L'Association Canadienne des Bibliothèques de Droit. You have a number of reasons to visit Canada, if only to do research on universal health care. I highly recommend it, and I'm sure our members would be willing to be polled on their feelings on the subject.

¶66 We have a joint conference next year with the Michigan Association of Law Libraries, who've been invited to join us in Windsor, Ontario, for our annual conference, which will be held on May 10th to 13th, with the theme of "Gateway to Justice." I think you'll find that we've got an excellent program that will cross borders and truly reflect both Windsor's gateway in the geographic sense to the United States, but also the University of Windsor's commitment to access to justice, a very early program there on social justice. So I think you'll find that a very interesting conference.

¶67 I also have flyers for the next Joint Study Institute, which will be held in Montreal, Quebec, June 20 to June 23, 2010, with the theme "Diversity, Culture, and Contrasts: Canada's Legal Kaleidoscope," and I encourage you all to join us—

not all of you, because it's not that big a conference, but as many of you as can possibly join us for that conference. I think you'll find that very interesting.

¶68 I understand WESTPAC is also going to be meeting in Canada this October in Victoria. So there are three opportunities to do face-to-face research on universal health care and official bilingualism, and we invite you all to attend and join us. I'd like to congratulate AALL on an excellent conference. It's been great so far. Thank you. (Applause.)

¶69 **President Duggan:** Thank you, Rosalie. I'd next like to call on Daniella King, President of the British and Irish Association of Law Librarians.

¶70 **Ms. Daniella King** (Winckworth Sherwood LLP, London, England): Hello, everyone. As you've just been told, my name's Daniella King and I'm the President of the British and Irish Association of Law Librarians. I'm actually quite new to the post. I was only nominated about four to five weeks ago, so I'm still sort of the new girl on the block.

¶71 I'd like to personally thank you all for inviting me here to your Annual Meeting. I was quite fortunate that I actually came two years ago to your meeting in New Orleans, so it's quite nice that I've been able to come back so soon.

¶72 BIALL also had its annual meeting about five or six weeks ago, which was in Manchester, and I can report back to say it was very well attended by both our members and also suppliers and exhibitors, which is, considering the economic climate at the moment, something that we were very happy about.

¶73 Something else we were very happy about was it was actually our fortieth anniversary, because we were founded in 1969. So that was another thing to celebrate at the conference.

¶74 I would also like to send greetings, not just from myself, but also everyone from BIALL, to wish you a very successful conference here this year. Also, we will be having our next conference in June 2010 in Brighton, so hopefully some of you will be able to come along and visit us then. Thank you. (Applause.)

¶75 **President Duggan:** Thank you, Daniella. Finally, I'd like to ask Jules Winterton, President of the International Association of Law Libraries, to come to the microphone.

¶76 **Mr. Jules Winterton** (Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, University of London, London, England): Thank you, James. It's always a privilege to attend the AALL Annual Meeting and great fun, too, which is why I keep coming back every year. Thank you for your invitation. Thank you for your hospitality. Greetings from the International Association of Law Libraries.

¶77 I want to report on our conference in December last year in Puerto Rico, which was tremendously successful thanks to Maria Otero and Pedro Padilla and their colleagues in Puerto Rico. It was a wonderful conference, not just because it's the home of the pina colada, but because they put together a fantastic academic program, with speakers from all over the Caribbean.

¶78 During the year, we were delighted, together with AALL, to sponsor the China-U.S. Conference on Legal Information and Law Libraries, which was wonderful and a historic experience. So we look forward to sponsoring again that program of conferences that will take place in the future.

¶79 Looking forward, our next annual conference is October 11th to 15th in Istanbul, courtesy of colleagues at the Istanbul Bilgi University. They're arranging a fantastic conference. When I went to visit to check up on the arrangements, I was just fascinated by the terminology that they were using, because they'd say, well, we'll go over to the European side for lunch, but we'll be back in Asia for dinner. That really emphasized the geopolitical importance of Turkey right now. That should be a fantastic conference.

¶80 Lastly, I'd like to mention, particularly for the International Association members here, because there are many members of AALL who are also members of IALL, that this coming year is election year. Don't wait for the nominations committee to come knocking on your door, but put yourself forward. Thank you for this opportunity. (Applause.)

### Treasurer's Report

¶81 **President Duggan:** Thank you, Jules. The Chair is now pleased to call our Treasurer, David Mao, to the podium for the Treasurer's report.

¶82 **Mr. David S. Mao** (Congressional Research Service, Washington, D.C.): Thank you, James. Good afternoon. I'm pleased to present to you today my second report to you as Treasurer for the Association. You may recall that last year my first report to you as Treasurer was not reported orally at the business meeting, but was distributed in written form only. So I'm especially delighted to be able to speak to you today.

¶83 My remarks today are based upon a report that was published in the May 2009 issue of *Spectrum*,<sup>1</sup> and there are copies of this report available outside the door to this room. I hope you picked one up. I won't review every detail in that print report. However, if you have any questions, Paula Davidson, AALL Director of Finance and Administration, is sitting right here in the third row; Paula and I will be happy to answer any of your questions.

¶84 As we all know, this year has been quite a year, not only for the Association, but for all of our members. So thank you very much for allowing me to serve as your Treasurer and offering your support during this past year. I also want to thank Paula, Kate Hagan, members of the Executive Board, and members of the Finance and Budget Committee for their deliberate consideration, thoughtful guidance, and able work on Association financial matters this year.

¶85 The Association's fiscal year ended on September 30, 2008, and the results of the last year were very positive. Each year the Association relies upon the Annual Meeting to generate significant revenue. I'm happy to say that attendance at the Portland, Oregon, meeting last summer exceeded our expectations and the meeting therefore generated a positive return. In addition to the revenues from that meeting, the Association's high membership retention rate, the positive performance of the Association's investment portfolio through the end of last fiscal year, and the increased revenue from publications, such as the *Index to Foreign Legal*

---

1. David S. Mao, *Strong Fiscal Year Will Sustain AALL in Tough Times*, AALL SPECTRUM, May 2009, at 8.

*Periodicals*, helped ensure that the Association ended the year with a net increase on the bottom line.

¶86 The Association manages its finances through various funds. The three major funds that help ensure financial stability and accountability are the General Fund, the Current Reserve, and the Permanent Investment Fund. The General Fund, which is the Association's primary account for paying its bills, had a ledger balance as of September 30, 2008, showing a net increase in assets. For the year, the fund reported an increase in net assets of just over \$350,000.

¶87 The Current Reserve Fund is the Association's savings account and primarily used for unforeseen circumstances. AALL must maintain a minimum balance in this fund as directed by Association financial policies. Any excess revenue over expenses in the General Fund at the end of the fiscal year is transferred to the Current Reserve Fund. As I just mentioned, the excess in the General Fund as of September 30, 2008, was just over \$350,000 and that amount was transferred to the Current Reserve Fund.

¶88 The Permanent Investment Fund, also known as the PIF, is used to generate earnings for Association programs and to increase Association assets through reinvestment and capital appreciation. Like the Current Reserve Fund, the Association's financial policies dictate the required minimum balance in the PIF. At the end of the fiscal year, any investment income from the PIF in excess of the reinvested amount can be deposited into the Current Reserve Fund. As of September 30, 2008, approximately \$60,000 was available for transfer from the PIF to the Current Reserve Fund.

¶89 Now, after determining what excess, if any, there is in the Current Reserve, the Association may use any excess to fund special projects and activities. In the past the Executive Board has voted to expend excess money from the Current Reserve Fund to support many worthwhile activities, including educational scholarships, workshops, and advocacy programs.

¶90 In February of this year, the Finance and Budget Committee met and, among other things, reviewed the status of the Current Reserve Fund. Between the end of the Association's fiscal year and the February Finance and Budget Committee meeting, however, there was, to put it mildly, an economic downturn in the United States, which had an impact on everyone, including the Association. The committee therefore recommended to the Executive Board that it adopt a more cautious approach, including the use of a more conservative risk analysis, when considering the Association's budget and planning for any allocation of excess funds.

¶91 Now, the balance in the Current Reserve Fund at the end of the fiscal year was approximately \$429,000, the excess revenue in the General Fund at the end of the fiscal year was \$350,000, and the market value of investments in the PIF that were available for transfer was approximately \$60,000. The Association's financial policies require that the minimum balance in the Current Reserve Fund for fiscal year 2009 be about \$507,000. The Finance and Budget Committee therefore recommended to the Executive Board that it approve projects worth approximately \$290,000. The committee recommended that the remaining surplus remain in the fund as a cushion. The proposals recommended for approval included: funding a management training institute, funding a leadership training program, supporting

continuing education and professional education grants, increasing scholarship funds, funding for continuing development of the web education system, and funding for continuing the AALLNET project.

¶92 At its April meeting, the Executive Board approved funding for these projects. By investing in these programs and projects, the Board hopes that the Association can continue to provide critical assistance in areas that members cite as priorities and also develop the needed infrastructure that will allow the Association to do so.

¶93 In closing, I want to thank you for your continued support of the Association. Your attendance today and at the Annual Conference shows your dedication, not only to the Association, but also to the profession, even during times of general financial uncertainty.

¶94 During the coming year, the Executive Board and the Finance and Budget Committee will continue to review, analyze, and track carefully the Association's finances to ensure that AALL remains a vibrant and strong Association that can meet and advocate for its members needs. Thank you. (Applause.)

¶95 **President Duggan:** Thank you, David. Copies of the reports of the Executive Director and the Government Relations Director are available on the tables as you entered the room.<sup>2</sup> Because of our time constraints, these reports will not be delivered from the podium. If there are any questions regarding these reports or any of the reports given today, please step now to one of the microphones. (No response.)

### Resolutions of Appreciation

¶96 At this time I will ask AALL member Darcy Kirk to come forward to a floor microphone for a resolution of appreciation.

¶97 **Ms. Darcy Kirk** (University of Connecticut School of Law Library, Hartford, Connecticut): Hello. My name is Darcy Kirk and I would like to propose a resolution of appreciation:

¶98 "Whereas, the 102nd Annual Meeting and conference of the American Association of Law Libraries, held in Washington, D.C., on July 25 to 28, 2009, was a strong educational and social success;

¶99 "And whereas, the success of AALL's 102nd Annual Meeting and conference can be attributed in large part to the contribution of many individuals and entities that give willingly of their time, energy, resources, and support;

¶100 "Therefore be it resolved: That on behalf of AALL and its members, thanks be given to the following who worked throughout the year on Annual Meeting arrangements: President James M. Duggan and the AALL Executive Board; Carla Evans and Judith A. Gaskill, Cochairs of the Local Arrangements Committee, and its members; Paul George, Chair of the Annual Meeting Program Committee, and its members; Kate Hagan and all members of the AALL Headquarters staff; all the speakers, coordinators, moderators; all those who volunteered their time and assis-

---

2. These reports are reprinted here as Appendix A, *infra*.

tance; and all of the members themselves, without whom the Annual Meeting would not have been such a success.

¶101 “Be it further resolved that, on behalf of AALL and its members, thanks be given to our gold-level sponsors, BNA Incorporated, Wolters-Kluwer Law and Business, and LexisNexis, and all our other corporate contributors who have cosponsored or sponsored events, services, or publications, or otherwise given their support to the Annual Meeting, with special thanks to LexisNexis for sponsoring the opening event.” Thank you.

¶102 **President Duggan:** Thank you, Darcy. Is there a second to that?

¶103 **Mr. Lawrence R. Meyer** (Law Library for San Bernardino County, San Bernardino, California): Second.

¶104 **President Duggan:** Larry Meyer seconds that resolution. All those in favor please say aye. (Chorus of ayes.) Thank you. That passes. (Applause.) I will now ask Jean Wenger to come forward to a floor microphone for a resolution of appreciation.

¶105 **Ms. Jean M. Wenger** (Cook County Law Library, Chicago, Illinois): My name is Jean Wenger and I would like to present a resolution of appreciation:

¶106 “Whereas, the FCIL-SIS Schaefer grant for foreign librarians provides financial assistance to ensure the presence and participation of foreign librarians at the AALL annual meeting;

¶107 “And whereas the grant was made possible by an initial \$10,000 donation made by Ellen Schaefer in August 2002, which has resulted in eight law librarians attending the AALL annual meeting from eight different countries since 2001;

¶108 “And whereas Ellen Schaefer has donated an additional \$15,000 in May 2009 to secure the future of the Schaefer grants for foreign librarians;

¶109 “Therefore be it resolved that, on behalf of AALL and its members, our thanks and deepest appreciation be given to Ellen Schaefer for her generous support of and commitment to the participation of foreign librarians in AALL annual meetings, activities, and programs.” Thank you.

¶110 **President Duggan:** Thank you, Jean. Do we have a second?

¶111 **Mr. Cornell H. Winston** (United States Attorney’s Office, Los Angeles, California): Second.

¶112 **President Duggan:** Cornell Winston seconds. All those in favor please say aye. (Chorus of ayes.) Thank you. That motion carries. (Applause.)

### Other Resolutions

¶113 If we have other commemorative resolutions or courtesy resolutions to be presented at this time, the rules established at the beginning of the meeting will apply: three minutes per person, ten minutes per item. Also, we will update the agenda with the resolutions submitted. Does anyone have a resolution of this type to present? (No response.)

## Report of the Executive Board's Strategic Directions Committee

¶114 We have received no resolutions. Therefore we will proceed with our agenda. The Chair is pleased to call Executive Board member and Chair of the Board's Strategic Directions Committee Jean Wenger to the podium for a report from her committee.

¶115 **Ms. J. Wenger:** Where do we law librarians want to be in the next three years? How do we seize the moment and make it our own? This year we will be entering the last year of 2005–2010's Strategic Directions. Next year the Association will write a new strategic plan, and I say "Association" as this will be a collective effort of members, member entities, and the Executive Board, with the support of the Executive Director and the Headquarters staff.

¶116 The role of the Executive Board's Strategic Directions Committee is in part to monitor AALL's progress on the Strategic Directions. In support of this charge, the committee will shepherd the Association through the process of creating, developing, and writing our new Strategic Directions.

¶117 No one denies that our profession faces complex challenges. Throughout the meeting we have heard about and commiserated about the situations we face. But more importantly, we have celebrated and shared our skills, talents, and professionalism.

¶118 Today the Association begins a new chapter. Strategic planning will help us focus our sights on where we want to be in the next few years. We have the opportunity to move law librarians and law libraries in vital and progressive directions.

¶119 The current plan was a five-year plan. In the spring the Executive Board met and concluded that the new plan should be of shorter duration, most probably three years, given the quickly changing environment. Our current directions are leadership, education, and advocacy. Do these need to be redefined or rewritten? Do we need to add a new direction? For these questions, the committee will be soliciting your input. I know all of you have ideas, aspirations, and probably some wish lists.

¶120 To begin the discussion, I introduced the upcoming process to the leadership training on Saturday for committees, SISs, and chapters. Today, I ask you to start talking with your colleagues here at the conference, and when you get back to your home institution begin a conversation.

¶121 In the next few months the committee will gather input from members and stakeholders. Immediately following this business meeting, Board Member Cornell Winston will moderate the Members' Open Forum and at that time, if you'd like, we can begin our discussion.

¶122 With the information gathered in the next few months, the Board will develop a preliminary plan at our fall 2009 Board meeting. After review, the proposed plan will be presented to the membership in early 2010 for additional comments. The Executive Board will then adopt the final plan at the spring 2010 Executive Board meeting.

¶123 Throughout the process, the Strategic Directions Committee and the Executive Board will be available to answer questions and to collect your input. The

Committee and the Board look very forward to working with you in the next few months and the upcoming year.

¶124 Thank you for your time this afternoon. Please enjoy the rest of the conference, and we'll be in touch. Thank you. (Applause.)

### **New Business**

¶125 **President Duggan:** Thank you, Jean. Are there any items of new business? (No response.)

### **Announcements and Adjournment**

¶126 Receiving no requests for new business, we will move to the next item on the agenda. Are there any announcements to be made? (No response.) You're a fun group. (Laughter.) We have completed all of the items on the agenda and the Chair now requests a motion to adjourn.

¶127 **Mr. L. Meyer:** So moved.

¶128 **President Duggan:** It's been moved by Larry Meyer. Is there a second?

¶129 **Mr. David McFadden** (Leigh H. Taylor Law Library, Southwestern Law School, Los Angeles, California): Second.

¶130 **President Duggan:** I'm going to recognize David McFadden as the seconder on that motion. All those in favor, please say aye. (Chorus of ayes.) All opposed, some sign? (No response.) The 2009 Business Meeting of the American Association of Law Libraries is now adjourned. (Applause.)

¶131 But don't go anywhere just yet. We hope you will stay for our Members' Open Forum, which will begin in twenty-five seconds. We would especially appreciate any comments, as you just heard from Jean Wenger, about our strategic directions planning process.

¶132 Also, in a practice initiated last year by President Ann Fessendon, Kate Hagan and I will be available to respond to questions, etcetera, at this forum. As Jean mentioned, our moderator is Cornell Winston, so I will ask him to proceed to the podium now. (Applause.)

[Whereupon the General Business Meeting was adjourned at 3:20 P.M.]

## Appendix A

### Report of the Director of the Government Relations Office

**Ms. Mary Alice Baish** (American Association of Law Libraries, Washington, D.C.): Upon returning from last year's Annual Meeting, our advocacy work picked up immediately with the July 2008 introduction of an important bill to improve funding for the Law Library of Congress, the "Charles H.W. Meehan Law Library Improvement and Modernization Act" by Rep. Zoe Lofgren (D-CA). As autumn approached, with the presidential campaign in full swing, much of our attention turned toward preparing for the new administration. Advocacy Communications Assistant Emily Feldman and I had worked with open government colleagues for well over a year, culminating in the publication of the November 2008 report titled *Moving Toward a 21st Century Right-to-Know Agenda: Recommendations to President-Elect Obama and Congress*. Delivered to Obama's transition team the day after the election, the report includes more than seventy recommendations on issues relating to national security and secrecy, usability of government information, and how to create an environment for transparency. I also met with members of the Transparency and Technology Transition Teams to discuss the importance of electronic life cycle management, including authentication and preservation. In response to our recommendations, on his first full day in office, President Barack Obama issued an important executive order to ensure the timely release of presidential records and two memoranda to encourage more transparency and accountability. We continue to work with the new administration as it develops priorities to make the federal government more transparent, collaborative and participatory. Additional highlights of our 2008–2009 work and accomplishments include the following:

#### AALL Statement to the Obama-Biden Transition Team

In December, AALL submitted a statement to the Obama-Biden Transition Team to inform the new administration and the new Congress of our core values and our ambitious policy goals for the next few years. It articulates our key positions, in accordance with AALL's Government Relations Policy, related to the importance of the public's right to access government information as a basic tenet of our democracy, the need to promote and preserve the historic balance in copyright law between rights holders and users in the digital age, and the protection of personal privacy. It lists among our key open government goals to:

- Make the government more responsible and accountable for effectively managing the life cycle of its online information, including digital authentication and preservation.
- Create a public domain citation system for federal legal information.
- Working with Congress, secure White House support to provide adequate annual funding to the Administrative Office of the United States Courts for no-fee public access to PACER.

## NCCUSL Approves Recommendation for Uniform Law on Digital Authentication

Michele L. Timmons, Minnesota Revisor of Statutes and National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws (NCCUSL) Commissioner, was among our invited delegates to the April 2007 National Summit on Authentic Legal Information in the Digital Age. At her request, last summer NCCUSL approved a study committee to determine whether it would be useful to create a uniform law to require state online legal materials, especially those considered to be official, to be authenticated and preserved. Appointed by President James Duggan, Barbara A. Bintliff participated as AALL's observer to the committee, which was chaired by Commissioner Timmons. We are very pleased that during its July 2009 conference, NCCUSL's Executive Committee approved creating a committee to draft the "Authentication of Online State Legal Materials Act."

## Support for the Law Library of Congress

In collaboration with the American Bar Association (ABA), AALL has worked for many years to raise the visibility of the Law Library of Congress and improve its funding. In June, Rep. Zoe Lofgren (D-CA) reintroduced her 2008 bill to authorize a one-time additional \$3.5 million for the Law Library and a separate line item in the federal budget. The bill has been renamed the "William Orton Law Library Improvement and Modernization Act," in honor of former congressman Bill Orton of Utah, who passed away this spring and was one of the Law Library's most stalwart champions. The bill also authorizes the creation of the "William Orton Law Library Support Program" which will allow the ABA to move forward on their fundraising efforts for the Law Library. Favorably reported by the Committee on House Administration and sent to the House floor, the bill includes a provision officially designating the Law Library of Congress as the "National Law Library."

## Copyright

AALL submitted comments to the Copyright Office, which were endorsed by the Medical Library Association (MLA) and Special Libraries Association (SLA), as part of the triennial rulemaking proceeding mandated by the "Digital Millennium Copyright Act." The rulemaking provides that the Librarian of Congress may exempt certain classes of works from the prohibition against circumvention of technological measures that control access to copyrighted works. Roger V. Skalbeck, Vice Chair-Elect of the Copyright Committee, worked with committee members and me in drafting our joint comments, which he very effectively presented during a D.C. hearing before the Copyright Office on May 6. Our request for an exemption is specifically aimed at literary and audiovisual works, usually commercially-produced, on lawfully-acquired DVDs, when circumvention is used to make compilations of brief portions of the works for educational use by faculty in law and the health sciences.

## Support for the GPO and the Federal Depository Library Program

I once again had the honor of testifying this spring on behalf of AALL, MLA, and SLA at a hearing before the House Legislative Branch Subcommittee in support of full FY 2010 funding for the U.S. Government Printing Office (GPO). I stressed the importance of approving GPO's request of \$8 million for the Federal Digital System (FDsys) in the next fiscal year. The House and Senate approved the full GPO request, with the exception that the Senate bill includes \$7.782 million for FDsys, while the House bill funds it at just \$7 million. Both bills have passed and now go to conference, where we hope to affect the outcome. Funding for FDsys is crucial to ensure that the government's electronic information will be permanently available, authenticated and versioned, preserved, and publicly accessible at no fee.

### 2009 AALL Day on the Hill

This year's advocacy training on July 24 was an overwhelming success. Seventy-eight dedicated law librarians marched to Capitol Hill last Friday afternoon for meetings with their elected representatives and staff. They successfully raised AALL's visibility and promoted our legislative priorities, building new champions in Congress for our legislative agenda. We would like to publicly thank our energetic participants for their invaluable contributions to AALL!

In the spring, we launched the *Advocacy Toolkit for the 111th Congress: 2009–2010*, a new practical guide to help both our members and chapters become effective advocates for law libraries. Along with the monthly *Washington E-Bulletin* and the *Washington Blawg*, the toolkit is an important resource to keep you updated on our work. Please follow the Government Relations link on AALLNET to learn more about these issues, take advantage of our important resources, and join our Advocacy Team.

## Report of the Executive Director

**Ms. Kate Hagen** (American Association of Law Libraries, Chicago, Illinois):

### Highlights

This Association year brought unexpected challenges as we were faced with a failing economy that negatively impacted members and the Association. Many of our members are dealing with reduced budgets, hiring freezes, furloughs, and layoffs. Members made difficult decisions and tested their creativity as they struggled to maintain service to their patrons with fewer resources. AALL has been working to meet unexpected revenue shortfalls, a reduction in our membership rolls and in attendance at our Annual Meeting.

It turned out that this year's Annual Meeting theme of "Innovate" foreshadowed what we would all be called upon to do. And that we did, as the Executive Board, committee leadership, and staff worked to increase service to members in this difficult time. In each operational area of the Association, we undertook new programs and initiatives in support of AALL's members.

### Headquarters Office Relocated

One the most significant projects undertaken this year was the relocation of the headquarters office in Chicago. AALL had maintained its offices in the Monadnock building for more than four decades, but with our lease expiring in July we made the decision to move just a block away to 105 W. Adams Street. The move allowed us to reduce the size of our office space, while having it built to meet our specific needs. The result is savings to the Association and increased efficiency in our operations.

### AALLNET Redesign

Last fall we began planning the redesign of AALLNET. AALLNET is perhaps our most important member service, and the goal of the project is to provide the necessary tools that best serve our members' needs. A brief survey was developed and distributed to the membership, and phone interviews were conducted with stakeholders in order to solicit their feedback on AALLNET. The recommendations received included implementing a content management system, improving self-service resources, and providing social networking capabilities to members and AALL entities. Based on these findings, the AALLNET Strategic Planning Special Committee began work on the new AALLNET, which we hope to debut in early 2010.

### Tools for Success in Today's Economy

In response to the U.S. recession and its impact on law libraries, in February AALL created a wiki of resources to help law librarians succeed in today's economy. On the wiki, members can find tips for operating your law library with a tight budget and advice on negotiating contracts with vendors and on how to interview effectively for your next job, as well as a conversation about the AALL Competencies of Law Librarianship. AALL members have signed up and added new material to the wiki, so the resource continued to grow throughout the year.

### Dues Help for Unemployed Members

To help in these tough times, AALL offered a discounted membership rate for AALL members who are recently unemployed. The discounted membership appears online and in all public records simply as an "Active" membership but is billed at the student/retired rate (\$55 instead of \$218). Unemployed members were also offered a discounted rate for the AALL June webinar, *Preparing for the Next Step in your Career*.

### New Career Center on AALLNET

This new and improved online job board, which launched July 16, allows job seekers to upload resumes and provides greater search capabilities for both job seekers and job posters, including e-mail notification when jobs or resumes are posted that would interest the job seeker or employers. The Placement Committee worked to develop this site as part of a new AALL Career Center, which includes

career resources, such as the *AALL Salary Survey*, Economic Status of Law Librarians Toolkit, and the Placement Committee's web site.

### **AALL2go Online Learning Center**

Featuring online access to the AALL Annual Meeting program recordings, as well as archived webinars, audio recordings, and video recordings, AALL2go will offer members access to continuing education 24/7. In addition advanced search capabilities will allow members to focus on key areas of interest with maximum flexibility. AALL2go will be available by mid-August 2009.

### **Economic Outlook Survey**

In mid-March 2009, AALL conducted a survey of law library directors to understand how the current economic crisis is affecting the profession. The survey was intended to help determine how widespread the effect was on law library staffs of layoffs, furloughs, reduction of benefits, or budget cuts. More than four hundred members responded, for a thirty-four percent response rate. AALL published the full results of the survey, as well as examples of what law libraries are doing to cope with the current economic situation, on the AALL Tools for Success wiki.

### **Distance Learning Opportunities**

In response to member suggestions and in an effort to make continuing professional education more affordable and accessible, the Continuing Professional Education Committee held monthly webinars on topics ranging from budgeting in hard times to negotiation techniques.

### **Leadership Academy and Management Institute Offer Leadership Skills**

This year the Leadership Academy and Management Institute were held, aimed at increasing leadership skills for law librarians. Both the Leadership Development Special Committee and the Continuing Professional Education Committee worked to develop the curriculum for these two important conferences.

### **Annual Meeting Member Appreciation Rate**

When Annual Meeting registration opened this year, we extended a \$50 registration discount for members registering during the first thirty days. The Executive Board felt this was an important consideration in recognizing the difficulty members would face in funding meeting attendance.

### **My Conference Planner**

In order to provide members with an Annual Meeting schedule and planning tool to make it easier to plan their meeting activities, we instituted a new online planner for meeting registrants to use. The new tool is updated with any meeting location changes and provides members an easy way to manage their time during the meeting.

### Updated Biennial Salary Survey for 2009

The *Biennial Salary Survey* is an important resource for AALL members, especially in today's economic climate. The Economic Status of Law Librarians Committee worked to update the 2009 *Biennial Salary Survey* to offer additional compensation information and better reflect the positions that law librarians hold today. The new survey questionnaire includes questions about employee benefits offered by institutions, new cities were added to the geographic question, and the private firm/corporation questionnaire now includes questions about billing rates and hours. The job codes and descriptions were also updated by the three main special interest sections to better reflect the jobs that law librarians currently hold in academic; firm; and state, court, and county law libraries.

### Valuable Discounts

AALL partnered this year with a number of organizations to offer members discounts to resources and conferences, including free access to the full set of online lessons hosted by the Center for Computer-Assisted Legal Instruction (CALI); fifty percent off registration for the Computers in Libraries Annual Meeting; and a reduced rate for the new University of Illinois Graduate School of Library and Information Science (GSLIS) LEEP distance course, titled "Law Librarianship."

### Guided Tour of Your AALL Membership

In March AALL produced a free webinar geared toward new and potential AALL members. The webinar, *A Guided Tour of your AALL Membership*, provided a quick tour of the benefits offered to AALL members and gave tips on how to maximize your membership and get involved. An archived version of the webinar is sent to new members as they join and is available for all members through AALLNET.

### Expanded Outreach

AALL incorporated a number of Web 2.0 tools to expand its communication outreach this year, including blogs, wikis, and Twitter feeds. The additional communication channels allow AALL members to easily network, share resources, and form friendships for little or no cost. Soon to come, AALL will have a page on Facebook.

### Increased Digital Brochures and Publications

In an effort to save money for the Association, save paper and the harmful impact printing has on the environment, and increase accessibility of AALL resources, the Association moved this year toward more digital distribution of new brochures and publications, including special interest section brochures and the *How to Research a Legal Question* guide. New designs allow for easy access online and for groups or individuals to print-on-demand from their own desktops in quantities that they need, when they need them. Overall, the effort will save money and paper and eliminate waste.

It has been a challenging, yet very productive year for AALL. The leadership and staff worked diligently to grow the Association with fewer financial resources. We were also fortunate that two of our most important resources—our members' time and talents—remain strong and committed to the profession of law librarianship and its future.

## Appendix B Statements and Biographies of Candidates for 2009–2010 AALL Election<sup>3</sup>

### Candidates for Vice President/President-Elect in 2009–2010

Joyce Manna Janto<sup>4</sup>

I became a librarian because of Susan Saint James. When I was twelve years old, she starred in the television show *The Name of the Game*. Her character had amazing research skills; the hero couldn't nail the bad guys without her. In my mind, a researcher was a librarian. While working on my M.L.S. at the University of Pittsburgh, I had a work-study job in the law library. My first day on the job was a revelation. I immediately went to my advisor's office to drop Copyright in favor of Academic Library Management. The rest, as they say, is history. I have never regretted my career choice. Over the years I have met some amazing people; I have learned from so many, taught a few, and made some genuinely good friends.

It is exciting to be asked to run for the position of AALL Vice President/President-Elect. Not for the perks (real or imagined), but for the "bully pulpit" you gain. AALL has a history of working on issues that are dear to its members' hearts, souls, and pocketbooks. Great strides have been made in recent years in the areas of continuing education, authenticity of information, and helping our members navigate the ever-increasing globalized legal environment.

Yet, there are more challenges. AALL has already begun discussing the relationship between AALL, law librarians, and vendors. AALL will be developing a new vendor relations policy and establishing a vendor relations representative, initiatives that should serve all of us well.

AALL needs to consider the recruitment and education of the next generation of law librarians. I commend organizations, like the Southern California Association of Law Libraries and Notre Dame Law Library, that have developed programs to introduce high school students to the profession of law librarianship. AALL should not only encourage these types of programs, but assist in their creation and promotion. AALL should lobby to have the loan forgiveness portion of the "College Cost Reduction and Access Act" extended to all librarian positions—not just public and school librarians—to make law librarianship a feasible career for law school graduates. We must also consider where our next generation of tech services librarians will come from. AALL should partner with the American Library Association and library schools to ensure that all new librarians have a background in technical, as well as public, services. We live in an age when the lines between technical and public services have been not only blurred, but in some cases, eliminated.

Along with the privilege of the "bully pulpit," the President inherits the responsibility of ensuring continuity. Great ideas take time to come to fruition. It can be impossible for an initiative launched by one person to become a fully functioning program in only a year or two. It is incumbent on the incumbent to make sure that

---

3. See *supra* ¶¶ 12–13 for the Secretary's report on the results of the election.

4. Deputy Director, University of Richmond Law School Library, Richmond, Virginia.

money, time, and resources are devoted to fledgling programs. They must be given a chance to flourish.

I hope that I will have an opportunity to address the challenges facing AALL by serving as Vice President/President-Elect. I thank the Nominations Committee for this opportunity.

**Education:**

J.D., University of Richmond School of Law, 1989

M.L.S., University of Pittsburgh, 1982

B.S., Clarion University of Pennsylvania, 1978

**Positions Held:**

University of Richmond Law School Library

Deputy Director, 1991–present

Associate Director for Collection Development, 1989–1991

Acquisitions Librarian, 1982–1989

**Activities:**

*American Association of Law Libraries*

Member 1981–present

*AALL Executive Board:*

Treasurer, 2004–2007

Board Budget and Finance Committee, Chair, 2004–2007

Liaison to: Mentoring Committee, 2005–2007; Membership and Retention Committee, 2005–2007; Recruitment to Law Librarianship Committee, 2005–2007

Chapter Visit Presentations: Minnesota Association of Law Libraries, 2005; Atlanta Law Libraries Association, 2006; Law Librarians Society of Washington, D.C., Inc., 2007

*AALL Committees:*

Planned Giving Special Committee, Member, 2004–2005

Mentoring Committee, Chair, 2003–2004; Member, 2002–2003

Election Procedures Special Committee, Member, 2001–2002

Grants Committee, Member, 1998–2000

Annual Meeting Program Committee, Member, 1997–1998

Placement Committee, Chair, 1996–1997; Member, 1995–1996

Council of Newsletter Editors, Chair, 1993–1994

Bylaws Committee, Chair, 1991–1992; Member, 1989–1991

Relations with Information Vendors, Member 1986–1988

*Special Interest Sections*

## Academic Law Libraries SIS:

Strategic Directions Committee, Member, 1998–1999

Local Arrangement Committee, Member, (Middle Managers Breakfast),  
1999–2000; 2002–2003

## Research Instruction and Patron Services SIS: Member

## Technical Services SIS:

Acquisitions Committee, Chair, 1992–1994, Member 1991–1992

Acquisitions Columnist, *Technical Services Law Librarian*, 1989–1991**Chapters:***Virginia Association of Law Libraries (VALL)*

Member, 1982–present

Bylaws Committee, Member, 2008–2009

Grants Committee, Chair, 2007–2008

Bylaw Committee, Chair, 2004–2006

Program Committee, Member, 1998–1999

Publications and Publicity Committee, Chair, 1997–1998

Constitution and Bylaws Committee, Chair, 1996–1997; Member, 1997–1998

Nominating Committee, Chair, 1995–1996

Executive Board, Member, 1992–1994

VALL Newsletter, Advertising Manager, 1999–2002; Co-Editor, 1992–1994

President, 1991–1992

Vice President/President–Elect, 1990–1991

Program Committee, Chair, 1990–1991

Newsletter Editor, 1988–1990

Placement Committee, Chair, 1987–1988

Membership Committee, Chair, 1986–1987

Nominating Committee, Member, 1984–1985

Program Committee, Chair, 1984–1985

Constitution and Bylaws Committee, Member, 1983–1984

*Southeastern Chapter, American Association of Law Libraries (SEAALL)*

Member, 1982–present

Community Service Committee, Member, 2008–2009

Nominating Committee, Member, 2007–2008

Service to SEAALL Committee, Chair, 2006–2007; Member, 2005–2006

Winner, “Service to SEALL Award,” 2005

Scholarship Committee, Chair, 2006–2007; Member, 2005–2006

Program Committee, Member, 2004–2005

Local Arrangements Committee for Richmond Meeting, Member, 2002–2004

Nominating Committee, Chair, 2002–2003

Scholarship Committee, Member, 2001–2002

Membership Committee, Member, 1999–2001  
Scholarship Committee, Chair, 1998–1999; Member, 1997–1998  
Executive Board, Member, 1996–1997  
Articles and Bylaws Committee, Chair, 1996–1997  
President, 1995–1996  
Vice President/President-Elect, Program Committee, Chair, 1994–1995  
Program Committee, Member, 1992–1993  
Articles and Bylaws Committee, Chair, 1991–1992

**Presentations:**

Speaker, "Legal Resources and Research for the Non-law Librarian," VLA Annual Meeting, 2007  
Speaker, "The USA Patriot Act: An Update," Daughters of the American Revolution, Spring Meeting, 2006  
Speaker, "What to Do When Your Budget is Put on the Atkins Diet," SEAALL Annual Meeting, 2005  
Speaker, "When Did You First Realize Your Email Was Not Private," VLA Annual Meeting, 2004  
Moderator and Coordinator, "Create Powerful Web Presentations without an Internet Connection," AALL Annual Meeting, 2004  
Speaker, "Library Records and the Law: How the USA Patriot Act and Other Laws Affect Us," VLA Annual Meeting, 2003  
Speaker, "Diverse Questions, Far-Flung Resources," VALL Spring Meeting, 2002  
Moderator and Coordinator, "Acquisitions and Control of Electronic Serials," AALL Annual Meeting, 2000  
Speaker, "30 Pitfalls to Avoid in Implementing a Mandatory Laptop Program," CALI Annual Conference, 1998  
Speaker and Coordinator, "Marketing Yourself, Common Job Search Errors," AALL Annual Meeting, 1998  
Speaker, "Finding Legal Information in Richmond and in the World (Wide Web)," Annual Meeting, Richmond Association of Legal Assistants, 1997  
Speaker, "Dealing With Declining Budgets," VALL Spring Meeting, 1996  
Speaker and Coordinator, "Basic Acquisitions Workshop," AALL Annual Meeting, 1992  
Moderator and Coordinator, "To Buy or Not To Buy, That is the Question: Looseleafs and their Upkeep," AALL Annual Meeting, 1991  
Moderator and Coordinator, "Into the Bramble Bush, the Pro Se Patron and the Law Librarian," AALL Annual Meeting, 1990  
Speaker, "Acquiring Minds Want to Know: Realizing the Potential in Automated Acquisitions Systems," AALL Annual Meeting, 1990  
Speaker, "The Automation of Serials Control," SEAALL Annual Meeting, 1988

**Publications:**

- “Building a Law Firm Library,” *The Virginia Lawyer*, June/July 2008
- “Cold Case: How One Ordinary Librarian Helped Resolve a 53 Year Old Mystery and Learned Something About How Students Learn Legal Research,” *AALL Spectrum*, November 2007
- “School is in Session for Summer Associates,” *Virginia Lawyers Weekly*, May 16, 2007
- “Redemption: Reflections on a Life in Middle Management,” 15 *Trends in Law Library Management and Technology* 1 (2005)
- “Easing the Path for Newer Colleagues: Conference for Newer Law Librarians Helps Beginners Learn AALL’s Ropes,” *AALL Spectrum*, May 2004
- “Increased Involvement=Increased Enjoyment,” *AALL Spectrum*, March 1998
- “How Do You Manage?—Mind Your Own Business,” *Library Journal*, November 1, 1997
- “Program Planning—Ideas for Improvement,” *AALL Spectrum*, June 1997
- “A Selected Bibliography of the Admiralty Law Collection of the University of Richmond Law William T. Muse Law Library compiled for the Judge John R. Brown Admiralty Moot Court Competition,” February 1997 (editor)
- “How Do You Manage?—Single White Male,” *Library Journal*, February 1, 1994
- “Teaching Legal Research: Past and Present,” 84 *Law Library Journal* 281, (1992 (co-authored with Lucinda Harrison-Cox))
- “The Automation of Serials Control with SC350,” 15 *Serials Librarian* 85 (1988)

**Other:**

- American Bar Association, Member, 1990–present
- Bar of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Admitted 1991 (inactive status)
- Virginia Library Association, Member, 1982–present

**Nancy P. Johnson<sup>5</sup>**

When I told my adult son that I was a candidate for AALL Vice President/President-Elect, he asked me what AALL really does. I told him the first thing that popped into my head: AALL provides meaningful programs at the Annual Meeting and on the chapter level. AALL provides a venue for not only attending programs, but also planning and speaking at programs. I knew there were many other benefits, but decided to keep my answer succinct.

Now that I write this statement about serving the members in a leadership role, I think about these benefits and how to improve them. The benefits of membership go way beyond the Annual Meeting. The benefits cover not only educational opportunities, but also many leadership and advocacy opportunities. For the Association and for our profession to remain vibrant, we must improve recruitment efforts to attract new and diverse librarians. AALL as an organization can improve these efforts. It is very difficult for individual members to recruit the significant numbers that we need to work in our libraries, but AALL can do it. Yet, AALL must remain relevant to veteran members.

---

5. Law Librarian & Professor of Law, Georgia State University Law Library, Atlanta, Georgia.

The educational needs of our members change very quickly, and our AALL programs must adapt and meet these needs. We must increase the number of grants and scholarships to allow our members to attend both annual and chapter meetings.

The advocacy activities of the Association in various different arenas, including information policy and the work of the Washington Affairs Office, are very important. We must do more outreach activities with other related organizations. There are many issues that are important to our members, such as vendor relations, that we can affect more effectively as an organization than as individuals.

The *Law Library Journal* and *AALL Spectrum* continue to perform different, but essential, functions. Both publications inform our members about trends in law librarianship and activities of the Association.

AALL gives members a chance to expand their skill sets at all levels. Such skills include public speaking, mentoring, delegating tasks, and motivating committee members. There are many ways that members can become involved and improve these skills—through SISs, committees, chapters, and informal groups. AALL should not be exclusive to a few hard-working members.

I hope that I inspire all members to participate in AALL in ways they feel comfortable. Together, we can continue our collective activities to move the profession forward to accomplish many important goals. I feel confident that I can work with the team to accomplish these goals as Vice President/President-Elect of AALL. I am very honored to receive the nomination.

**Education:**

J.D., Georgia State University College of Law, 1986

M.L.S., University of Illinois Graduate School of Library Science, 1972

B.A., Marycrest College, 1971

**Positions Held:**

Georgia State University College of Law Library

Law Librarian/Professor of Law, 1986–present

Reference Librarian, 1982–1986

University of Illinois Law Library

Reference/Documents Librarian, 1976–1982

University of Chicago Law Library

Reference/Documents Librarian, 1974–1976

**Activities:**

*American Association of Law Libraries*

Member, 1974–present

AALL Executive Board, Member, 1996–1999

*AALL Committees:*

ALL-SIS CALI Legal Research Community Authoring Group, Chair, 2003–2004

Special Committee for Graduate Education for Law Librarianship, Chair, 2002

AALL Economic Study Advisory Committee on Law Book Prices, Chair,  
2000–2001

ALA External Accreditation Task Force, Representative, 1999–2001

CONNELL, Co-Director, 1988–1989

Grants Subcommittee, Chair, 1985–1988

Awards Committee, Chair, 1983–1984

*Special Interest Sections:*

SIS Council, Chair, 1993–1994

Academic Law Libraries SIS, Chair, 1992–1993

Government Documents SIS, Chair, 1978–1979

**Chapters:**

*Southeastern Chapter, American Association of Law Libraries (SEAALL)*

Member, 1984–present

Recipient, Service to SEAALL Award, April 2007

President Southeastern Association of Law Libraries, 2003–2004

President, Consortium of Southeastern Law Libraries, 1989–1991

*Atlanta Law Libraries Association*

Member, 1983–present

President, 1990–1991

**Recent Presentations:**

“So You Think You Can Teach,” SEAALL Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., 2008

“Interactive CALI Legal Research Lessons,” Chicago-Kent Law School Writing Conference, May 2007

“Interactive Legal Writing Lessons: Alternative to Reading about Writing, Legal Writing Institute,” Atlanta, June 2006

“New Directors’ Workshop,” AALL Annual Meeting, St. Louis, July 2006

Moderator, full day Institute on Disaster Preparedness, SEAALL, Raleigh, N.C., April 2006

**Selected Publications:**

**Books:**

*Georgia Legal Research*, Carolina Academic Press, 2007 (co-authored with Elizabeth G. Adelman and Nancy Adams). Accompanying Teachers’ Manual, Carolina Academic Press, 2008.

*Legal Research Exercises*, 1986, 10<sup>th</sup> ed., (co-authored with Susan Phillips), 2008.

*Sources of Compiled Legislative Histories: A Bibliography of Government Documents, Periodical Articles, and Books*, Littleton, CO: Rothman, 1979. Supplements: American Association of Law Libraries Series #14, available on HeinOnline as of 2006.

*Winning Research Skills*, West Publishing Co., 1991, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., 1993, 3<sup>rd</sup> ed., 1996, 4<sup>th</sup> ed., 1999, revised 4<sup>th</sup> ed., 2000, 5<sup>th</sup> ed., 2002 (co-authored with Robert Berring and Thomas Woxland).

**CALI (Computer-Assisted Legal Instruction) Lessons:**

*Georgia Legal Research—Primary Source Materials*, 2005 (co-authored with Elizabeth G. Adelman, Nancy J. Adams, and Terrance K. Manion)

*Researching Federal Legislative History*, 2002

**Book Chapters:**

“Georgia Practice Materials: A Selective Annotated Bibliography,” in *State Practice Materials: Annotated Bibliographies*, ed. Frank G. Houdek, William S. Hein & Co., 2007) (co-authored with Ronald E. Wheeler).

**Articles:**

“Choosing the Top Candidate: Best Practices in Academic Law Library Hiring,” 100 *Law Library Journal* 117 (2007) (coauthored with Ronald E. Wheeler and Terrance Manion).

“Researching Georgia Law,” 2006 ed., 22 *Georgia State University Law Review* 381 (2005) (co-authored with Nancy Adams and Elizabeth Adelman).

“Researching Georgia Law,” 9 *Georgia State University Law Review* 585 (1993) (co-authored with Nancy Deel).

“Researching Georgia Law,” 1998 ed., 14 *Georgia State University Law Review* 545 (1998) (co-authored with Nancy Deel).

“Comparable Worth in Libraries: A Legal Analysis,” 79 *Law Library Journal* 367 (1987) (Included in *Best of Library Literature* (1988)).

“Reference Use of State Government Information in Law Libraries,” 10 *Government Publications Review* 201 (1983).

Author, “Government Documents,” continuing column in *Legal Reference Services Quarterly* (1981–1982).

“Rearranging a Law Library: A Case Study,” 73 *Law Library Journal* 129 (1980).

“Legal Periodical Usage Survey: Method and Application,” 71 *Law Library Journal* 177 (1978).

**Newsletters:**

“Recruiting the Next Generation,” 10 *Law Librarians in the New Millennium*, 1–3 (2007).

**Other:**

Center for Computer-Assisted Legal Instruction (CALI)

CALI Excellence in Service Award, Recipient, 2003

Depository Library Council to the Public Printer of the U.S., 1980–83

**Subjects Taught:**

Advanced Legal Research

Government Publications

Law Library Management

Law Librarianship

Legal Bibliography

## Candidates for Executive Board Member in 2009–2010

### Beth DiFelice<sup>6</sup>

I have enjoyed being an active member of AALL for the past fourteen years. I was able to become involved early in my career. As a very new librarian, I was appointed to the AALL Placement Committee, became the ad manager for the MAALL newsletter, and helped create ALL-SIS's first web site. I have been participating ever since. The best part about becoming involved with AALL is that it has given me the opportunity to work with law librarians from around the country and from many types of libraries.

I have been fortunate to be able to participate in AALL in a wide variety of ways. After serving as president of my local chapter, I was elected Chair of the Council of Chapter Presidents, where I represented the chapters at AALL board meetings and had the opportunity to get to know the chapter leadership, the members of the Executive Board, and the wonderful AALL staff. Through AALL committee work, I have been involved with AALLNet, *Spectrum*, *Law Library Journal*, and CRIV and am a very enthusiastic new member of the CONELL committee. As a member of the AALL GenX/GenY task force in 2004, I became acquainted with the needs of the newer members of the Association, as well as the ones who've been around for awhile, when the task force surveyed AALL members, grouping the survey participants by generation. I would be honored to continue participating in AALL as a member of the Executive Board.

#### **Education:**

M.L.S., University of Washington, 1994

J.D., University of Washington, 1991

B.A., Centenary College of Louisiana, 1988

#### **Positions Held:**

Ross-Blakley Law Library, Arizona State University

Assistant Director & Head of Public Services, 2000–present

Schmid Law Library, University of Nebraska

Reference Librarian, 1995–2000

Bogle & Gates, Seattle, Washington

Attorney, 1991–1993

#### **Activities:**

*American Association of Law Libraries*

Member, 1993–present

---

6. Assistant Director & Head of Public Services, Ross-Blakley Law Library, Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona.

*AALL Committees:*

CONELL Committee, 2008–2011  
 Law Library Journal and AALL Spectrum Advisory Committee, 2005–2008  
 Chair, 2007–2008  
 Chair, Council of Chapter Presidents, 2005–2006  
 Gen X / Gen Y Task Force, 2004  
 Relations with Information Vendors Committee (CRIV), 2003–2005  
 AALLNet Advisory Committee, 2000–2003  
 Chair, 2001–2002  
 Placement Committee, 1997–1999

Editor, Membership News Column, *AALL Spectrum*, 1998–2003

*Special Interest Sections:*

Academic Law Libraries SIS  
 CALI Legal Research Advisory Panel, 2007–2009  
 Collection Development Committee, 2004–2006  
 Legal Research Instruction Committee, 2002–2004  
 Co-chair, 2003–2004  
 Chair, 2002–2003  
 Secretary/Treasurer, 2000–2002  
 Web Site Team, 1996–1999  
 Chair, 1998–1999  
 Co-chair, 1996–1997  
 Public Relations Committee, 1996–1998  
 Chair, 1996–1998

Research Instruction and Patron Services SIS: Member  
 Foreign, Comparative & International Law SIS: Member

**Chapters:***Arizona Association of Law Libraries (AzALL)*

Member, 2000–present  
 President, 2004–2005  
 Vice-President / President-elect, 2003–2004  
 Chair, Program Committee, 2003–2004  
 Executive Board member, 2002–2003

*Southwestern Association of Law Libraries (SWALL)*

Member, 2006–present

*Mid-America Association of Law Libraries (MAALL)*

Member, 1995–1999

*MAALL Markings* Newsletter

Co-editor, 1999

Assistant-editor and ad manager, 1997-1998

**Presentations (Selected):**

Speaker at several Arizona Association of Law Libraries' Legal Bibliography Institutes, 2001-2005

Speaker on the topic of legal research, Arizona Association of Paralegals, 2001

Speaker on the topic of legal research at several Nebraska CLE seminars, 1996-1999

Speaker on researching international law, Annual Meeting of the Mid-America Association of Law Libraries, 1997

Panelist, Reference in the Internet Age: Looking Toward 2000, Annual Meeting of the Mid-America Association of Law Libraries, 1997

**Publications (Selected):**

"International Transitional Administration: The United Nations in East Timor, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Eastern Slavonia, and Kosovo—A Bibliography, 35 *International Journal of Legal Information* 63 (2007).

"Finding International Court of Justice Opinions"—a CALI lesson

"United Nations Research"—a CALI lesson

"Researching Arizona Law"—a CALI lesson co-authored with Jennifer Murray

"Researching Uniform and Model Laws"—a CALI lesson

"Enhancing Reference Services Through Technology," 19 (1/2) *Legal Reference Services Quarterly* 133-146 (2001).

"Nebraska Practice Materials—A Selective Annotated Bibliography," 79 *Nebraska Law Review* 118-148 (2000).

**Subjects Taught:**

Advanced Legal Research

Research Methods in International Law

1L Legal Research

**John D. Edwards<sup>7</sup>**

Throughout my professional life I have had the good fortune to benefit from working with exceptional colleagues. Many of those relationships developed thanks to AALL and the camaraderie the Association fosters and builds. Whenever I need assistance or counsel, my AALL colleagues willingly go the extra mile. The esprit de corps that has benefited so many of us is a strength of AALL that must be passed on to our newer members. AALL continues to facilitate that relationship-building, and each of us can assist. Recently a friend and I were talking about past AALL Annual Meetings, and she recalled her first meeting and a reception she attended where she knew no one. When an experienced member welcomed her and helped her acclimate, it made a lasting impression and initiated the first of many AALL

---

7. Associate Dean for Information Resources and Technology, Drake University Law Library, Des Moines, Iowa.

friendships. As baby boomers move into retirement, all of us need to assist in recruiting and welcoming professionals into law librarianship.

Working on and chairing AALL committees has helped me not only learn more about AALL and its structure, but also better understand the needs of members in a range of library settings. One great benefit of committee service is the interaction with librarians whose various backgrounds and experiences offer diverse perspectives on dealing with the issues at hand. An Executive Board member has a tremendous opportunity to gather input from members and communicate not only to the Board but also back to the members in various settings. Serving as President of an AALL Chapter and a Consortium also has reinforced for me the critical need for effective communication.

As the coming generation of law students is increasingly composed of “digital natives,” law librarians need to educate them not only as to the resources available but also to the librarian’s role in the research process. The library as a physical space is rapidly changing, especially in the law firm, and libraries are reporting that traditional reference desks are seeing less traffic. With jobs and environments adapting to new demands for service and resources, AALL can expect to play an even greater role in helping members and libraries address those needs.

My involvement in activities outside the library is an extension of what drew me to library work in the first place—service. The largest share of my professional time outside the library is spent with City Council business. In the early 1990s I served on the Library Committee for Clive, a suburb which had no library but which contracted for service from neighboring communities. The City Council did not think a library was needed and I thought otherwise. I ran for City Council in 1995 and was elected. After taxpayers passed a bond issue, the new Clive Public Library opened in 2000 and now is one of the busiest in the state. I was re-elected in 1999, 2003, and 2007. The skills for serving patrons readily transfer to constituents when dealing with their problems. Hopefully that experience would be helpful on the Executive Board. I am honored to be a nominee and would welcome the opportunity to further serve AALL.

**Education:**

M.A.L.S., University of Missouri, 1979

J.D., University of Missouri-Kansas City, 1977

B.A., Southeast Missouri State University, 1975

**Positions Held:**

Drake University Law School

Associate Dean for Information Resources and Technology, 2005–present

Director of the Law Library, 1984–present

Professor of Law, 1987–present

Associate Professor of Law, 1984–1987

Director of Legal Research, 2007–present

Director of Legal Research and Writing, 1986–2007

Des Moines Area Community College  
Instructor, 1985–present

University of Oklahoma Law Library  
Acting Director, 1983  
Associate Law Librarian, 1981–1984  
Public Services Librarian, 1980

University of Oklahoma School of Library Science  
Instructor, 1983

University of Missouri School of Law  
Program Director for Legal Research & Librarian I, 1979–1980  
Library Assistant II (Assistant Law Librarian), 1979

Columbia College  
Instructor, 1979–1980

**Activities:**

*American Association of Law Libraries*  
Member, 1981–present

*AALL Committees:*

Law Library Journal and AALL Spectrum Advisory Committee, Chair 2008–2009, Member 2007–2009  
AALLNET Committee, Ex-Officio Member 2008–2009  
Bylaws Committee, Member 2002–2004  
Citation Formats Committee, Member 2000–2002  
Committee Chairs, 1998–1999  
Scholarships Committee, Chair 1998–1999, Member 1997–1999  
Grants Committee, Chair 1996–1997  
Recruitment to Law Librarianship Committee, 1993–1995  
Awards Committee, Chair 1987–1988, Member 1984–1989  
Education Committee, Member 1981–1984

*Special Interest Sections:*

Academic Law Libraries SIS Member  
Awards Committee, Chair 2006–2007, Member 2005–2007

**Chapters:**

*Mid-America Association of Law Libraries (MAALL)*  
Nominating Committee, Chair 1998  
Team Captain, Gold Medal Winner, West's Law Library Decathlon, 1996

President 1995–1996

Vice-President 1994–1995

Local Arrangements Committee, Chair 1994

Program Committee, CoChair 1985 and 1989

Resource Sharing Committee, Chair 1982–1993

Staff Exchange Program, Coordinator 1982–1993

*Southwestern Association of Law Libraries (SWALL)*

Member 1981–1984

**Consortia:**

*Mid-America Law Library Consortium (MALLCO)*

President 2006–2008

*Mid-America Law School Library Consortium (MALSCL)*

Vice-President 2004–2006

President 1986–1988

**Selected Presentations:**

“Internet Legal Research,” Iowa Judicial Institute, Des Moines, 2007

“Internet Legal Research,” Iowa Association of Administrative Law Judges, Des Moines, 2005

“Faith and Politics,” Westminster Presbyterian Church, Des Moines, 2003

“Computer-Assisted Legal Research,” Iowa Judicial Institute, Des Moines, 2003

“The Future of the Law Review,” Drake Law Review Banquet, Des Moines, 2002

“Legal Research on the Internet,” Blackstone Inn of Court, Des Moines, 1999

“Meeting Management,” AALL Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., 1999

“Legal Research and Analysis: How to Determine Issues in a Fact Scenario and Research Them,” Iowa Association of Legal Assistants, Ames, 1994

“Preparing for Emergencies & Coping with Disasters,” MAALL Annual Meeting, Little Rock, 1993

“Computerization of the Law School,” Iowa Association for Communications Technology, Des Moines, 1989

“Legal Citation for Legal Secretaries,” CLE, Des Moines, 1989

“Computer-Assisted Tax Research,” Iowa State Bar Association, Des Moines, 1987

“The Impact of Svengalis,” MAALL Annual Meeting, St. Louis, 1986

“Utilization of Computers in the Law School,” Mead Data Central Institute, Tulsa, 1985

“Developing an Energy Law Collection,” SWALL Annual Meeting, Tulsa, 1983

**Selected Publications:**

*Iowa Legal Research Guide* (William S. Hein & Co., 2003).

*Emerging Solutions in Reference Services: Implications for Libraries in the New Millennium* (Haworth Press, 2001).

“Planning and Constructing Law School Buildings: Ten Basic Guidelines,” 90 *Law Library Journal* 423–45 (1998) (article was highlighted in the *ABA Syllabus*, vol. 29, no. 4, p. 4 (Fall 1998)).

- “AALL: 1980,” 88 *Law Library Journal* 31 (1996).
- “Memorial: Ellen Kaye Stoppel,” 85 *Law Library Journal* 681 (1993).
- “Teaching Legal Research: Evaluating Options,” in *Expert Views on Improving the Quality of Legal Research Education in the United States* (West, 1992).
- “Elder Law,” 3 *Bowker’s Legal Publishing Review* 297-304 (1991).
- “LEXIS and WESTLAW Training Centers: Law School Opportunities,” 80 *Law Library Journal* 457–72 (1988).
- “Book Losses and Mutilation in Law School Libraries,” 78 *Law Library Journal* 443–64 (1986).
- “LEXIS and WESTLAW Instruction in the Law School,” 76 *Law Library Journal* 605–31 (1983).
- “A Staff Exchange Program: Mid-America’s Experience,” 76 *Law Library Journal* 402–13 (1983).
- Introducing the American Association of Law Libraries*, contributing editor, with Frank Houdek and Marian Parker (1983).
- “Affirmative Action in Special Libraries and Information Centers,” with Laura Gasaway, chapter in *Librarians’ Affirmative Action Handbook* (Scarecrow, 1982).

**Awards:**

- Friend of The Journal, Drake Journal of Agricultural Law, 2003–2004
- Outstanding Volunteer, West Des Moines Community School District, Crestview Elementary School, 1989–1990
- Presidential Award, Student Bar Association, 1987

**Other:**

- Admitted to practice (1978): Missouri
- The Missouri Bar, Member
- American Bar Association, Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar, Site Team Member 2006 and 2008
- Clive City Council, 1995–present; Mayor pro tem, 1998–2005
- Clive Library Committee, Member 1993–1998
- Crestview Elementary Parent-Teacher Council, Co-Chair, 1988–1989
- Des Moines Metropolitan Transit Authority (MTA) Board of Trustees, Secretary/Treasurer 1996, 2001; Vice-Chair 2002; Chair 1997–1998, 2003–2004; Member 1996–2007
- Electronic Research Committee, Iowa State Bar Association, 1984–1991
- Iowa Supreme Court Commission on Planning for the 21st Century, 1995–1996
- Metro Advisory Council (MAC), 2005–present
- Order of the Coif
- State Law Library Advisory Committee, 1991–1992

**Subjects Taught:**

- Computer Assisted Legal Research
- Computers and the Law
- Legal Research
- Legal Research, Writing and Appellate Practice

### Marcus L. Hochstetler<sup>8</sup>

“It’s all on the Internet anyway.” This sentiment is held by many of those who walk through our doors, including attorneys, professors, decision makers, judicial officers, and the general public. Working to address this false sense of reality, as law librarians, we provide a complete picture of what is available and obtain the information in a timely fashion. Answering this question is easier when you have colleagues to contact and seek out resources for your library user. AALL provides that opportunity to connect with the wider world of law librarians, tapping our untold potential by drawing us together for a common purpose of enhancing access to the justice system.

This purpose is shown in our forward push to have authentication of each state’s online judicial opinions, laws and regulations become the norm. It is also evident in the fight for better funding of county law libraries in various states. It is evident in reaching out to groups such as the Self-Represented Litigation Network and partnering with them to serve the ever increasing number of self-represented litigants.

We all feel the urgency of each request we receive. When I was in the law firm setting, the attorneys expressed their requests with a necessary need for a quick response. In each of our settings, our customers demand prompt responses to their pressing questions. Whether it takes five minutes or an hour to complete the research, we feel gratified when that smile appears on the face of the attorney, judge, professor, or member of the public. It may be a small moment in their day and yet it can mean the difference in their success in the courtroom or classroom. Moments like these are more satisfying when a colleague has helped to bring together the information we needed at that moment. I know at that point that I am part of something larger than myself and it makes my job easier.

It is a true joy to be a part of an organization like AALL where we support the value of law libraries and bring this message to the greater justice system. I am grateful for this opportunity to serve the community in this way. I ask for your support in becoming a member of the American Association of Law Libraries Executive Board.

**Education:**

M.L.I.S, Drexel University, College of Information and Science Technology, 1998

M.A., Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia, 1996

B.A., Malone College, Canton, OH, 1992

**Positions Held:**

Mahoning Law Library Association, Director, 2000–2005

Stradley, Ronon, Stevens & Young, Reference Librarian, 1998–2000

Stradley, Ronon, Stevens & Young, Assistant Librarian, 1996–1998

---

8. Law Librarian and Director, King County Law Library, Seattle, Washington.

**Activities:***American Association of Law Libraries*

Member, 1996–Present

AALL Representative to the Self-Represented Litigation Network, 2008–2011

*AALL Committees*

Continuing Educational Program Committee, 2007–2009

Annual Meeting Program Committee, 2006–2007

AALL Pro Bono Partnership Committee, 2006–2007

Government Relations Committee, 2004–2006

*Special Interest Sections*

State, Court, County SIS: Chair, 2008–2009

Member, 2001–present

Vice Chair/Chair Elect, 2007–2008

Secretary/Treasurer, 2004–2007

Education Committee, Chair, 2001–2004

Research Instruction and Patron Services SIS: Member, 2001–present

Technical Services SIS: Member, 2001–present

**Presentations and Publications:**

Speaker, “Supporting and Integrating Law Library Services for the Self-Represented,”  
Court Solutions Conference, September 8, 2008

Moderator, “The Evolving Role of Law Librarians with Self-Represented Litigants:  
Charting a Path to Service,” Portland, July 13, 2008

Moderator, Legislative Advocacy Leadership Training, St. Louis, July 8, 2006

Speaker, “Prove Your Worth: Computing Library Value,” San Antonio, TX, July 2005

Coordinator, “Marketing the Law Librarian to the World: Getting Published in Judicial,  
Court, and Bar Publications,” Boston, 2004

Contributor, ORALL Newsletter, 2001–2005

Editor, “The Letter of the Law,” Mahoning Law Library Association Newsletter, 2000–  
2005

Columnist: King County Bar Bulletin, monthly, September 2005–present

“Are You Plugged into AALL? Leaders Discuss Benefits of Active Participation in  
AALL.” *AALL Spectrum*, 12/01:4.

“Hot Topic: Discussion of Double Fold: Libraries and the Assault on Paper.” *AALL  
Spectrum*, 09/01:32.

**Chapters:***Western Pacific Association of Law Libraries*

Member, 2005–present

Government Relations Committee, Chair 2008–2009

*Law Libraries of Puget Sound*

Member, 2005–present

Government Relations Committee, Chair 2007–2009

Professional Development Committee, Chair 2006–2007

Professional Development Committee, Member 2005–2006

Grants Committee, Member 2005–2006

*Ohio Regional Association of Law Libraries (ORALL)*

Governmental Relations Committee Chair, 2002–2005

Executive Board, Member, 2002–2004

Ohio County Law Librarians, Special Interest Group Chair, 2002–2003

### Janet McKinney<sup>9</sup>

I'm excited about recent happenings in AALL! At the Annual Meeting, a program for solo librarians was webcast so that those unable to attend could participate and benefit. The Computing Services SIS packed a large ballroom using engaging styles to present knowledge about Web 2.0 applications and technology for training. The online course "2008 Web 2.0 Challenge" was hugely successful. The Technical Services SIS presented a webinar that focused on the "hybrid" environment of the law library and workflow analysis. The success of these initiatives demonstrates that the need and interest among members exists—and that we have the initiative and ingenuity to address them.

Our colleagues have always been some of the best resources for teaching and training each other. It's great that we're exploiting a variety of methods to share our knowledge. Our members and potential members need to be able to depend on the Association to meet their needs, in content and methodology. If elected to the AALL Executive Board, I would advocate and work to continue these efforts and develop new ones.

The variety and number of experiences I've had in my professional and Association work demonstrate that I have a broad knowledge of and familiarity with librarianship and law librarianship. Such experience would be an asset for an AALL Executive Board member. I suspect many of you happened into the field of law librarianship as I did and are just as pleased that you did. It's not just your job where you put in the time. It's your career, and you strive to do your best in it. AALL provides much toward that goal, and I would be eager to participate in that process.

#### **Education:**

M.A.R.S., Central Baptist Theological Seminary, 1997

M.A.L.S., University of Missouri-Columbia, 1989

B.A., Avila College, 1981

---

9. Knowledge Management Librarian, Shook, Hardy & Bacon LLP, Kansas City, Missouri.

**Positions Held:**

Shook, Hardy & Bacon L.L.P.

Knowledge Management (formerly Computer Services) Librarian, 2000–present

Leon E. Bloch Law Library, University of Missouri-Kansas City

Acquisitions/Serials Librarian, 1991–2000

Black & Veatch

Civil/Environmental Division Librarian, 1990–1991

Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary

Reference Librarian, Acquisitions Librarian/Secretary, Circulation Librarian,  
1981–1990

**Professional Activities:**

*American Association of Law Libraries*

Member, 1991–present

*AALL Committees:*

Annual Meeting Program Committee, Member, 2003–2004

Index to Foreign Legal Periodicals Advisory Committee, Member, 2001–2004

Cataloging Intranet Access to Electronic Resources Special Committee, Member,  
2002–2003

Committee on Relations with Information Vendors, Member, 1995–1996

*Special Interest Sections:*

Computing Services SIS, member, 2000–present

Online Bibliographic Services SIS, member, 1991–present

Academic Law Libraries SIS, Member, 1991–2000

Private Law Libraries SIS, Member, 2000–present

Treasurer, 2001–2003

Technical Services SIS, Member, 1991–present

Executive Board, Member, 2006–2008; 1994–1996

Chair, 1999–2000

Vice-Chair, 1998–1999

**Chapters:**

*Mid-America Association of Law Libraries* (MAALL), Member, 1991–present

Past President, 2005–2006

President, 2004–2005

Vice-President, 2003–2004

Treasurer, 2002–2003; 1998–1999

*Southwestern Association of Law Libraries* (SWALL), Member, 1991–present

*Kansas City Association of Law Libraries*

Technology Committee Co-Chair, 2002  
 President, 2000  
 Vice President/President-Elect, 1999  
 Board Member, 1998

*Special Libraries Association*

Member, 1990–present  
 Representative to the American Association of Law Librarians, 1995–1996  
 Heart of America Chapter  
 Awards Committee, 2004–2005  
 President, 1995–1996  
 Vice President/President-Elect, 1994–1995  
 Treasurer, 1991–1994  
 Membership Committee Chair, 1990–1991

**Presentations:**

Panelist, “We’re Not Just Corporate Spies and Dewey Decimal Experts,” joint meeting of the Heart of America Chapter of the Special Libraries Association and the Kansas City chapter of the Society of Competitive Intelligence Professionals, November 2005

Presenter, “RSS Technology and Resources,” Kansas City Association of Law Libraries, May 2005

Panelist, “Separate but Unequal No More: Integrating Federal Documents Collections,” AALL Annual Meeting, Minneapolis, 2001

Program Coordinator and Moderator, “The Internet in Technical Services: Crossroads of Opportunity?,” AALL Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., 1999

Presenter, “If It’s Legal, It’s Probably a Serial: Legal Materials for the Non-Law Librarian,” 14th Annual Conference of the North American Serials Interest Group, Pittsburgh, June 1999 (proposed program)

Co-Presenter, “The Internet and Technical Services,” LibraryFest Midwest: Third Midwest Regional Law Library Conference, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, October 1998

Program planner, “Fee-Based Services,” 98th Annual Conference of the Missouri Library Association, Kansas City, Missouri, October 1998

Coordinator, “Publishers’ Panel II,” Mid-America Association of Law Libraries Annual Meeting, Omaha, Nebraska, October 1997

Co-Presenter, “Investing in E-Serials,” 97th Annual Conference of the Missouri Library Association, Lake Ozark, Missouri, October 1997

Presenter, “Methods of Ordering” “Financial Planning, Reporting and Statistics,” Advanced Acquisitions Workshop, AALL Annual Meeting, 1995

Presenter, “Acquisitions,” Nuts and Bolts of Law Library Management Seminar, Kansas City Association of Law Libraries, May 1993

**Publications:**

- “Report on Internet Librarian 2003,” *Connecting. . .* (newsletter of the AALL Computing Services SIS), vol. 4, no. 1, December 2003.
- “Shaking Up Shook: A Case Study in Implementing LawPort Portal,” *LLRX.com* ([www.llrx.com/features/lawport.htm](http://www.llrx.com/features/lawport.htm)), February 1, 2002.
- “The Development and Use of a Genre Statement for Electronic Journals,” co-published simultaneously in *The Serials Librarian* (The Haworth Press, Inc.) vol. 36, no. 3/4, 1999; and *Head in the Clouds, Feet on the Ground: Serials Vision and Common Sense* (ed. Jeffery S. Bullington, Beatrice L. Caraway, and Beverly Geer) The Haworth Press, Inc., 1999.
- “Preparing for an Audit,” *Against the Grain* 8 (April 1996) 77–78.
- “Permission to Copy: Who Ya Gonna Call?” *The CRIV Sheet: The Newsletter of the Committee on Relations with Information Vendors*, American Association of Law Libraries, 17 (May 1995) 7–9.
- “Special Collections in Law School Libraries” manuscript (author’s name withheld) for possible publication in *Special Libraries* (review).
- Resource Sharing: New Technologies as a Must for Universal Availability of Information: Festschrift in Honour of Hais-Peter Geh.* ed. Ahed H. Helal and Joachim W. Weiss, (Publications of Essen University Library, 17), Essen: Universitätsbibliothek Essen, 1994, (review in *Library Resources & Technical Services*, 39 (April, 1995)).
- Guide to Technical Services Resources*, ed. Peggy Johnson, American Library Association, Chicago, 1994, (review in *Information Technology and Libraries*, 13 (June 1994))
- Libraries and the Future: Essays on the Library in the Twenty-First Century*, ed. F.W. Lancaster, Binghamton, NY: Haworth Press, 1993 (review in *Computers in Libraries*, 14 (May 1994)).
- “Serials Cancellation Pre-Conference,” *NASIG Newsletter* (February 1994) 22–23
- “Integrated Library Systems Demonstrations: My Recent Experience,” *MAALL Markings: The Newsletter of the Mid-America Association of Law Libraries* 3 (September 1993) 8–13.
- “Do Unto Others as They Would Like You Do Unto Them: A Report on the Management Communication in Special Libraries and Information Centers Continuing Education Workshop,” *Special Collections* 44 (Winter 1992) 14–16.