

# The ALL-SIS Newsletter

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## MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

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Welcome to the start of another outstanding year for ALL-SIS! I want thank each of you for the opportunity to serve you as your Chair for 2000-01. I look forward to working with the wonderful group of officers, committee chairs and volunteers during the coming year. Also, I want to thank Tory Trotta for the great job she did as our Chair last year! Tory laid the groundwork for the revitalization of our Section. I want to continue on that path, pushing our Section as a forum responsive to the needs and issues of those working in an academic setting.

In order for the Section to grow and to accomplish its goals, we need the input of all its members. Last spring I put out a call for volunteers. The response was terrific! The 2000-01 committees have been appointed and the volunteers are already at work. If for some reason your response got lost or you haven't been contacted, there is still a place for you to work. ALL-SIS needs you!

Dwight King, education chair for 2000, and his committee have submitted an excellent package of program proposals for the Minneapolis Meeting in 2001. A report of which programs were accepted by AMPSC will be given in the next issue of the newsletter. Vice-

Chair, Rosalie Sanderson and Tim Coggins, new chair of the education committee, are hard at work planning programs for the 2002 meeting. So if you have ideas or suggestions, please contact Rosalie or Tim.

One of the "old chestnuts" still roasting in the fire is a strategic plan for the Section. A new committee has been formed to work on this issue. Larry Myers will chair this effort. Additionally, the Public Relations Committee, chaired by Bonnie Koneski-White, is working on producing a new Section brochure. These two initiatives are paramount to our efforts of increasing our membership and plotting the course of the Section to meet the needs of the membership

I hope that each of you who had the opportunity to attend the Annual Meeting had an exciting and challenging time in Philadelphia. Our section presented a wonderful array of educational programs and roundtables. We had something for everyone. Of particular note was the presentation by the CONALL Committee. The "dramatic" production, "Alice in Libraryland", by the Definitely Not Ready for Prime Time ALL-SIS Players, received raved reviews! The play generated a lot of discussion as information about the environment in which academic librarians work was presented to new members of our section. (Many of the "seasoned" members of our section were in attendance as well.) Kudos to Barbara Bintliff, committee chair, her committee members, and the volunteer actors for a highly informative and entertaining program. Reports of the other programs and roundtables presented in Philadelphia are printed elsewhere in this newsletter. Thanks to Paul George, education chair 1999, and his committee for their outstanding work.

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ALL-SIS is on the web! Visit the ALL-SIS Home Page at <http://www.aallnet.org/sis/allsis/> Electronic versions of *The ALL-SIS Newsletter* are available on our website, as well as other vital information. Contact David Burch, Website Manager (david.burch@lls.edu).

**Upcoming Deadline for the Next ALL-SIS Newsletter  
Thursday, February 8, 2001**

Please submit all articles and announcements to the ALL-SIS Newsletter editor on or before this date. Are you working on any interesting special projects? Have you attended a meeting and learned something you want to problems related to academic law librarianship? If you format, printed, faxed, or e-mailed will do, but it would be text or word processing file or as the body of an e-mail.



Are you working on any interesting special projects? Have you share with colleagues? Do you just want to rant and rave about some answered "yes" to any of these questions, please send your thoughts. Any easiest for Newsletter production if the article is sent either as an attached Thank you for your contributions and for your consideration.

*ALL-SIS was established in 1979 to promote interest in and to address issues of common concern to those employed in academic law libraries. The SIS serves as the umbrella organization for all interests--administration, collection development, consortia, directors, fees for service, interlibrary loan, public services, technical services, middle management, etc....*

*ALL-SIS provides opportunities for all librarians to contribute to the overall betterment of the entire academic law community. ALL-SIS has grown to more than 800 members and is the second largest SIS in AALL. Our members come from all aspects of academic law librarianship. Because of the SIS's broad coverage and subtopic focus, all those working in academic law libraries can benefit from membership and are encouraged to join.*

# Newsletter Format Survey

Would you rather have your *ALL-SIS Newsletter* delivered to your desktop instead of your mailbox? The ALL-SIS Executive Board has been discussing whether to adopt an electronic-only format for the newsletter, discontinuing the print version. (Currently the newsletter is available in paper and in HTML.) What's driving this discussion? The costs of an electronic newsletter are minimal, but recent ALL-SIS newsletters have cost \$1600 per issue for printing and mailing. We would like your input on this issue!!!

Which would you prefer?

- Continue the paper newsletter
- Switch to an electronic-only format
- No preference

Which format would you prefer for an electronic newsletter?

- PDF
- HTML
- Other (Please specify: \_\_\_\_\_)

Any comments?

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You can mail this survey to: Beth Smith, Ross-Blakley Law Library, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ 85287-7806 or send your responses over email to: [beth.smith@asu.edu](mailto:beth.smith@asu.edu).

# Convocation for Newer Academic Law Librarians (CONALL) Committee Academic Law Libraries Special Interest Section Annual Report 2000

The 2000 AALL Annual Meeting in Philadelphia saw the introduction of a new Academic SIS program: the Convocation for Newer Academic Law Libraries, or CONALL. The purpose of the program was to make academia a little less mysterious to newcomers to the profession, and at the same time encourage them to participate in Section activities. Almost 70 people attended, including approximately 40 self-identified newer librarians. The program succeeded in both its goals.

The largest portion of the program was a skit titled "Alice in LawLibraryLand." Authored primarily by Grace Mills and Rhea Ballard-Thrower, this production followed Alice through her first AALL Annual Meeting. Assisted by the White Rabbit, Alice met a variety of characters who helped answer her questions about AALL, law libraries, law schools, and universities. Among the more memorable characters were Dean Queen and the Tweedles (so referred to because neither thespian wished to be Tweedle-DUM, although both were willing to be "Dude"). The full cast list included:

*Alice: Ruth Hill*  
*White Rabbit: Ed Edmonds*  
*Dean Queen: Tory Trotta*  
*Professor with Chair: Pam Deemer*  
*Visiting Professor Ben Franklin: Mike Chiorazzi*  
*The Tweedles: Ted Potter and Kumar Percy*  
*Librarian 1: Beth Smith*  
*Librarian 2: Rosalie Sanderson*  
*Assistant Dean: Shaun Esposito*  
*Associate Dean: Marguerite Most*

*Moderator: Barbara Bintliff*  
*Videotaper: Suzanne Thorpe*

*Authors: Grace Mills and Rhea Ballard-Thrower, with the assistance of Barbara Bintliff*

Following the skit, the leadership of the SIS was introduced and the floor was opened to questions. A lively session followed, with questions from the newer librarians ranging from "can I call a law faculty member by his/her first name?" to "what can I, as a new librarian, offer to a committee" to "does it matter what kind of article I publish and in which journal it

appears?" Skit participants and audience members joined together to answer questions.

The final portion of the program was the introduction of the editors of the major law librarianship publications. Those in attendance included:

Peter Beck, *AALL Spectrum*  
Cindy Chick, *LLRX*  
Mike Chiorazzi, *Legal Reference Services Quarterly*  
Mark Estes, *Trends in Law Library Management and Technology*  
Mary Hotchkiss, *Perspectives: Teaching Legal Research and Writing*  
Frank Houdek, *Law Library Journal*  
Nina Wendt, *Legal Information Alert*

Each editor spoke briefly about the nature and purpose of his or her publication, types of articles accepted, audience, etc., and then attendees were allowed to ask questions. The time allotted for the program ended before the questions did, and informal discussions continued long after the program was over.

It is important to note that every member of the CONALL Committee was an active contributor to the development of the program and its production. Each Committee member deserves thanks from the SIS for a highly successful program.

Submitted by the CONALL Committee,  
Barbara Bintliff, Chair  
Rhea Ballard-Thrower  
Grace Mills  
Ted Potter  
Kumar Percy  
Suzanne Thorpe

# ALL-SIS Awards Committee 1999-2000 Annual Report

**Chair: Sally Holterhoff**

**Members: Merle Slyhoff, Beth Gemellaro**

The charge to this committee from ALL-SIS Chair Tory Trotta was "to plan and recommend an awards program for the ALL-SIS." The intent was for the program to honor appropriate achievements of section members and to be ready for presentation to the ALL-SIS Board by Dec. 1999, with the first awards to be presented at the 2000 AALL annual meeting.

The committee met in person at the 1999 annual meeting in Washington, D.C. We decided to concentrate on designing one award, for outstanding contributions to academic law librarianship. We also decided to give ourselves a much shorter deadline, with the hope that our award proposal would be approved by the ALL-SIS Board early in the fall, leaving plenty of time to advertise it and solicit nominations for 2000.

We worked on the proposal in August, modeling it on the Renee D. Chapman Memorial Award of the Technical Services SIS. We liked the idea of naming the award for a notable academic law librarian of the past. We thought that recognizing our roots could have an educational/inspirational purpose. We selected the name Frederick Charles Hicks from a list supplied at our request by Frank Houdek. Our completed draft proposal was sent to Tory and the ALL-SIS Board on August 30.

During the month of September, the Board considered the proposal and made some comments. The Awards Committee responded to these. Negotiations focused on such details as

- Giving preference in selection to a section member
- Necessity of requiring a CV for each nominee
- Does award recognize lifetime achievement, limiting it to those at the end of their careers?

- Who makes the final selection of winner, the committee or the SIS Board?
- Who presents the award?
- Is it possible to nominate oneself?

It was decided to state that preference in selection would be given to section members, that a CV would not be required but suggested, that the award is not given for lifetime achievement but would likely go to someone whose career is well-established, that the Awards Committee makes the final selection, that the SIS Chair will present the award at the Academic Reception at the AALL annual meeting, and that it be stated that self-nomination is allowed. Agreement was reached by the end of Sept., and we proceeded to publicize the award through various channels. Deadline for nominations for the 2000 award was set for Feb. 1, 2000.

We were attempting to meet the Sept. 15 deadline for the fall issue of the ALL-SIS newsletter, for which we did get an extension. (Newsletter came out at end of November.) Other publicity included an announcement on the ALL-SIS listserv and on Law-Lib, as well as posting on the ALL-SIS website. Award information on the website included a link to articles about F. C. Hicks, excerpted from issues of Law Library Journal. Tory made an announcement at the AALS meeting in January, at the library directors' breakfast.

By the Feb. 1 deadline we had received 7 nominations. Some nominations were received with minimal documentation. Two of the people nominated were not ALL-SIS members. We created a nominee ranking form and rated each nominee on our own and then compared notes. We were able to reach consensus via e-mail by early March and we communicated the winner's name to Tory.

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We informed Penny Hazelton of her selection as Hicks Award winner for 2000 by the end of March/beginning of April. We eventually

thanked all who had submitted names for consideration.

I wrote a press release about Penny's selection and sent it to her for corrections at the end of April. I arranged for the announcement to be printed in the Awards brochure for the AALL annual meeting, contacted the AALL Awards Committee Chair, and AALL Headquarters.

Other tasks completed in May include: posting an announcement on ALL-SIS listserv and website (with a link to Penny's personal website), and deciding on the wording for award plaques (one for Penny to keep and a permanent ALL-SIS Hicks Award plaque to be passed along year to year). An article about the Hicks Award winner was submitted for the SIS News column in the June issue of AALL Spectrum. The same article was sent to the ALL-SIS Newsletter for inclusion in the Spring 2000 issue. An AALL Press Release/broadcast e-mail was submitted to Roger Parent for approval on May 23 and it was sent out in mid-June.

We contacted Penny's staff in May for ideas, photos, etc. We had a display about Penny and the Hicks Award at the ALL-SIS table in the AALL Activities Area of the exhibit hall in Philadelphia, using some of the photos and articles loaned to us by Penny's staff. We submitted an article for the convention newsletter, which appeared in the Monday issue.

Ideas for the future:

- Possible sponsorship of the award (by an academic entity?) in order to provide a monetary award, similar to the Marta Lange/CQ Award of the American Library Association.
- Create other awards for the ALL-SIS, such as a Significant Publication Award.
- Write more specific directions for documentation required to be submitted with Hicks nominations—we had to do our own research in some cases this year.
- Keep Hicks Award information current on the ALL-SIS website.



ALL-SIS Chair Tory Trotta presents Hicks Award to Penny Hazelton



Hicks Award winner Penny Hazelton addresses ALL-SIS members in Philadelphia

### From Our Former Editor:

Dear ALL-SIS Members:

I wish to express my sincere thanks for "The ALL-SIS Appreciation Award" plaque that I received recently for my two years of service as editor for The ALL-SIS Newsletter. I proudly have placed the plaque on the wall of my office in The South Texas College of Law Library. When I look at the plaque, I pleasantly am reminded of the friends I have made in ALL-SIS during the past two years of my membership. I look forward to serving our growing organization in years to come...

Sincerely,  
James G. Durham  
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ALL-SIS Committee on Bylaws  
Annual Report  
1999-2000

The Committee on Bylaws, consisting of James Duggan, Janice Anderson and Mary Hood, chair, was asked to propose amendments to the section's bylaws to bring them into compliance with AALL's Bylaws.

The committee drafted and presented the following proposed bylaws to the Executive Committee. The proposed bylaws were published on the ALL website and published in the section's newsletter.

The proposed bylaws were presented to the section's membership at the annual business meeting held in Philadelphia on Sunday July 16, 2000. The bylaws were adopted by unanimous vote.

The proposed bylaws are set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Hood  
Chair, ALL Bylaws Committee Chair

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE BYLAWS

Article I: NAME

The name of this special interest section of the American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) shall be the Academic Law Libraries Section.

Article II: OBJECT-

~~The object of t~~ The Academic Law Libraries Section **is established:** shall be:

1. To provide a forum for the exchange of ideas and information on Academic Law Libraries; and
2. To represent its members' interests and concerns within the American Association of Law Libraries.

It shall conduct its affairs in conformity with the Constitution and Bylaws of the American Association of Law Libraries.

Article III: MEMBERSHIP

Membership shall be open to any AALL member requesting affiliation with the Academic Law Libraries Section as provided in the AALL bylaws.

Article IV: MEETINGS

There shall be an annual meeting of the Academic Law Libraries Section, held in connection with, or during, the annual meeting of the AALL.

Article V: OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

Section 1. Officers.

The officers shall consist of a Chair, a Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect, and a Secretary/Treasurer. The Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect shall automatically become chair one year after being elected Vice-Chair, and shall serve as Chair during the second year following that election. The Secretary/Treasurer shall be elected biennially.

#### Section 2. Duties of Officers.

The Chair, Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect and Secretary/Treasurer shall perform the duties usually pertaining to their respective offices, and such other duties as may be assigned by the Executive Committee of the membership.

#### Section 3. Executive Committee.

There shall be an Executive Committee consisting of the Officers named above, the immediate past Chair **and one (1) elected member. The elected member shall serve a term of two (2) years. All officers and members of the Executive Committee shall serve until the adjournment of the annual meeting at which their successors are announced. The duties of the Executive Committee shall be those usually assigned to such committees in similar associations.**

#### Section 4. Committees.

There shall be such standing or special committees as the Executive Committee, or the membership of the section, shall create. There shall be a standing Nominating Committee, appointed by the Executive Committee, to consist of three members, no one of whom shall be a member of the Executive Committee, and no one of whom shall be a candidate for office at the succeeding election. Each member of the Committee shall serve for a term of one year.

### Article VI: NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

#### Section 1. Nominating Committee.

The Nominating Committee shall submit the names of candidates for the office of Vice-Chair/Chair-elect, Secretary/Treasurer, **and the elected member**, together with their written acceptances, to the Chair **by January 30.** ~~in sufficient time to enable the Chair to inform the members of the Section of the nominations prior to April 1, either by publication in the AALL Newsletter, the SIS newsletter, or by mail.~~

In the event that the Vice-Chair/Chair-elect cannot assume the duties of Chair, and such fact is known prior to **January 15** ~~March 1~~, the Committee shall also submit the names of candidates for the office of Chair for the term of one year.

#### Section 2. Notification.

**The Executive Committee shall notify membership of the candidates proposed by the nominating committee by February 28. Notification to the membership can be by mail, ALL-SIS newsletter or broadcast email as the Executive Committee decides.**

#### Section 3. Nomination by Petition

Additional nominations may be made upon written petition of five (5) members of the Section. Such petitions, accompanied by written acceptance of the nominees, must be filed with the Chair by March 20.

#### ~~Section 2. Nomination by Petition.~~

~~Further nominations may be made upon written petition of five (5) members of the Section. Such petitions, accompanied by written acceptance of the nominees, must be filed with the Chair not later than May 1.~~

#### Section 4 3: Ballots.

The Secretary shall prepare an official ballot, including nominations by petition. The professional position of each nominee shall appear on the ballot.

#### Section 5 4. Election.

The Officers of the Section shall be elected by mail ballot. The Secretary shall mail ballots to each member of the Section **by April 1** ~~prior to May 15~~. Ballots shall be marked and returned to the Secretary **by April 25** ~~prior to June 10~~. The candidates receiving the largest number of votes for each office shall be declared elected, and shall be reported by the Secretary at the annual meeting of the Section. All candidates shall be notified of the results of election **by May 5** ~~at the earliest possible time~~.

#### Section 6 5. Tie Votes.

In case of a tie vote, a run-off election shall be held at the business meeting of the Section at the annual AALL convention. Run-off elections shall be by secret ballot. The ballots shall be immediately counted, and the candidate with the largest number of votes **shall be** declared elected.

#### Section 7 6. Destruction of Ballots.

If there are no challenges to the results of the election, the ballots may be destroyed by the Secretary after the annual meeting.

### Article VII: AMENDMENTS.

#### Section 1. **Bylaws.**

Bylaws of the Section may be adopted, amended or suspended at the annual meeting of the Section by a majority vote of the members present and voting. Or, bylaws may be adopted, amended, or suspended through a mail ballot. Whenever the bylaws are to be changed by mail vote, the Secretary shall mail ballots to every member in good standing of the Section. Such ballots shall state the text of the proposed change, the purpose of the change, and the date by which ballots must be returned to the Secretary. Proposed changes in the bylaws by mail must receive a majority vote of the ballots returned to the Secretary in order to pass. Tie votes shall be considered failure to pass.

#### Section 2. **Effect.**

Any amendment shall take effect after it has been approved by the AALL Executive Board.

### Article VIII: PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY.

~~Robert's Rules of Order~~ **Sturgis Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure**, in the latest edition, shall govern all deliberations of the Section when not in conflict with the bylaws of the Section.

ANNUAL REPORT  
ACADEMIC LAW LIBRARIES SPECIAL INTEREST SECTION  
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF LAW LIBRARIES

The officers of the ALL-SIS for 1999-2000 were Victoria K. Trotta, Chair; Ruth J. Hill, Vice Chair, Chair-elect; Marguerite Most, Secretary-Treasurer; Ed Edmonds, Past Chair. Rosalie Sanderson was elected Vice Chair, Chair-Elect and Beth Smith was elected Secretary-Treasurer for 2000-2001.

The ALL-SIS membership currently stands at approximately 850 members. The ALL-SIS webpage editor, Beth Smith (<http://www.aallnet.org/sis/allsis>), updated and expanded its content, and now includes the newsletter archive, and additional documents of interest and concern to the members of the Section. The Section Newsletter was published three times, under the editorship of James Durham.

The goals for the year were to strengthen the infrastructure of the Section, and to identify and develop leadership opportunities and initiatives that could involve more section members in the work of the Section, beyond planning for the Annual Meeting programs. To this end, a bylaws amendment was adopted to add a member at large to the Executive Committee. Other bylaws changes were made to conform with various requirements imposed by the AALL. The Bylaws Committee was chaired by Mary Hood.

An awards program was initiated, chaired by Sally Holterhoff. The first award developed was the Frederick Charles Hicks Award. This awards a section member for outstanding service to academic law librarianship. Penny Hazelton is the inaugural recipient of this award. The award was presented at the ALL-SIS reception.

The ALL-SIS annual meeting activities included a formal business meeting, a Directors' Breakfast, a Middle Managers' Breakfast and an all Section luncheon. Local arrangements chairs for these events were Larry Meyer, Joyce Janto and Elizabeth Schneider. In addition, the popular annual evening reception was held at the Biddle Law Library, under the direction of Ed Greenlee. A new program, Convocation for Newer Academic Law Librarians (CONALL), chaired by Barbara Bintliff, was developed and initiated, as part of a larger association mentoring program. The Education Chair was Dwight King. Last year's Education Chair, Paul George, shepherded four programs through to presentation, on advanced legal research; staff training; the ABA accreditation process; and career renewal for the experienced law librarian. In addition, roundtables for legal research, statistics, continuing status and tenure, and vendor dialog were also held. Section event sponsors included West Group, Lexis Publishing and Law.com.

The success of the section is the work of many of its members, only some of whom are mentioned in this report. Their contributions are greatly appreciated.

Victoria K. Trotta, Chair

# Institute on 21<sup>st</sup> Century Librarianship

submitted by Ruth Levor

The stately Stanford University campus was the setting for the First Annual Stanford/California State Library Institute on 21<sup>st</sup> Century Librarianship, and the mood was irrepressible high energy! Nearly 140 librarians from all types of libraries and from all across the U.S. as well as Canada, Australia and Africa, gathered for a week in August to hash out the growing pains of our profession in the face of the sea changes that technology has wrought. Representing law libraries were Michele Finerty, Orange County Law Library, Ruth Levor, University of San Diego Legal Research Center, and Diane Reynolds, Los Angeles County Law Library. While a week in August in Palo Alto may not be everyone's idea of paradise, the climate was certainly more temperate than the level of mind-bending activity!

Each day got off to a rousing start with two essential staples: a fare of excellent food and outstanding, high energy, high level speakers! The event began with a call to arms from California State Librarian Kevin Starr, exhorting the participants to sample fully from the cornucopia of opportunities to learn and develop that were planned for the week. And for the next six days, participants were alternately fed by some of Stanford's top class chefs and worked by the Institute's hard driving Executive Director, Anne Marie Gold.

Most galvanizing of all were the members of the team of experts that was assembled to guide librarians in their quest for solutions to the questions of how to best optimize the integration of technology into our service programs. Pulitzer Prize-winning historian and Stanford Professor David Kennedy focused our thinking about adaptive leadership with a brilliant analysis of Dwight David Eisenhower in his talk, "The Warrior and the President." Senior Correspondent Andrew Leonard of the online magazine *Salon.com* and Ekaterina Walsh, Young Consumer Analyst for Forrester Technographics, sent us careening into the world, minds, and online habits and activities of Generation Y, the entering class of potential library patrons, and into the emerging forms of

"publishing" (already an anachronistic term?). Mike Keller, who serves as Stanford University Librarian, Director of Academic Information Resources, Publisher of HighWire Press, and Publisher of the Stanford University Press, serenaded the group with "This Magic Moment" as he charted in detail the many new courses for information professionals to travel and urged us to also consider the implications of preservation of digital information. And Amal Johnson of Weiss, Peck & Greer Venture Partners, a technology-focused venture capital firm, spoke from the vantage point of a successful businesswoman about new corporate and management structures for operating efficiently and effectively in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

And those were just the appetizers! There were discussion groups led by the Institute Advisory Team and workshops led by dynamic experts such as Susan Kent, Los Angeles City Librarian, Eugenie Prime, Manager of Corporate Libraries at Hewlett-Packard in Palo Alto, Dan Greenstein, Director of the Digital Library Foundation, Joey Rodger, President of the Urban Library Council, and the list goes on and on. There were case study assignments for participants to solve and presentations for them to prepare. Many of these presentations, as well as many of the conference handouts, will eventually be available at <http://institute21.stanford.edu>. For librarians interested in not just remaining relevant but forging ahead in the quest to provide and to mediate free and open access to information in the 21<sup>st</sup> century, I heartily recommend that you visit the site and seriously consider attending a future institute.

## Academic Law Libraries SIS – Business Meeting

Sunday, July 16, 2000 in Philadelphia

Chair Tory Trotta opened the meeting at 7:15 am with a rap of the Section's new gavel and a thank you to all attending. Tory introduced the Executive Board, Past Chair Ed Edmunds, Chair-Elect Ruth Hill, and Secretary-Treasurer Marguerite Most, and asked for officers' and committee reports.

### 1. Officers' Reports

#### ***Secretary-Treasurer Marguerite Most***

The minutes of the 1999 Business Meeting were approved as posted on the website. The balance in the Section's account as of July, was \$13,871.00.

The election for new officers was held by mail ballot in the spring. Rosalie Sanderson was elected Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect and Beth Smith was elected Secretary-Treasurer. Marguerite thanked Susan Lewis-Somers and Anna Teller, who served on the Nominations Committee this year, and our candidates - Paul George, Rosalie Sanderson, Carmela Kinslow and Beth Smith.

#### ***Chair Tory Trotta***

After thanking the many SIS volunteers for their work this year, Tory outlined the goals of the SIS for the year: to strengthen the infrastructure of the Section; and to identify and develop leadership opportunities and initiatives that could involve more members in the Section, beyond planning for the Annual meeting program.

Tory thanked the Biddle Law Library for hosting this year's reception, and recognized Lexis/Nexis, Law.com and the West Group for their financial support for meeting events.

Tory reported that the SIS now numbers approximately 850 members, but that there are still many academic law librarians who are not members and that the Section should continue its efforts to expand membership.

Tory highlighted some of this year's achievements: the creation of the Hicks award and the selection of its first recipient; the first CONALL program for newer academic law librarians; the acceptance of 4 program proposals for the annual meeting; the expansion of the SIS webpage and the continued publishing success of the newsletter; the preparation of an annual meeting archives table exhibit; and ALL-SIS contributions to the AALL Millennium time capsule.

### 2. Committee Reports

#### ***Local Arrangements***

Chairs Larry Meyer, Joyce Janto and Elizabeth Schneider arranged a variety of SIS activities including the formal business meeting, a Directors' meeting, a Middle Managers Breakfast and an all Section luncheon. In addition, the annual evening reception was held at the Biddle Law Library under the direction of Ed Greenlee.

#### ***Education***

Dwight King reported that the Section submitted 10 program proposals for this year's annual meeting. Four of these were accepted:

Teaching Advanced Legal Research: Law Librarians as "Leaders of the Pack".

The ABA Reaccreditation Visit: Process and Preparation.

Training Your Staff for the Institution as Well as the Job: The Gateway to a More Knowledgeable Staff.

Gateway to Career Renewal: Paths for the More Experienced Librarian.

#### ***Publications and Advertising***

Tory thanked Beth Smith for her work as webmaster. The website has expanded and now includes the newsletter archives and other documents of interest to SIS members. Beth reported that David Burch has agreed to take over as webmaster.

Tory thanked James Durham for another terrific year as editor. The newsletter was published three times this year, and has greatly expanded in content under James' editorship. She announced that Shaun Esposito will assume the editorship for the upcoming year.

### **CONALL**

Barbara Bintliff, who conceived of and chaired this new program as part of a larger association mentoring program explained that CONALL was an orientation program for new law librarians, but was open to all. The program was divided into two parts: Alice in Law Library Land, a skit designed to introduce the cast of characters a new librarian might meet on the job; and a panel discussion and break out sessions with editors in the legal publishing community.

### **Awards**

Sally Holterhoff, ALL-SIS Awards Committee Chair, explained the charge to the Committee: to create an ALL-SIS award to honor outstanding contributions to academic law librarianship by an individual or group. The award will be called the Frederick Charles Hicks Award after the first great American law librarian/scholar. Professor Hicks was the first academic law librarian to be President of AALL.

Penny Hazelton (Professor of Law and Law Librarian at the University of Washington's Gallagher Law Library) is the first recipient of the new Hicks Award. The 2000 Frederick Charles Hicks Award was presented at the ALL-SIS Reception at the University of Pennsylvania's Biddle Law Library, during the AALL Annual Meeting.

### **Nominations**

Tory thanked the Committee and formally introduced new officers: Rosalie Sanderson and Beth Smith.

## **3. Special Advisory Working Groups/Roundtables**

Tory reported that the Section is sponsoring a variety of Roundtables during the annual meeting.

### **ABA Statistics**

Chaired by Bruce Johnson. ABA gurus and Bruce will lead a discussion on the nature of revised Part 3 of the questionnaire and how staff reporting has changed. The latest edition is available on the ALL-SIS website.

### **Statistics**

Chaired by Mila Rush. Discussion centered on identifying statistical parameters (beyond those required by the ABA) that would be useful for law librarians to compile and share.

### **Continuing Status/Tenure**

Chaired by Susan Phillips. The Working Group identified a number of questions for discussion at this Roundtable including: How can the Section take a more active role in supporting its members? Would a database of academic benefits at law schools be useful? Are there publications addressing the evaluating process, which the Section could share?

### **Legal Research**

Chaired by Faye Jones. Depending on the interests of those attending, this Roundtable discussion addressed a number of topics related to teaching legal research.

### **Dialog with Vendors**

Chaired by Rosalie Sanderson. This session is designed to give attendees an opportunity to talk with key persons within the West Group and Lexis.

#### **4. Proposed Bylaws Amendments - Presentation and Vote**

Mary Hood, Committee chair, reported that the Committee was asked to bring the current bylaws into conformity with AALL bylaws, and more specifically to examine the current election process and to add a member at large.

After some discussion a motion was made and seconded that the changes be accepted; the motion passed unanimously.

#### **5. Other Business**

Kit Kreilick, Fordham Law Library, reported on a newly formed Task Force for Interactive Legal Research, which is talking with CALI about the development of web-based legal research exercises. These exercises would be interactive "Lessonettes" which would focus on the use of one particular tool.

#### **6. Vice Chair/Chair Elect's Report**

Ruth thanked everyone for coming at such an early hour. Her special thanks went to Dwight King and his Committee for their work preparing program proposals for next year's meeting in Minneapolis. She noted that there are many Committees in the Section and urged everyone to volunteer.

She introduced Shaun Esposito, the new editor of the Section newsletter, and Rosalie Sanderson, incoming Vice Chair/Chair-Elect. Rosalie urged everyone to submit program proposals for the next annual meeting to Tim Coggins who has agreed to serve as Education chair for the 2002 meeting.

Ruth announced that Paul George has been appointed to serve a one year interim term until the election of a member to fill the newly-created member at large position on the Executive Committee.

Ruth congratulated ALL-SIS members Barbara Bintliff and Sally Holterhoff on their election to positions within AALL at the national level. Sally has been elected to the Executive Board and Barbara will serve as Vice President/ President-Elect.

Among the goals she mentioned for the upcoming year are: continuing the Awards program begun this year and establishing additional awards; continuing the Roundtables; and strategic planning.

Respectfully submitted,

Marguerite Most

## Notes from the Statistics Roundtable of the ALL Section of AALL

Chair Mila Rush from the University of Minnesota called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m., Tuesday July 18, 2000.

All committee members were in attendance. (Mark Folmsbee, Washburn University; Pauline Aranas, Vanderbilt University and Larry Meyer, University of LaVerne) 15 additional attendees signed in.

The chair began the meeting by briefly introducing the committee and its charge. Chair Rush also announced that the attendees were encouraged to participate in the discussion as well as asking questions of committee members and other attendees.

The chair then introduced Mark Folmsbee from Washburn. Mr. Folmsbee introduced the prototype (available at Washlaw-services-find) he has developed to aid in the gathering of data/statistics.

Discussion ensued on electronic data-gathering prototypes. Audience members were asked what statistics/reports could be gathered and/or be made available electronically. In response to an audience question regarding the sharing of ABA responses to questions from individual libraries, Mr. Folmsbee mentioned the existence of an ABA listserv where questions and responses could be posted.

Audience and committee members raised a number of additional issues. These included a concern about copyright and proprietary issues; a web-based survey of what libraries would like to see included in collected statistics and an attempt to establish peer groups among libraries.

Chair Rush presented the working group's recommendations for discussion. Audience members generally supported continued action on each of the items. One participant felt recommendation A would be particularly useful.

It was recommended to next year's committee that a survey instrument be constructed that could be presented at next year's convention. Mr. Meyer asked audience members if there might be additional state or regional agencies and bodies that might need to be included. Audience members generally voiced agreement that the survey should find out what measurements/statistics libraries might want/need other than those they need to keep for ABA, ARL and other similar surveys. It was suggested that this instrument might also be used to gather salary

information.

Discussion of future agenda items for the Statistics Working Group followed. The attendees were in agreement that future roundtables should be held. After some discussion on coordinating efforts with the ABA Library group, the chair volunteered to correspond with Bruce Johnson.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.  
Submitted by Larry Meyer, University of LaVerne.

### **American Association of Law Libraries Call for Papers**

Have you been thinking about writing an article about law librarianship? Or are you already writing an article and just need an incentive to finish? If yes, read on! The AALL/LEXIS Publishing Call for Papers Committee eagerly solicits your articles for its annual competition. The objectives of the contest are threefold: 1) to promote scholarship among practicing law librarians and in areas of interest to the profession; 2) to provide a creative outlet for law librarians and a forum for their scholarly activities; and 3) to recognize the scholarly efforts of established members, new members, and potential members of AALL.

Up to three winning authors will receive a prize of \$750, generously donated by LEXIS Publishing. The recipients will be recognized during award ceremonies at the Association Luncheon of the AALL Annual Meeting. Winners also will present their papers in a program at the Annual Meeting and the paper will be considered for publication in the Law Library Journal.

Visit AALLNET at  
[http://www.aallnet.org/about/award\\_call\\_for\\_papers.asp](http://www.aallnet.org/about/award_call_for_papers.asp)  
for more information, including selection criteria and application procedures. Submissions must be postmarked by March 1, 2001. Good Luck!

Questions? Contact a member of the Call for Papers Committee: Adeen Postar (chair) at [ajp@dejlw.com](mailto:ajp@dejlw.com), Karen Beck at [beckka@bc.edu](mailto:beckka@bc.edu), or Maria Protti at [Maria\\_Protti@ci.sf.ca.us](mailto:Maria_Protti@ci.sf.ca.us).

## Working Group Continuing Status/Tenure Roundtable

The Academic Law Libraries SIS Working Group on Continuing Status/Tenure held a roundtable on Monday, July 17, 2000. Approximately seven people including the chair attended and participated in the discussion which covered two general topics: 1) marketing of librarians and 2) continuing status/tenure of librarians.

The discussion began with the chair addressing how she became involved in this group. About a year ago, her university was trying to reduce the benefits that the librarians enjoyed as faculty and substitute substantially decreased benefits of staff. Even though the librarians still held the rank of faculty within the university. The librarians decided to challenge the university's actions and set out to find documentation to support their position. The librarians turned to their profession's national organization hoping to find support. What they found was that the association really had nothing in place to aid their cause. In addition, they were pointed to the Academic Law Libraries SIS as the group that would handle such matters. Although the ALL-SIS currently had nothing in place to help the librarians, Tory Trotta, the chair, suggested the librarians participate in the Continuing Status/Tenure working group.

With this explanation said, the group began discussing the issues. There was some discussion as to whether or not the professional organization should be an advocacy group. Most people agreed that advocacy was a role the association should play. There was also discussion that a policy that may be good for one institution may not be beneficial to another institution. For example, tenure may be good for one university but another university may be better off with long-term employment contracts due to state employment laws. Many librarians in the academic arena are finding the need and desire for support from their professional association.

The discussion moved to the question "What can the ALL-SIS do for academic librarians?" Many ideas were discussed including that the

working group should do the following:

- Compile a bank of articles dealing with the topics;
- Write a "Brief of Value";
- Bank of policies from other universities so people could look at how others do it. Policies could include vacation, sick leave, continuing status and tenure. The policies could be posted with the universities' names being redacted;
- Develop a marketing program within the law school that would market librarians, not just the library;
- Sponsor a program emphasizing librarians at the AALS annual meeting;
- Gather ideas on how to get people into the library; and
- Compile recommendations of documents librarians should put in their continuing status/tenure portfolios.

The group had some really good ideas. Obviously, completing these tasks will be a major undertaking. Anyone interested in volunteering their time, energy or ideas is welcome to contribute. Please contact Susan Phillips at [sphillips@law.txwes.edu](mailto:sphillips@law.txwes.edu).

Submitted by Susan T. Phillips  
Director of the Law Library  
Texas Wesleyan University School of Law

## CALI/ALL-SIS Web Research Lessonette™ Project

submitted by Kristine (Kit) R. Kreilick, Assoc. Law Librarian for Technology, Fordham Law Library

One of the programs presented at this year's CALI conference in Chicago was on creating web-based interactive exercises on legal research. Gretchen VanDam and Fred Barnhardt from the Chicago-Kent Law School Information Center and Petal Kinder, from Monash University both demonstrated some wonderful exercises they had developed to teach legal research skills. Also part of that conference was a presentation on CALI's new approach to lesson development, which breaks down topics into small pieces upon which a short-form (15- 45 minute) lesson, (a/k/a "lessonette", a term now trademarked by CALI) may be built. Following that program, a group of law librarian attendees had dinner together, and talked about ways we could create these sorts of exercises without each of us "reinventing the wheel."

CALI has been soliciting and paying law school faculty authors to develop exercises for the first year law school subjects, but their emphasis is on the "substantive" courses. Criminal law was done last year, and Property is the focus for this year. For more information on this effort, the topic grids and the concept of the lessonette™, I refer you to the Topic Grids link on the CALI website:

<http://www.cali.org/fellows/grids/OriginOfTheGrids.html>

In the present timetable, it will be several years before Legal Research comes up in the rotation.

We don't want to wait that long! One of the diners in the group (and yes, it was a great meal, too!) was Tory Trotta, our immediate past Section Chair, who felt strongly that the Academic SIS should take this on as a project in conjunction with CALI. Thus was this project born!

The steering committee for this venture is: myself as chair, Nancy Johnson, Tory Trotta, and Sally Wise. John Mayer from CALI and Liz Kelly who is on the CALI Board are serving as consultants. The group is

currently focusing on developing the "topic grid" for Legal Research. Deb Quentel of the CALI staff had a preliminary draft prepared and we are working to flesh it out. The current plan is to have a draft of the grid prepared by the end of October which will then be circulated via the ALL-SIS and LAWLIB listservs for comment and suggestions. We hope to finalize a working version by the AALS Conference at the beginning of January.

Once the grids have been established, we will be inviting those librarians and faculty who are interested to submit one-page proposals for computer/web-based training materials for specific topics in the grid. Proposals will be reviewed by the Steering Group and CALI's Director of Curriculum Development, Deb Quentel, and CALI will pay authors of accepted proposals a \$250 deposit and \$750 upon completion of the exercise! Accepted authors sign a contract with CALI to produce the exercise, and CALI will provide technical and authoring assistance. CALI has a limited budget, so we will only be able to go ahead with about 25 exercises this year, but that will be a great start!

There are still many details of substance and procedure to work out, but CALI will be posting information about this project on its website by the end of October. Interested section members who might wish to comment on the topic grid or author an exercise should stay tuned to the listservs, the CALI website, and this newsletter for further information. You may also contact me directly with specific inquiries: [kkreilick@law.fordham.edu](mailto:kkreilick@law.fordham.edu). Thanks.

## ALL-SIS Legal Research Roundtable Meeting

The Roundtable on Legal Research met on Tuesday, July 18, 2000, from 12:15-1:30. The 29 participants present had an intense, informative, and wide-ranging discussion on many topics related to teaching an Advanced Legal Research course. The goal of the meeting, as set by ALL-SIS Chair Tory Trotta, was to build on the momentum started in the Roundtable held at the 1999 AALL Annual Meeting as well as to develop ideas for how ALL-SIS could fill a leadership role within AALL on the teaching of Advanced Legal Research.

### CREATING AN ALL-SIS LEADERSHIP ROLE:

Faye Jones, Roundtable leader, opened the discussion by asking participants to present ideas on how to create a leadership role for ALL-SIS. Here is a synopsis of the ideas suggested:

1. Hold a workshop for teachers of legal research classes where syllabi could be compared and information shared on what was effective.
2. Present workshops for librarians on how to be effective teachers.
3. Librarians should take advantage of the opportunity to write interactive lessons for CALL, including "Lecturettes," 10-45 minute short lectures, and "Lessonettes." Kit Kreilick will distribute information on the listserv on the CALL contest which carries a \$1,000 award and publication for the best entries.
4. ALL-SIS could sponsor a program or a two-part program at an AALL meeting on the theory and application of active learning and teaching adults.
5. Develop a forum for exchanging effective techniques such as experiments in student participation in Advanced Legal Research classes through leading classes or teaching in-class segments.

Sara Robbins asked that unique or unusually effective ideas on teaching be passed along to her in preparation for a text on Advanced Legal Research which she plans to work on during her sabbatical next year.

### GAINING APPROVAL TO TEACH A COURSE:

The discussion then turned to how to gain approval to teach an Advanced Legal Research course since

such a course is not offered at all schools. The following is a summary of the ideas presented on how to gain approval based on the experiences of participants:

1. Offer a half a semester, 1 credit course on a subject such as International and Foreign law; make sure it is targeted but still evaluated. From this beginning, the course grew into a 2 credit course and became a regular part of the curriculum.
2. Base your course proposal on the large number of student requests for classes and gear offerings to students in subject specialty journal or concentration.

Look for support in a forthcoming article by Ann Hemmens, UW, who is updating Blair Kaufman's article on Advanced Legal Research course for her MLS thesis.

### OUR SUCCESSES:

The Roundtable then spent some time discussing "What have our successes been?" Here are some things to lift your spirits on a slow day:

1. Doing a legal research class that was state-specific for New Jersey was a winner with students.
2. Use of PowerPoint cut down on boring readings and engaged students more.
3. Students prepared their final research guide in Web format.
4. Critical thinking was encouraged by ungraded assignments in which students evaluated a law-related Web site or print resources.
5. Many participants find pathfinders a tried and true tool.
6. Some schools are posting the best ones on the Law Library Web site and cataloging them in the OPAC for access by others. See [valpo.edu/law/libservices/libpub](http://valpo.edu/law/libservices/libpub) then link within that area.
7. Use TWEN or Virtual Classroom.
8. A "Web Site of the Week" Contest with chocolate bars to student winners was very popular with students. Groundwork was laid by giving out materials on Web site evaluation.

## COURSE CONSTRUCTION:

A discussion followed on student feedback on course construction. A common complaint of students is that Advanced Legal Research courses are lots of work for too little credit. As a result, some faculty have gone away from "treasure hunts" to basing the grade on a major path-finder at the end of the semester with a series of smaller projects in between which were submitted and evaluated separately from the final project. Suggestions for meeting student needs included:

1. Provide a checklist for grading criteria when the project is assigned.
2. Asking to raise the course to 3 credits has been effective at some schools.
3. Conduct a needs assessment at the beginning of the class and give that same assessment to the students at the end of the class to give them feedback on their progress.

## CONCLUSION:

The Roundtable returned to the original topic of how to develop a leadership role for ALL-SIS in teaching Advanced Legal Research and made these suggestions:

1. Participate in developing training programs in law firms.
2. Put useful materials up on Web sites and publicize them.
3. Put more content on the ALL-SIS home page and promote it as a central site for Advanced Legal Research course and teaching information.
4. Update the Advanced Legal Research syllabi site created by Katherine Tooley and place syllabi on the ALL-SIS site.

Watch for new materials on the ALL-SIS home page to be posted by David Burch. These developments will also be covered in the ALL-SIS Newsletter. Faye Jones, Roundtable Leader, will create an email address list for all participants to allow more communication. (I hope to have this done by the end of September.) Please send me an email if you were unable to attend but would like to have your email

address included. Finally, if I left out a great idea that was mentioned at the Roundtable, please let me know so I can pass it along to the participants or put it in another Newsletter article. Thanks to all of the participants in the Roundtable for their enthusiasm, professionalism and commitment to the teaching of Advanced Legal Research!

Faye Jones,

Legal Research Roundtable

**The ALL-SIS Nominations Committee is soliciting nominations for candidates to run for the following elective positions:**

Vice Chair/Chair-Elect  
Executive Board

Please contact Anna Teller (ateller@law.txwes.edu) or Susan Lewis-Somers (slewis@wcl.american.edu) by December 1, 2000 to give us the names of colleagues that you believe would make good candidates for these elective positions.

We appreciate your help.

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## **FREDERICK CHARLES HICKS AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO ACADEMIC LAW LIBRARIANSHIP**

This annual award recognizes an individual or group who has made outstanding contributions to academic law librarianship through continued efforts to improve law librarianship. The award, presented by the Academic Law Libraries Special Interest Section (ALL-SIS) of the American Association of Law Libraries, is named in honor of Frederick Charles Hicks, the first great American law librarian/scholar who was also the first academic law librarian to serve as president of AALL.

### **Criteria:**

A nominee can be an individual or a group, and should exhibit extended and sustained contributions in one or more of the following areas:

- History of contributions to the field of law librarianship through research, publications and other activities displaying an active participation in the advancement of academic law librarianship
- Achievement in a particular area of academic law librarianship
- Service to AALL
- Service to the ALL-SIS

### **Submission Procedure:**

Individuals may nominate themselves or others. Preference will be given to members of the ALL-SIS.

Nominations must include:

- a letter of nomination, including the candidate's full name, title; and institution name and address. If the candidate is retired, include name, home address, and most recent former employer.
- a narrative supporting the nomination, to include a discussion of the candidate's contributions to academic law librarianship
- a curriculum vitae of the candidate
- the name and phone number of the nominating party

The award will be presented annually at the discretion of the Awards Committee.

Nomination packets may be sent to the ALL-SIS Awards Committee Chair, Merle J. Slyhoff, University of Pennsylvania Law Library, 3460 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104. Questions can be directed to the chair at 215-898-9013, or [mslyoff@law.upenn.edu](mailto:mslyoff@law.upenn.edu).

**Deadline:** February 1, 2001

### **Previous Recipients:**

Penny Hazelton, 2000, University of Washington

## Orlando, Florida in July 2002 – Great Program Ideas Needed

Yes, I know. You just finished on August 14 with your program ideas for the 2001 Annual Meeting in Minneapolis, but it **really** is time for the Academic Law Libraries Special Interest Section to begin development of program proposals for the 2002 Annual Meeting. The 2002 Annual Meeting is scheduled for Orlando, Florida at the Orange County Convention Center, July 20 - July 24, 2002.

The 2002 ALL-SIS Education Committee needs your help to develop proposals for programs that you believe would be important to your academic and other law library colleagues. Program proposals for the 2002 Annual Meeting will be due in August, 2001, but let's start now so we can have some great proposals to submit to Tory Trotta, chair of the 2002 Annual Meeting Program Committee, and her committee members.

You might think about some of the following questions to generate ideas for a program and/or workshop proposal. What issues concern you? What do you see as some of the important challenges facing academic law libraries, law libraries generally, the library profession, and you personally in the coming years? What are some professional issues that you have faced in the past few years? Would a discussion of these issues benefit other law librarians? Did you attend some programs in Philadelphia or Washington, D.C. that need some follow-up? Or maybe there was a program that you attended and a more in-depth investigation of the issue in a workshop setting might be beneficial?

The 2002 ALL-SIS Education Committee members are:

Timothy L. Coggins, Chair (University of Richmond)  
Marlene Bublick (Loyola University- Los Angeles)  
Lynn Hartke (Southern Illinois University)  
Carole Hinchcliff (Ohio State University)  
Charles Oates (Regent University)  
George Pike (University of Pittsburgh)  
Rosalie Sanderson, Board Liaison (Emory University)

There are a couple of options. You can develop fully a program yourself and request that the ALL-SIS be a sponsor of your program. You can provide us with an idea, and the committee will develop the program proposal. Contact us and let us know your ideas.

See you in Orlando in July, 2002.-- Timothy L. Coggins, Chair, ALL-SIS Education Committee - 2002

### Member News & Updates

Georgia Briscoe, Associate Director and Head of Technical Services at the University of Colorado Law Library, published an article entitled "Climb High: High Altitude Mountaineering Lessons for Librarians" in the Spring 2000 issue of Law Library Journal (v. 92, no. 2).

Rob Richards, Technical Services Librarian at the University of Colorado Law Library, was elected Secretary/Treasurer of the AALL Government Documents SIS.

Karen Selden, Catalog Librarian at the University of Colorado Law Library, was recently elected Secretary of CoALL (Colorado Association of Law Libraries) for the 2000-2001 term.

On September 15, 2000, Al Dong, Reference Librarian at the University of Denver's Westminster Law Library, presented a program at the Colorado Library Association's 2000 Conference in Snowmass Village, Colorado. Al's program was entitled "Colorado Legislative Process and Legislative Intent."

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