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BOORSTIN TO HEAD LC

Daniel J. Boorstin, Pulitzer Prize-winning American historian, was named Librarian of Congress to fill the post vacant since the retirement of L. Quincy Mumford. After extensive hearings, the Senate Rules Committee unanimously approved Boorstin's nomination and Senate confirmation came on September 26, 1975. ■

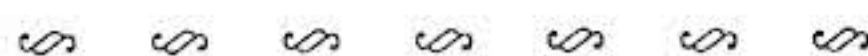


SCLL MEMBER HONORED

Margaret Setliff, co-founder of SCLL and immediate past Chairperson, was honored by the Hawaii Bar Association in May, 1975.

The coveted "Liberty Bell" award, presented annually to the state resident who has best served to strengthen the effectiveness of the American system of freedom and government, was presented to Mrs. Setliff at the Association's annual Law Day luncheon.

Making the presentation was State Deputy Attorney General Michael Marsh who noted that Mrs. Setliff helped organize the State law library system and spearheaded a project to install a library within the Hawaii State prison. She has been with the Hawaii Supreme Court Law Library since 1962, and is a lecturer in the University of Hawaii Graduate School of Library Studies. ■



FTC ISSUES GUIDES

On August 8, 1975, six years after an article in *American Bar Association Journal* (55 A.B.A.J. 553) stated that "combined effort of lawbook purchasers and appropriate government intervention seem to be the only answer" to the need for protection for lawbook consumers, the Federal Trade Commission promulgated its *Guides for the Law Book Industry* (40 Fed. Reg. 33436, as corrected, 40 Fed. Reg. 36116). The Guides are the lowest of three levels of possible Commission regulation: trade regulation rules, trade practice rules, and guides. Lawbook consumers should exercise care to ensure maximum protection by the Guides.

The Guides concern four main areas: 1) Deceptive advertising; 2) Failure to disclose actual cost, frequency, and content of supplementary services; 3) Unsolicited material; and 4) Questionable billing practices. The industry product to be regulated includes virtually all forms of material "designed primarily for use by members of the law profession and by law schools," except second-hand or used material.

The introduction to the Guides states that the Guides should help the lawbook purchaser by making "accurate and truthful information readily available so (cont. on page 2)

STANDARDS DISCUSSED AT INSTITUTE

The 1975 AALL Institute on Law Library Administration included a session for the state and court librarians to develop a set of standards for law librarians and court administrators. ■

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