

TS-SIS Online

TS-SIS members are automatically enrolled in our e-mail discussion group where they can take advantage of the members' expertise by asking questions of the group or by browsing past postings on topics of interest.

The TS-SIS Web site, www.aallnet.org/sis/tssis, offers current and historical information about the section and provides contact information for officers and committee members, as well as a general members list. It provides news of upcoming events, as well as the bylaws and section handbook, and lists additional available resources.

Newsletter



The official online newsletter of the TS-SIS and OBS-SIS is *Technical Services Law Librarian (TSLL)*. Editorial policy states that it will carry reports of AALL Annual Meeting programs, act as the vehicle of communication for SIS committee activities, carry current awareness reports, and publish regular columns and special articles. *TSLL* has an editor, a business manager, and an editorial board, jointly appointed by the TS-SIS and OBS-SIS. Columnists report on various topics of concern to both sections. *TSLL* is freely available on the Web at: www.aallnet.org/sis/tssis/tsll/index.htm.

Becoming a Member

The TS-SIS has nearly 700 members from all types of law libraries and includes all levels of experience. To join, you must be an AALL Member. Visit the "How to Join TS-SIS" section of the Web site at www.aallnet.org/sis/tssis/jointssis or complete and return the form as indicated below.

TS-SIS Membership Form

Name _____
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Please return the completed form and your check for \$15 (payable to AALL) to:

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American Association of Law Libraries
53 W. Jackson Blvd., Suite 940
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Or register via the Internet on AALLNET at www.aallnet.org/sis. Select "Sign up here" for the online form.



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Technical Services



Promoting the communication of ideas, interests, and research in all areas of law library technical services, including acquisitions, cataloging and classification, preservation, binding, serials control, and management.

Special Interest Section



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History and Purpose

Established in 1979, the Technical Services Special Interest Section (TS-SIS) promotes the communication of ideas, interests, and research in all areas of law library technical services, including acquisitions, cataloging and classification, preservation, binding, serials control, and management.

Meetings

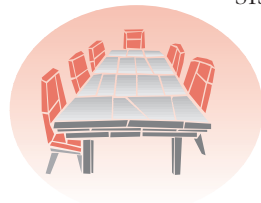
The TS-SIS Annual Business Meeting is held during the AALL Annual Meeting and Conference. Committees, roundtables, and discussion groups also meet during the AALL Conference. All of these meetings are open to any AALL Conference attendees.

Roundtables

Roundtables meet in a forum setting during the AALL Annual Meeting to discuss a variety of timely topics affecting our profession. Past roundtables have included:

- Acquisitions
- Cataloging and Classification
- Heads of Cataloging
- Management Issues
- New Catalogers
- Preservation and Binding
- Rare Book Catalogers.

Standing Committees



Four standing committees are the heart of TS-SIS. Committee chairs often conduct surveys, study problems and areas of concern, and plan educational activities on topics of interest to their constituents. Committees often work together as topics overlap between the committees. Information on committee activities can be found at www.aallnet.org/sis/tssis.

- **The Acquisitions Standing Committee** serves as the research and discussion group on areas of acquisitions and collection development.
- **The Cataloging and Classification Standing Committee** addresses problems concerning descriptive and subject cataloging and the classification of legal materials in all formats.
- **The Preservation Standing Committee** focuses on measures to preserve legal information, in all formats, that is at risk due to deterioration, neglect, or disaster and addresses issues related to the preservation of and access to digital content.
- **The Serials Standing Committee** provides a forum for addressing problems unique to serial publications, including, but not limited to, check-in systems, subscription agencies, binding, claiming, and record keeping.

Administrative Committees



- **The Awards Committee** is appointed annually to review potential recipients of the Renee D. Chapman Award and grants, such as the Marla J. Schwartz award, which are established by TS-SIS to support member attendance at AALL-sponsored educational events.
- **The Bylaws Committee** is appointed on an as-needed basis by the TS-SIS chair to bring the TS-SIS bylaws into conformity with AALL policies or to make other proposals to amend the bylaws as desired by the TS-SIS Executive Board.
- **The Education Committee** is created each December to serve for a period of 18 months, from January to July of the following year when the AALL Annual Meeting for which the programming is being planned is held. The committee oversees all of the various aspects related to the programming at an AALL Annual Meeting.
- **The Joint Research Grant Committee**, between TS-SIS and Online Bibliographic Services (OBS) SIS, provides funding for grants for technical services law librarians to perform research that will enhance law librarianship.
- **The Membership Committee** facilitates member recruitment, retention, and involvement.
- **The Nominating Committee** is appointed by the TS-SIS Executive Board and is responsible for preparing a slate of candidates for TS-SIS elections.

Recent Educational Programs and Workshops



- The Amazing Technical Services: the Director's Cut (Workshop)
- The Chesapeake Project: One Model for Digital Preservation
- Energize Personnel in the Library: Managing Difficult and Change-Resistant Staff Members
- Future of Subject Access in the 21st Century
- Immerse Yourself: Swim, Don't Sink — Introduction to Law Cataloging (Workshop)
- Role of Print Repositories in an Electronic Age
- Bringing the Library to the User: The Practice and the Theory
- The Future Is Digital: Metadata Standards and Applications (Workshop)

TS-SIS also sponsors educational opportunities outside of the AALL Annual Meeting. These programs are advertised on the TS-SIS online discussion list and take place on a periodic basis.