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From The President

While Fall is well upon us and Winter is just around the corner, it is probably a good time to take out a few moments from our busy work and personal schedules to reflect upon the past and plan for the future.

It never fails to surprise me when the end of the year arrives. I never accomplish all that I set out to do in the beginning of the year, and I do not understand where the time goes. Since it is impossible to fight the passage of time, I do two things: I always have a plan for the upcoming year (for both personal and work matters) and then I concentrate on **EACH** day and plan how I'm going to live that day. Looking at the "big picture" can scare you when you see how quickly time passes. However, having a semblance of control over your life and living each day the way **YOU** choose to live it can reduce that big picture to a smaller, more manageable size. Doing this can help make your life pretty much what you want it to be: exciting, fulfilling, and interesting, but not scary.

While travelling through Europe in September, I kept hearing an American song that (believe it or not) hit the number one spot on the bubble gum charts. This song is known in my household as the "Be Happy" song. My eleven year old daughter is finally tired of the song and the video--I, of course, was tired of it the second time I heard it. "Don't worry, be happy, don't worry, be happy"--even I could be a songwriter if this was all it took! In addition to working and listening to bubble gum music, I am, in my spare time,

an assistant den mother for my eight-year old son's Cub Scout den. One of the things we learned this past week is the Cub Scout motto: **DO YOUR BEST.**

Now what, you might ask, do any of these things have to do with law librarianship? Well, with just a little imagination, you can see that they are all interrelated. Whether you are eleven and practicing to be a teenager, eight and being a Cub Scout, or thirty-five and striving to be a good law librarian, you should possess one thing: **A POSITIVE ATTITUDE.**

A positive attitude can do a lot to foster the type of environment in which you want to live, work and play. There are certainly many challenges to maintaining a positive attitude, but always striving to be positive reaps far more rewards than being negative does.

For instance, several articles in the September/October 1988 issue of Legal Assistant Today focused on law librarianship as a career alternative to being a legal assistant. While I personally wish the author had prefaced her articles by outlining the desirable educational requirements for law librarians, I also was glad to read that the four legal assistants turned law librarians are not segregating themselves from the general law librarian population, but are integrating themselves into it and in some cases, have gone on to obtain advanced degrees. In other words, while these four people did not start out to become law

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HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

EDITOR'S CORNER


Having survived the trauma of getting my first issue to press the time has come to reflect on the future direction of the Southeastern Law Librarian. I would appreciate any comments or criticisms on the current format, or any suggestions on how to improve the publication. Remember it is your newsletter!

I would like to thank all those who have contributed to the first two issues of this year's newsletter. A special thank you is reserved for Tim Coggins, the previous editor, for his help during the transition period.

There seems to be a lot of material on South Florida in this issue. I guess that is understandable in light of the upcoming cruise. However, I do not want the newsletter to take on a Florida bias, and I am therefore very interested in getting copy from other areas in the region. So, any members who have news item of interest, or even a short article, please send me a manuscript. The only restriction is that it not exceed three pages.

Happy Holidays to all!

Michael J. Petit
 Editor



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CRUISE NEWS

What once seemed only a dim vision of the far future is fast becoming an imminent reality. In only a few short months, we'll be plying the high seas on our way to Nassau. I can almost smell the suntan lotion now.

Registration stands at about 150 - pretty close to an ideal number, we believe. So that no one who wants to come is left out, however, we have convinced the Dolphin Cruise Line to hold additional cabins a while longer. If you'd like to join us, please let me know immediately at (305) 284-2250. Remember that the \$395 charge includes all meals and entertainment as well as accommodations, not to mention a stimulating educational program.

By now, those of you who have made reservations should have received a reminder that the balance of the full payment is due. If you haven't, please let me know.

We have a travel agent standing by to help travelers to Miami obtain the best airfares, good hotel rates (for those arriving early and/or leaving late), information about local attractions, and inexpensive trip cancellation insurance. Call Bernice Seaman at (305) 662-1162.

A couple of SEALL members who have previously taken the same cruise we will be experiencing April 14-17 report that there's a lot to enjoy, and that the centerpiece is the private island excursion on Saturday.

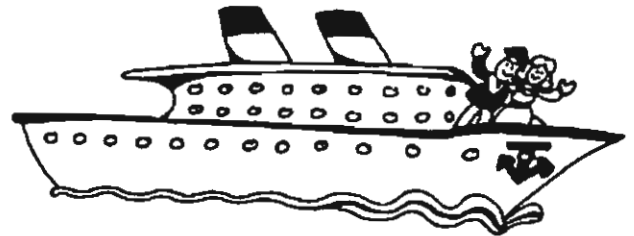
Saturday evening activities include the Captain's reception, movies, a TV trivia contest, tribute to Dixieland, the "Newlywed/not-so-newlywed game (find out how well you know your spouse)," dancing, evening video, and a deck party featuring island music and midnight Bahamian buffet "under the stars".

Part 3 of this series on Dolphin activities - Sunday highlights - will appear in the next issue.

Finally, a recent Miami Herald article features one Lou Laden, 87, who is reported to have taken 90 cruises in the past eight years - all on the SS Dolphin. He says he swears by the Dolphin because of its "cleanliness, hospitality and convenience. You get on the boat and everything is there for you. And you make friends on a ship. You don't usually do that on an airplane. They have fabulous food. You can eat seven times in 24 hours."

Save your appetite.

Wes Daniels
Local Arrangements Chair



1990 MEETING IN MISSISSIPPI

Professor J. Wesley Cochran and his staff from the Law Library at the University of Mississippi will be hosting the 1990 Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries, currently scheduled for April 5-7, 1990, in Oxford, Mississippi. In addition to a complete schedule of educational programs, Wes and his staff have planned some interesting and truly "Mississippi" activities. Let's get through the cruise first; then on to Oxford in '90!

SOURCES FOR INTERNATIONAL
AND FOREIGN DOCUMENTS
OF CURRENT INTEREST

by Amber Lee Smith
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A recurring problem for researchers in the United States is finding copies of current documents--treaties, statutes, and court decisions--from other parts of the world. The problem is compounded when the researcher needs to have the documents in English. There are a number of sources which reprint current documents in translation. This article will review the features of two of them, International Legal Materials and Inter-American Legal Materials.

International Legal Materials (ILM) is an outgrowth of the annual documentary supplement which was part of the American Journal of International Law. In time the supplement outgrew the journal and the need for more frequent publication became apparent. In 1962 the documentary supplement became a separate publication, International Legal Materials, and is currently published bimonthly. Documents appear in ILM on a selective basis. The stated selection policy is "that the document be of substantial interest to a large number of legal scholars, practicing lawyers and officials dealing with public and private international matters." Documents included fall into the categories of treaties and agreements, legislation and regulations, and judicial and similar proceedings. Each issue is indexed and the November issue includes an annual table of contents and a cumulative index for the volume. In addition, updating information for treaties is found in two sections entitled "Recent Actions Regarding Treaties to Which the United States is a Party" and "Recent Actions

Regarding Treaties to Which the United States is Not a Party". The first of these can be consulted to bring the annual United States Treaties in Force up to date. The latter is the best, if not the only current source for treaties to which the United States is not a party, particularly given the great delay in indexes for the United Nations Treaty Series. Documents which the editors do not choose to reproduce may still be included in summary in the section "Notice of Other Recent Documents".

Documents in ILM appear in English, and include source information and information about the translation as required. Each document is prefaced by a background and content summary. In some cases a longer introductory note explaining the context in which the document arises may also precede the document.

The contents of the July issue for 1988 included the following among other documents: the text of the new convention on the regulation of Antarctic Mineral Resource Activities, the text of the Agreement on Argentine-Brazilian Integration, a new Brazilian law and implementing decree on software protection, Andean Group Decision 220, the international arbitration provisions of the Lebanese code of civil procedure, a judgment of the House of Lords and the opinion of the United States Supreme Court in Volkswagenwerk v. Schlunk, a case construing the Hague Service Convention. The timeliness of the documents varies. The provisions of the Lebanese Civil Code went into force January 1, 1985, more than three years before it appeared in ILM, and the Andean Group Decision was made in May of 1987 and was greatly in demand for many months before its appearance in ILM. The new Antarctic treaty, on the other hand, appeared in ILM the month following the final

session of the Special Consultative Meeting which produced it. Time for translation seems to be the significant factor here.

Inter-American Legal Materials (IALM) is a relative newcomer to the field, first appearing in January of 1983. It was started by the Inter-American Law Committee of the Section of International Law and Practice of the American Bar Association and appears under the imprint of the Section. After the initial issue, it did not immediately appear on schedule, but it now appears quarterly. IALM has the following selection policy for the documents it reproduces, ". . . the reproduction of significant legislation in the original language and, when available, translations thereof; commentary by the contributing lawyers and professors in Latin America and the Caribbean; and occasional comment by readers".

The actual content of the issues varies widely. In some issues there are texts of significant documents in the original language (usually Spanish) with translations. Other documents appear as photocopies of the pages from the official gazette of the country without translation. Some issues contain commentary on recent legislation and court decisions from different countries, but the texts of the documents may not be included. Timeliness of materials also varies. The Andean Group Decision 220 appeared in Spanish and in translation in the Spring 1987 issue of IALM (although that issue did not actually arrive in our library until September 1987), considerably sooner than in ILM. Other documents seem to appear in IALM about 8 months after they are enacted or announced. This time lag may improve when the journal is better established. Up to this point the major drawback in the journal is that there is no index

for the individual issues or for the volume. Access is only through the table of contents, which does not always give sufficient detail. This is particularly troublesome if the document sought is discussed in one of the commentaries, because the researcher will only find it if the commentary is read in full.

To the extent that IALM gets away from merely providing document texts and publishes more commentary, the number and type of documents included in a given issue declines. Recent issues focussed on the theme of debt-equity swaps, and other thematic presentations seem likely. The focus on particular themes means that documents which do not fit the theme of the issue are unlikely to be included. The researcher looking for the text of a particular document would be advised to check IALM as a possible source, but the document may well not appear. On the other hand, the researcher who is looking for discussions of current trends in Inter-American law with some documentation will find this publication useful.

Final Note: A new publication of this type is scheduled to appear for the first time in January 1989. World Trade Materials is being produced by the Journal of World Trade and it is supposed to include "a selection of the most essential current documents relating to international trade". It is supposed to appear bi-monthly.

SUBSCRIPTION INFORMATION:

International Legal Materials is available from the American Society of International Law, 2223 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20008-2864. Annual rate: \$50 for members of the Society; \$100 for nonmembers

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**MINUTES OF THE ATLANTA
SEAALL BUSINESS MEETING
JUNE 27, 1988**

The business meeting of the Southeastern Chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries was held in Atlanta, Georgia, on June 27, 1988, and was called to order at 8:00 am by President Hazel Johnson.

The Treasurer's report was given by William James, (University of Kentucky). The beginning balance on hand was \$11,969.06 and additional income of \$2,866.90 was received, for a total of \$14,835.96. Expenses totaled \$14,039.58, including

\$6,000 which was advanced to the 1989 Local Arrangements Committee to reserve rooms for that meeting. That deposit will be refunded to the Chapter treasury. The remaining balance on hand was \$796.38.

The minutes of the April 16, 1988, meeting were approved and the election of new officers announced. For terms beginning July 1, 1988, they include: for Vice-President/President-Elect, Wes Cochran (University of Mississippi); for Secretary, Betty Kern (Law Library of Louisiana); and for Treasurer, Diana Osbaldiston (University of South Carolina). The proposed constitutional amendment of making the Constitution and By-laws Committee a standing committee was approved unanimously.

Wes Daniels (University of Miami), reviewed plans for the 1989 convention, which will be held April 14-17 on a cruise ship sailing from Miami. Because of early reservation requirements, payment for the conference will be required in the Fall if we are to obtain rooms at the convention rate.

Hazel Johnson reported on the decision of the Executive Board to recognize exemplary service to the Chapter. This award will be modeled after the AALL service awards and given to those individuals who have provided exceptional service to the Chapter over a long period of time. Details on the award will appear in the Newsletter. President Johnson then introduced the new officers and turned the gavel over to the new President, Mary Smith (Ackerman, Senterfitt and Eidson), who summarized plans for the coming year. The meeting adjourned at 8:35 am.

Respectfully submitted,
Larry B. Wenger
SEAALL Secretary

LET'S GO MIAMI
(Part 1 of 2)

by Linda Marie Golian
University of Miami Law Library

As you know, the 1989 SEAALL Annual meeting (a.k.a. the SEAALL cruise) is less than 5 months away. Wes Daniels, Chair of the Local Arrangements Committee is predicting a large attendance, and a wonderful itinerary of cruise and professional activities.

As a Miami resident for almost ten years, I would like to extend my warmest welcome to all SEAALL members planning to visit Miami this April. In my opinion, Miami is a terrific place to live or visit. The culture is dynamic, the people friendly and the entertainment endless. I sincerely hope that all SEAALL members attending the annual conference will make an attempt to stay a few extra days in order to experience the famous "Miami is for me" feeling.

During my years in Miami I have played the role of motel clerk and tour guide for numerous family visitors. In this installment I will mention a few of my favorite South Florida attractions, while in Part 2, I will highlight shopping and dining locations.

Miami's subtropical climate is conducive to year-long outdoor recreation. Over ten miles of

sandy beaches along the Atlantic Coast, plus those at Cape Florida, Crandon Park, Matheson Hammock and Virginia Key Beach await swimmers and sun bathers.

My personal favorite is snorkeling. Florida's reefs, with its sparkling array of brain, fire and elkhorn corals, offer some of the best snorkeling in the world. In addition the snorkeler will marvel at the thousands of brightly-colored fish that swim right along side. Any novice with basic "doggie paddle" skills can snorkel! For the Florida visitor, snorkeling is best done in a national park. The per person charge includes transportation to the reef(s), equipment, special floatation devices, instructions, and a reassuring watchful eye.

For the less adventurous, or for those wanting a different perspective, the national parks also provide glass-bottom boat rides over the coral reefs. In addition, these parks provide picnic facilities, beach areas and other activities (i.e. canoeing, sailing and camping). Two highly recommended parks are Biscayne National Park, located at the end of SW 328 St in Homestead, and John Pennycamp National Park, located on Key Largo.

For the semi-land lover, a trip to the Florida Everglades is highly recommended. Approximately one hour's drive west of Miami takes you into the heart of the Florida Everglades (a.k.a. river of grass). The best way to experience this natural wonder is to take a guided airboat ride. These special boats are propelled by huge fan-like motors that make the vehicle literally glide over the water and sawgrass. Two attractions located right in the Everglades are Shark Valley and the Miccosukee Indian Village. At Shark Valley visitors can take a tram ride or bicycle trip into the heart of the everglades. A few miles away is the Miccosukee

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Indian Village. Here tourists can visit an authentic Indian village where tribal members explain their philosophy of life, demonstrate their crafts, and, believe it or not, wrestle alligators.

Fairchild Tropical Garden, located at 10901 Old Cutler Road, is the largest tropical botanical garden in the continental United States. Visitors can explore the rain forest, sunken gardens and exotic flowering plants either on foot or on tram tours. I recommend the tram tour because the gardens do include a total of eight lakes!

A favorite quiet place is Orchid Jungle, located at 26715 SW 157th Avenue. Here orchids from all over the world grow outdoors in huge oak trees. The walk is pleasant and relaxing. To really enjoy these beautiful flowers you need to walk slowly so you can spot the orchids that grow in some very unusual places.

One of Miami's world famous tourist spots is Villa Vizcaya, 3251 South Miami Avenue. Vizcaya is a 70-room Italian palace, located in the middle of 10 acres of formal gardens, overlooking Biscayne Bay. The house is filled with a collection of 15th through 19th century art and furniture.

The Miami Metrozoo, SW 152nd Street and SW 124th Avenue, is a wonderful experience. Over 100 species of animals from all over the world, including two extremely rare white tigers, live in a unique cageless environment. For the bird lover, the free flight bird aviary is a must. These birds have been collected from all over the sub-tropics and display an unbelievable array of vibrant colors. I like to visit the aviary during morning feeding time (approximately 10:00 -10:30 a.m.) when the birds are most active.

In this short article there is no way I could possibly mention the hundreds of interest points located in South Florida. However, I did try to list some of the more

unusual attractions. For additional information I suggest speaking to a travel agent or calling the local AAA (American Automobile Association) and asking for a Florida Handbook. After ten years of living in Miami, I still find points of interest to visit anew, as well as old favorites to revisit over and over again. Hopefully, SEAALL members attending the Cruise will be able to take in a few of our more interesting sights.

In the next newsletter I will mention several local ethnic restaurants that visiting SEAALL members may like to experience, and highlight a several unique shopping areas for those special office presents.

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THE LEXACON PROJECT

by Jean Eisenhower
Washington and Lee Law Library

The Lexington Area Conservation Cooperative (LEXACON) was a project funded by an LSCA Title III grant through the Virginia State Library. The libraries involved were the Washington and Lee University Library, the Wilbur C. Hall Law Library of Washington and Lee University, the Virginia Military Institute Preston Library, the George C. Marshall Research Foundation Library, the Southern Seminary Junior College Library and the Rockbridge Regional Library. The purpose of LEXACON was to provide a training program for library preservation through instruction in specific preservation techniques. The focus was on preservation of the libraries' working collections rather than on their special, rare, or archival materials. Lisa Fox and Sandra Nyberg of the SOLINET Preservation Program provided the training and instruction. The LEXACON project had three phases: conducting building surveys of the six libraries, preparing a disaster plan for the LEXACON libraries, and conducting a book repair workshop for the LEXACON libraries as well as for other libraries in the area.

The building surveys were done by Lisa Fox during the first week of December 1987. Prior to Ms. Fox's week in the area, each library completed a pre-survey questionnaire designed by the SOLINET Preservation Program. The survey had two purposes: to serve as a starting point for discussion with the staff of each library and to assist each library in beginning and continuing its self-evaluation. The building surveys concentrated on building environment, collections,

exhibits, and treatment of the general collection. At the end of this week, Ms. Fox also conducted a short workshop on the proper way to shelve books.

At this time, we also began preliminary discussions with Lisa Fox on preparing a disaster plan. A committee of three librarians--Yolanda Warren of the Washington and Lee University Library, Marilyn Pearson of the VMI Preston Library, and Jean Eisenhower of the Wilbur C. Hall Law Library--was appointed to prepare the disaster plan, starting in January 1988. The committee was charged with developing a disaster plan that could serve as a potential model for other regional library consortia. We have completed the plan and the other LEXACON participants will use it as a guide for completing their own disaster plans. The plan is written in outline style so that anyone needing to use it during an actual emergency can quickly determine what should be done.

The final phase of the project, a book repair workshop, was conducted June 7-9, 1988, on the Washington and Lee University campus. The workshop instructors were Lisa Fox and Sandra Nyberg, assisted by Yolanda Warren of the Washington and Lee University Library and by John Doyle of the Wilbur C. Hall Law Library. There were twenty-six participants in the workshop which included personnel from the LEXACON libraries and other college and public libraries in the region. The workshop was designed primarily for staff members who actually repair books and for those who supervise book repair. Included were lectures and discussions on preservation principles, treatment alternatives, and organizing and equipping a repair unit. Basic repair procedures were taught through demonstrations and hands-on practice. This workshop was

most educational and practical for all who participated.

The libraries in the LEXACON project hope that the spirit of cooperation begun in this project will carry over into the future. We expect to use the building survey reports as guidelines for future cooperative efforts. Other possible cooperative ventures would include the collective purchase of supplies, continuing education for our respective staffs, and a cooperative bookbinding contract. At present, it would appear that the latter may be a real possibility for further study because the six libraries use several library binders. If one binder were used, all libraries might cut some of their binding costs and also gain uniform quality binding. Purchasing supplies cooperatively would also help each library financially, and would help end the duplicate purchase of expensive items. Continuing education of library staffs always proves to be beneficial not only to the library but also to each individual.

In conclusion, all who participated in LEXACON would certainly agree that it has been a worthwhile project and that it has given everyone involved a stepping-off point for future work together.

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PROGRAM ON LAW CLERKS

The Raleigh Area Law Librarians Association and the Charlotte Law Librarians Association are sponsoring a joint program entitled "Law Clerks, Law Schools & Law Firm Librarians". The meeting will be held on Friday, February 17, 1989, from 1:30 until 5:00 at Wake Forest University Law School. The speakers will include a law firm recruiter and a law firm librarian. Tom Steele will also speak on the Wake Forest program. The registration fee is \$10.00. For further information contact Lisa W. Williams, Adams, McCullough & Beard, P.O. Box 389, One Exchange Plaza, Raleigh, NC 27602-0389, (919) 828-0564.

CIS ACQUIRES UNIVERSITY PUBLICATIONS OF AMERICA

Congressional Information Service, Inc. (CIS) recently acquired University Publications of America, a scholarly micropublishing firm located in Frederick, MD. Although the UPA imprint will remain, Paul Massa, CIS President, said: "there will be great opportunities for application of CIS's indexing capabilities to UPA collections".

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

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librarians in the traditional manner, they have apparently succeeded and have given a lot of credit in the article to law librarians and law library associations for their success.

Some of my colleagues have expressed concern over these articles. Their concern is that a wave of legal assistants will threaten our positions as law librarians because, frankly, the educational requirements are not as strenuous and legal assistants can be hired for less money. Knowing practicing attorneys as I do, they may be right. After all, lawyers don't always necessarily look at the qualifications we would like them to. While we would like them to be looking at advanced degrees, they are looking at salaries--the old "I'd sure like to get something for nothing" syndrome. This problem is not just peculiar to law libraries though. The local public library system in Orlando hires as "librarians" individuals who do not possess advanced degrees.

So what am I suggesting? While looking at the big picture scares me, my individual contribution to the cause is manageable. I don't know what will happen to the graduate schools of library science in this country. I do believe that individually, however, we can each continue to make inroads by being positive. I personally believe that my Master's degree has helped to make me a better librarian by instilling in me lots of liberal arts library-type values. I also hope that my position in my law firm, community, and librarianship will send out a message to everyone who is interested. "I am good at what I do for a number of reasons and because I want to do my best, I went the extra mile to

obtain an advanced degree. Yes, I could probably do my job without it, but it has provided me with a foundation of theory, knowledge, and understanding that no amount of on-the-job training could ever give."

If we want our graduate schools of library science to survive and if we want advanced degrees for law librarians to continue to be the norm and not the exception, then we must continue to work and educate those around us in a positive manner. We should encourage non-degreed librarians to go "that extra mile" and obtain the degree so that they, too, can benefit from the intangibles that library school provides. We need to individually educate judges, attorneys, law school professors, library school professors, publishers, publisher representatives, and other librarians. Individual education does not mean nagging and crying the blues. It means educating by example and displaying a positive attitude.

Individual planning and positive attitudes can go a long way in helping you achieve both your personal and professional goals. Whether you are preparing a budget, teaching a class, working with an association, trying to convince a non-degreed librarian to go to graduate school, getting ready to take a vacation, or simply trying to raise children or plant a garden, a little planning and a lot of positive thinking will help you attain your goals.

Our normally hectic lives tend to become even more so this time of year--so before it gets away from you--enjoy each and every day of this holiday season.

Mary

Mary D. Smith
SEAALL President

REPORT OF PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE ON CLEARINGHOUSE PROJECT

by Susan Blackman, Intern
and Jean Holcomb, Law Librarian
Norfolk Law Library

As of October 26, 1988, sixteen libraries have contributed materials to the Clearinghouse project. We have received four requests from librarians for materials. Currently the broad categories of materials, the number of items in the category and the type of library supplying the materials are as follows:

<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>SUPPLYING LIBRARY</u>
Computer Lab and CALR Manuals	3	Academic
Disaster Plan	1	Academic
Gift Letter	1	Academic
Legal Bib Materials	3	Academic
Library Guides	12	Academic, Private
Pathfinders	19	Academic
Automated Library System Proposals	1	Academic

Libraries which have contributed materials since the last Newsletter are:

- Hurt, Richardson, Garner, Todd & Cadenhead
- Hunter, Maclean, Exley & Dunn
- Smith, Helms, Mullins & Moore
- Washington and Lee University School of Law Library
- University of Miami Law Library
- College of William and Mary, Marshall-Wythe Law Library

Several librarians have promised to send us works in progress as soon as they are completed. We hope that local, state and federal court librarians, as well as proprietary libraries in the region will contribute to this project.

Please contact the Norfolk Law Library staff if you have any questions about the materials available. Arrangement can be made to photocopy and mail the requested materials. If time is a great concern, the requested materials can be sent by fax.

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FLORIDA

The Librarian of the Florida Department of Legal Affairs, JOANN R. MRAZEK, has recently joined the chapter.

NORTH CAROLINA

JOYCE D. PHILLIPS is a new member. She is the Librarian at Petree, Stockton & Robinson in Winston-Salem.

The Chair of our Membership Committee, LISA WILLIAMS, of Adams, McCullough & Beard in Raleigh, spoke this Fall to the Raleigh-Durham Legal Administrators Association about why law firms need librarians and how to go about hiring them.

SOUTH CAROLINA

At the University of South Carolina, MELISSA SURBER was awarded tenure this Summer. Melissa is the Acquisitions Librarian for the Law School Library.

TENNESSEE

Another new member of

S.E.A.A.L.L. is CHRISTINE MORTON of Baker, Worthington, Crossley, Stansberry & Woolf in Knoxville.

VIRGINIA

KATHLEEN LARSON, the Librarian for Hazel, Thomas, Fiske, Beckhorn & Hanes, is now a member.

Director of the Law Library and Associate Professor at Washington & Lee, SALLY WIAIT, addressed a session of the Mid-Atlantic Regional Archives Conference in Williamsburg on November 4th. The topic was the significance and copyright implications of the J.D. Salinger case, and the effects of such decisions on users of unpublished papers in archives and manuscript collections.

The law schools at the University of Virginia, University of Richmond, and Washington & Lee University (anyone else?) have all recently used, for the first time, the the new WESTLAW training course on hard disc called DISCourse. The course was developed for use with the temporary learning centers to simulate online WESTLAW activity within a structure that minimizes digressions and with minimum drain on the WESTLAW system. DISCourse was tested last Spring at UVA and UR before being offered for general use.



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PLACEMENT

This year the SEAALL Placement Committee is chaired by Phil Berwick, Director of the George Mason University Law Library. Should you wish to place a job ad in the Southeastern Law Librarian please contact Phil at: George Mason University Law Library, 3401 North Fairfax Drive, Arlington, VA 22201, or call him at (703) 841-2648.

The Placement Committee also maintains an active file for applicants. If you wish to have your resume placed in the file just send it to Phil at the above address. If you are a prospective employer and wish to know if there are law librarians in your geographic area searching for positions call Phil so that he can send you any pertinent resumes.

ALABAMA

Law Librarian: Large Alabama firm (over 100 lawyers) centered in Birmingham seeks law librarian to run its library. MLS from ALA-accredited library program required. Law library experience preferred. Knowledge of online databases helpful. Supervises 2.5 FTE. Available December 1st. Salary competitive. Contact: Ms. Linda Friedman, Bradley Arant Rose & White, 1400 Park Place Tower, Birmingham, AL 35203.

GEORGIA

Catalog Librarian: Requirements: MLS from ALA-accredited school; two to three years OCLC/RLIN cataloging experience in academic library; thorough knowledge of AACR2, LCSH, LC Classification and MARC formats; demonstrated management and supervisory skills. Experience with an automated library system highly desirable. Duties: Responsible for management of cataloging department with

three support staff and two student assistants. Handle OCLC original cataloging of monographs, serials, microforms and nonprint materials, current as well as retrospective; handle online catalog maintenance; participate in campus-wide automation committee work; provide assistance to user of online catalog and legal databases; participate in providing reference and research services to assigned faculty members. Reports to Head of Technical Services. Salary: \$20,000 - \$22,000., depending upon qualifications. Application deadline: December 1, 1988. Send resume and 3 references to Professor Robin K. Mills, Law Librarian, Emory University Law Library, Gambrell Hall, Atlanta, GA 30322. An Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.

Acquisitions/Serials Librarian: DUTIES: The Acquisitions/Serials Librarian oversees acquisitions, serials control, binding, and accounting. The position includes the supervision of three full-time support staff. The librarian will evaluate and plan for the existing manual and future automated acquisitions/serials control systems. Some evening reference service will be required. REQUIREMENTS: MLS; two years of relevant library experience; supervisory experience; course work or prior experience in legal materials preferred; experience with OCLC, AACR2 preferred; evidence of ability to meet standards of research, publication, and professional service that would lead to tenure in the University Library Faculty. BACKGROUND: The Law Library has grown rapidly since September, 1982, with over 102,000 hardcopy volumes. The Library uses PALS (the online catalog and circulation system) and OCLC. There are six professional librarians and eleven support

staff members. The librarians are members of the University Library Faculty. RANK AND SALARY: Academic appointment at the appropriate level. \$22,000 minimum salary. APPOINTMENT DATE: As soon as possible. APPLICATION DEADLINE: November 30, 1988. APPLICATION: Send a letter of application with resume to Nancy Johnson, Law Librarian, Georgia State University College of Law Library, University Plaza, Atlanta, GA 30303-3092. Phone (404)651-2479. GSU is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

AALL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The deadline for applying for an AALL grant is March 1, 1989. A copy of the application form will appear in the December issue of the AALL Newsletter. For further

information contact Carol A. Suhre, Grants Committee Chair, Clermont County Law Library Association, Courthouse - Main Street, Batavia, OH 45103, (513) 732-7109.

Program materials for last summer's Basic Cataloging Institute are available for \$65.00 prepaid. The order form will be published in the November and December issues of the AALL Newsletter. For details contact Martha Brown at AALL Headquarters.

The AALL Midwinter Institute Managing Emerging Technologies will be held in Dallas, Texas, from January 9-12, 1989. Contact Martha Brown at AALL Headquarters for further details.

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