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GDSIS BUSINESS MEETING

June 14, 1982
Detroit, Michigan

Colleen Pauwels, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 8:00a.m. in the LaSalle A room and introduced the headtable (Judy Gecas, Vice-chairperson and Patricia Aldrich, Secretary-Treasurer.) Thirty-eight members were present for the meeting.

The minutes of the 1981 GDSIS business meeting, as printed in the September 1981 (vol. 3 no. 2) edition of JURISDOCS, were approved. The motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes was moved and seconded. The Secretary-Treasurer gave the treasurer's report. Expenses for the 1981 convention were \$1,483.90. JURISDOCS expenses were \$743.93. There were over \$730.00 income in dues and \$155.00 from the sale of publications. At the time of the convention there was a balance of \$21.18 in the GDSIS accounts.

Colleen Pauwels reported the results of the mail ballot for officers. Of the 291 ballots mailed, 157 were returned and one of these was declared invalid. This resulted in a 53.9 return rate. The new 1982/83 officers are Vice-chairperson/Chairperson-elect, Marian Parker and Emelyn House, Secretary-Treasurer. In accordance with the by-laws, a motion was made to destroy the ballots. It was so moved and seconded.

Marian Parker was introduced to report on the proposed revision of the by-laws. Copies were distributed to the membership present and a copy is appended to the minutes. The purpose of the proposed amendments was to make the GDSIS by-laws conform to the AALL by-laws. Article IV: Meetings indicates who may attend the meeting; who may vote and defines the number of members necessary for a quorum. Article VI: Executive Committee, section 2 was amended to provide for the transition from vice-chairperson to the chairperson. There was considerable discussion as to the clarity of section 2, subsection b. Article VII: Nominations and Elections was amended to have the ballots prepared and tallied by the nominating committee. The purpose of this amendment was to avoid a conflict of the Secretary-Treasurer, often a candidate for office, participating in the ballot preparation. Because of the extensive discussion and questions concerning Article VI, section, 2 subsection b it was moved and seconded that the By-laws Revision Committee clarify the section. The revision will be printed in the newsletter and voted on in Houston in 1983. The remaining revisions were voted on and approved by the membership.

Nancy Johnson, a member of the Depository Council, spoke and introduced Johanna Thompson, the other GDSIS and AALL member of the Depository Council. She explained the purpose of the Depository Council and urged members to attend a fall or spring meeting of the Depository Council. Anyone with depository document problems should speak with Nancy or Johanna.

Colleen reported on behalf of Margaret Lundahl, Chairperson of the Documents Exchange Committee. The government documents exchange list will be distributed this summer to subscription members of the Duplicate Exchange Program. The list will also be for sale.

The editor of JURISDOCS, Larry Cheesman urged members to contribute to the newsletter. Reduced funds restricted volume 4 to two issues, but future volumes should have September, January and April issues. Deadlines will be the first of the month. The January issue will have a GDSIS membership list. A complete set of JURISDOCS back issues are available for \$10.00. JURISDOCS will also be available on a subscription basis for \$5.00. Inquiries should be made to Linda Fariss, business manager. Larry gave a special thanks to Linda for all of her hard work this year.

Stuart Basefsky reported on the Citation Reform and Revision Committee. He commented on the new 13th edition of the Uniform System of Citation. Several revisions proposed by Stuart and other GDSIS members were included in the new edition. The next edition will be in six years. Comments and suggestions should be sent to Stuart. He has also been in contact with the American Bar Association regarding another citation manual.

Colleen reported on the GAO Legislative History File for Phyllis Christenson. Financial problems have virtually terminated the project. Individuals with a question or problem on the Legislative History Project or individual legislative histories should call Phyllis at 202-275-3691.

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Minutes(cont'd)

The annual state bibliographies for Michigan and Indiana were distributed to the members attending the meeting. Colleen thanked Stuart York for his work on the Michigan project and Linda Fariss and Keith Buckley for their work on the Indiana bibliography. Melanie Solon is preparing the Ohio Bibliography and will distribute a copy this summer to members who attended the business meeting. The 1982 bibliographies are available for sale at \$5.00 each. Past bibliographies for California, Missouri, Virginia, Maryland and the District of Columbia are also available at the same price. Copies may be purchased from Secretary-Treasurer Emelyn House. Checks should be made to the Government Documents SIS.

Colleen introduced Sue Dyer, the AALL Executive Board liaison. Colleen then commented on the GDSIS program for Detroit and urged members to attend. She thanked all the committee chairpersons and members for their work this year.

The meeting was turned over to Judy Gecas. She announced that the program for the Houston meeting must be submitted by September and the program for the 1984 San Diego meeting must be submitted by January. Suggestions were solicited and sign up sheets for volunteers were circulated.

Judy adjourned the meeting at 9:00 a.m.

*Respectfully Submitted
Patricia M Aldrich
Secretary/Treasurer*

Appendix: Bylaws Revision

Article I: Name

The name of this special interest section of the American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) shall be the Government Documents Special Interest Section (GD/SIS).

Article II: Object

The object of the Government Documents Special Interest Section shall be to disseminate information on government documents to the AALL membership; to further the continuing education of law librarians in the area of government documents; to coordinate the activities of law librarians in representing their interests to public and private groups with regard to the publication, dissemination, citation, and use of government documents; and to work in cooperation with documents groups in other associations and organizations.

Article III: Membership

Any active individual member or designated institutional member of the AALL, as defined by its Bylaws, may affiliate with the GD/SIS upon payment to the AALL of an annual fee for this SIS. All members of the GD/SIS shall have full rights of voting.

Article IV: Meetings

Section 1. An annual meeting of the Government Documents SIS shall be held in connection with or during the annual meeting of AALL.

Section 2. Meetings shall be open to all members of the AALL but no person may vote in the SIS meeting who is not a GD/SIS member in good standing.

Section 3. A quorum for a business meeting of the GD/SIS shall consist of 15 of the GD/SIS members.

Section 4. Notice of the meeting shall be made in conjunction with the notice for the AALL annual meeting. **cont'd**

Bylaws (cont'd)

Section 5. Robert's Rules of Order, in the latest edition, shall govern all deliberations of the GD/SIS when not in conflict with the bylaws of the GD/SIS.

Article V: Officers and Committees

Section 1. Officers. The officers shall consist of a chairperson, a vice-chairperson/chairperson-elect, and a secretary/treasurer. The vice-chairperson/chairperson-elect and the secretary/treasurer shall be elected annually by the SIS. The vice-chairperson/chairperson-elect shall automatically become chairperson after one year and shall so serve during the second year following his election.

Article V: Officers and Committees

Section 2. Duties of officers. The chairperson, vice-chairperson/chairperson-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.

Section 3. Committees. There shall be such standing or special committees as the Executive Committee shall create or shall be created by a majority vote of those present and voting at the annual meeting of the GD/SIS.

Section 4. Appointments. The chairperson shall appoint all members of committees unless the SIS shall direct otherwise.

Section 5. Terms of office. All officers and members of committees shall serve until their successors are elected or appointed and qualified.

Article VI: Executive Committee

Section 1. There shall be an executive committee of four, consisting of the officers named in Article V, Section 1 and the immediate past chairperson. The duties of the executive committee shall be those usually assigned to such committees in similar associations.

Section 2.

- a) In the case of the death or resignation of the chairperson of the GD/SIS, the vice-chairperson/chairperson-elect shall become chairperson and shall serve until the end of his own elected term.
- b) In the case of the death, resignation or early ascendency to the office of chairperson of the vice-chairperson/chairperson-elect, that office shall remain vacant for the remainder of the term of vice-chairperson. The GD/SIS will then elect a chairperson, as specified in Article VII, Section 1.(b) and Section 2.
- c) The executive committee shall have the power to fill any vacancy in the office of secretary/treasurer, the person so elected by the executive committee to serve the unexpired term.

Article VII: Nominations and Elections

Section 1. Nominations.

- a) There shall be a 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. The chairperson of the committee shall be designated by the executive committee. Two candidates for each office to be elected shall be presented. **cont'd**

Bylaws (cont'd)

- b) In the event that the vice-chairperson/chairperson-elect cannot assume the duties of chairperson and such fact is known prior to March 1, the committee shall nominate a candidate for the office of chairperson for the term of one year.
- c) Names of the candidates, together with their written acceptances, shall be presented by the nominating committee to the chairperson in sufficient time to enable the chairperson to inform the members of the SIS of the nominations prior to April 1, either by publication in the AALL Newsletter or Jurisdocs, or by mail. All candidates must be members of the GD/SIS.
- d) Further nominations, except for the office of chairperson, may be made upon written petition of ten members in good standing of the SIS. Such petitions, accompanied by written acceptance of the nominees, must be filed with the chairperson of the SIS not later than May 1.
- e) The chairperson of the nominating committee shall prepare an official ballot, including nominations by petition. The professional position of each nominee shall appear on the ballot. The ballot also may include some biographical information about each nominee furnished by the nominee.

Section 2. Elections.

- a) The nominating committee shall have charge of the conduct of the annual election and the counting and tabulation of all votes cast.
- b) Prior to May 15, the chairperson of the nominating committee shall mail a copy of the official ballot to each member in good standing of the GD/SIS. Ballots shall be marked, sealed in plain envelopes marked "BALLOT," and returned to the chairperson of the nominating committee before June 10 in covering envelopes bearing on the outside the name and address of the member voting. The chairperson of the nominating committee shall check on a list of SIS members the names of all members whose votes are received.
- c) The candidates receiving the largest number of votes shall be declared elected and shall be so reported by the chairperson of the nominating committee at the annual business meeting of the SIS. All candidates shall be notified of the results of the election by the chairperson of the nominating committee at the earliest possible time.
- d) In case of a tie vote, a run-off election shall be held at the business meeting of the SIS at the AALL annual meeting. Run-off elections shall be by secret ballot of the members of the SIS attending the meeting. The ballots shall be counted immediately and the candidate with the largest number of votes declared elected.
- e) The ballots may be destroyed by the chairperson of the nominating committee after the annual business meeting of the GD/SIS.

Article VIII: Amendments to the Bylaws

Section 1. Bylaws of the Section may be adopted, amended or suspended at the annual meeting of the Section by a majority vote of those 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 GD/SIS. 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. Any amendment shall take effect after it has been submitted to the AALL Committee on Constitution and Bylaws for review, and thereafter approved by the AALL Executive Board.

1983 GDSIS Convention Programs

"Legislative Intent, or What They Do With Those Legislative Histories After You've Compiled Them"

Moderator: Marian F. Parker
Vice Chairperson, Government Documents SIS
(Associate Director, SUNY-Buffalo Law Library)

Purpose: This program was planned as an answer to information requested about this topic by a number of people. It also addresses the continuing education requests of law-trained librarians.

Panel: 1. "Legislative Histories -- State of the Art and View of the Future"

Panelist: Michael Gehringer
President, Federal Document Retrieval, Online
(AALL Member)

This panelist will present the current availability of legislative histories: a) do-it-yourself, b) commercial services -- both current and retrospective, and c) online services. He will also present the picture of what is to be available in the future (i.e. more retrospective information commercially prepared, more online availability, and whether there is a possibility that LEGIS will ever be commercially available.)

2. "Legislative Intent: A View From Those Who Teach, Those Who Practice, and Those Who Judge"

a) "View from the Ivory Tower"

Panelist: Walter F. (Jack) Pratt
Associate Professor
Duke University Law School

This panelist will tell us how he teaches future lawyers to interpret legislation. We might even have him give a very abbreviated "lesson" on the various methods of interpreting legislation.

b) "View from the Bar"

Panelist (tentative):
Layne E. Kruse, Esq., Partner
Fulbright and Jaworski
Houston, Texas

This panelist will explain how attorneys use legislative histories in arguing a case before court. It will be very interesting if we can get some "real" information about how each side "stacks the Congressional Record" to support his side.

c) "View from the Bench"

Panelist: (Hopefully a federal appellate court judge in Houston!)

This panelist will explain how judges use legislative histories in deciding cases which interpret legislation. It will be interesting if we can get discussion from the bench's view about what the bar does in these matters.

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Convention (cont'd)

3. "Legislative Intent -- Do We Really Need to Do All This"

All panelists will participate in this discussion, which should be a natural follow-through of the "formal" presentations. The question will be raised as to whether we should go beyond the face of the statute with discussion on the fallibilities inherent in using legislative histories to determine legislative intent. Also, the anomaly of "no" legislative history information for UCC and other state legislation will be discussed.

4. Open Forum for Questions

Evening Session

"State Legislative Materials"

We hope to have a representative (AALL member) of the major states for which legislative history documents are available. Each person will make a presentation about the materials from his or her state. The informality of this session should allow for discussion among the presenters and those who attend. We see this program as a complement to our major program on Legislative Intent, which will concentrate on the availability of federal documents. This session and the program should be scheduled on the same date. If you are interested in making a presentation for your state, please contact Marian F. Parker at the State University of New York at Buffalo (716/636-2089).

Membership News

NANCY JOHNSON is now Reference Librarian at Georgia State University. Her new address is : Georgia State University/Law School Library/University Plaza/Atlanta, GA 30303/ (404) 658-2479.

Information Exchange

To encourage further exchange of information among our readers, JURISDOCS will feature a new column. Anyone with a question to which he or she would like an answer should sent it to:

Patricia M. Aldrich
6151 N. Meridian
Indianapolis, IN 46208

The questions and subsequently received answers will appear in JURISDOCS.

Our first question: Does anyone have a list of sources that print Freedom of Information requests? We know that the National Law Journal prints selected ones, and that requests can be made to the corresponding agency to see if an individual made a request. But is there a more comprehensive and easier source ?

Answers should also be sent to Pat.

'82 Programs

Tapes of GDSIS sponsored at the 1982 AALL 75th Annual meeting are available from: Mobiltape Company, Inc./ 1741 Gardena Avenue/Glendale, CA 91204/(213) 244-8122:

Referral Services in State, Federal, and Canadian Governments,
tapes #82 AALL 18 and 19 (2 tapes).

In Search of the Elusive Administrative Document,
tapes #82 AALL 34 and 35 (2 tapes)

Documents Update,
tapes #82 AALL 47 and 48 (2 tapes)

There is a \$2.00 per order shipping and handling charge.

A full report on these GDSIS Convention Programs will appear in the January issue of JURISDOCS.

GPO NEWS

New Books

To fill the gap left by the now discontinued Selected U.S. Government Publications, the Government Printing Office has introduced two new publications.

New Books (ISSN 0734-2772) will probably prove even more useful to law and government documents librarians than the Selected U.S. Government Publications. Issued bi-monthly, New Books will list all new publications that have been added to the Superintendent of Documents sales inventory since its last issue. Thus, New Books will provide a definitive list of new publications -- not merely some of the most popular ones as was the case with the Selected U.S. Government Publications.

Another significant difference is that New Books will not be offered on an automatic subscription basis. In order to receive the next issue, you must return the order form at the back of the issue with the appropriate box checked. This, GPO hopes, will insure that the publications is only mailed to those who buy or make active use of it.

To receive a copy of volume 1, number 1, (covering the period from June 17 to August 20, 1982), contact: Superintendent of Documents/ U.S. Government Printing Office/ Washington, DC 20402.

This is a significant new tool. It is particularly important if you do not have regular access to the GPO Sales Publication Reference File (PRF), which consists in part of a monthly mailing of a single fiche containing new publications.

US GOVERNMENT BOOKS

In contrast to New Books, U.S. Government Books (ISSN 0734-2764) is very similar to the Selected U.S. Government Publications it is intended to replace.

The catalog is first of all very selective and geared more for the general public. It lists and annotates almost 1000 popular Government publications. GPO now has almost 20,000 titles available.

U.S. Government Books is arranged by subjects ranging from Agriculture to Vacation & Travel. Annotations are concise, even briefer than those in the old Selected U.S. Government Publications. Almost every annotation, however, does contain a photograph of the cover of the publication it advertises -- making it a much more enticing market tool than the old Selected list.

The first issue, vol. 1, no. 1 (Fall 1982), contains over 52 pages. Included are: a heading for "Recent Releases"; information on PRF, the Monthly Catalog, Price List 36, the Subject Bibliography Index, GPO standing order service, a list of GPO Bookstores; and, how to obtain a free pamphlet on Government Depository Libraries.

The issue also contains 4 order forms. An order from this catalog automatically places you on GPO's mailing list to receive the next issue.

For a copy, write to: New Catalog/ Government Printing Office/Washington, DC 20402. A special postcard order form for this catalog is available for distribution to patrons.

CHECKLISTS

A particularly useful new series of publications initiated by the new Superintendent of Documents, Raymond M. Taylor, a former law librarian, are the status reports or Checklists.

Intended to be issued periodically, they will prove invaluable in keeping the United States Code, Code of Federal Regulations and the United States Reports complete and current.

In addition to listing what a complete set should consist of, the Checklist explains the purpose of the set, its contents and its organization.

Included are instructions on how to order, the cost and how to be notified about publication of new volumes or to be put on a standing order service.

The initial checklists were mailed to every library listed in the AALL Directory. CONT'D

Checklist (cont'd)

It is interesting to note that copies were also sent to 94 U.S. Attorneys. According to Mr. Taylor, over one third of the U.S. Attorneys have written to thank him while only 5 librarians have sent similar letters.

PHONE NUMBERS

GPO offers a facsimile transmission service. If you need only one or two pages of a GPO publication, call (703)557-2050 and ask for Carol Watts or Mark Scully. Be prepared to tell them what kind of telecopier you have. It is also important to remember that GPO does not have a library -- so be patient.

The new Superintendent of Documents, Raymond M. Taylor, would also like to hear from you if you have problems that are not being resolved. Call him personally at (202) 275-3345. This is the number of the phone on his desk in Washington.

Open Letter



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Washington, D.C. 20402

ASSISTANT PUBLIC PRINTER
(Superintendent of Documents)

October 6, 1982

Miss Hazel L. Johnson
Librarian for the Law Offices
of Smith & Hulsey
500 Barnett Bank Building
Jacksonville, Florida 32202

Dear Miss Johnson:

At the Depository Library Council meeting on September 21, 1982, Nancy Johnson handed me your August 20, 1982, letter to her.

You inquired about the possibility of our making a change in the headings of the microfiche edition of the Code of Federal Regulations by using C.F.R. section numbers in place of page numbers on the heading.

I asked a member of my staff to explore the possibility of this change being implemented. His findings are as follows:

1. Our present microfiche contract does not allow for this change, but it could be incorporated into the new contract.
2. The right hand titling information area is limited to 13 character spaces, but in many instances the section numbers could require up to 27 character spaces.

Based upon the second of his findings, it is our opinion that the change you have proposed would not be feasible at this time.

I appreciate your concern on this matter, and I hope you will continue to give us the benefit of your ideas for the improvement of our program and service. If I may be of help to you on anything else, please do not hesitate to let me know.

You have my gratitude and good wishes.

Sincerely yours,

RAYMOND M. TAYLOR
Superintendent of Documents

CCR Report

The Committee on Citation Reform (CCR) encourages all members of AALL, and other persons interested in Bluebook citation, to note problems in the most recent edition of the Bluebook. Many of you have just completed bibliographic instruction in your respective law schools. Certainly discrepancies, bad abbreviations, and other citation difficulties have surfaced in the course of this instruction. If you will take just a little extra time to send these perceived problems to the National Clearinghouse on Legal Citations, C/O Stuart Basefsky, Documents Dept., The D.H. Hill Library, North Carolina State University, Box 5007, Raleigh, N.C. 27650, maybe we can do something about them.

From time to time, a major citation problem may be brought to our attention. Some of these matters can cause serious problems in the filing of papers in the jurisdiction(s) affected by these citation discrepancies. When this occurs, we will use this forum to put all members of AALL on notice. It is hoped that by disseminating this information to law librarians, major difficulties can be avoided without having to wait for Bluebook reform. Of course, every effort will be made to negotiate with the Bluebook editors on finding appropriate citation remedies. The following letter received from the Code Revision Commission of Georgia is a case in point.

CODE REVISION COMMISSION
316 STATE CAPITOL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334

Dear Mr. Basefsky:

This letter is to follow up on a previous conversation between you and Mr. Terry McKenzie of the Georgia Code Revision Commission's staff concerning the form for citation of the new Official Code of Georgia Annotated.

In September of 1981, the General Assembly of Georgia enacted the statutory portion of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated. This is the first official recodification of Georgia laws since 1933. The new Code was prepared and published by the Michie Company of Charlottesville, Virginia, under a contract with the Code Revision Commission of the Georgia General Assembly. It will become effective on November 1, 1982, and will repeal all prior codes in the State of Georgia as of such date.

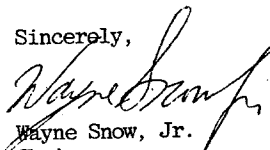
The Harrison Company has published an unofficial code in the State of Georgia since 1935. The Harrison Company code is published without state supervision and has been cited as "Ga. Code Ann." The Harrison Company will continue to publish this code.

As part of our Code revision process, the commission has adopted "O.C.G.A." as the official form of citation to the new Code published by the Michie Company. This method of citation is noted in our new Code. All subscribers to the new Code have been officially notified of this method of citation and the Supreme Court of Georgia has adopted this form of citation and is currently preparing a notice for publication in all publications of the State Bar of Georgia.

Since the Code Revision Commission and the Michie Company have gone to such efforts to notify subscribers and members of the bar and since the Supreme Court of Georgia has adopted the citation recommended by the commission, it is with a great deal of concern that we have been informed that our new Code will appear in the Blue Book of citations as "Ga. Code Ann." We feel that this will cause a great deal of confusion among members of the bar, particularly with members of the bar from outside the State of Georgia. We have urged the publishers of the Blue Book to reconsider their decision and hope that they will do so.

Any assistance which you can give us in eliminating confusion across the country in the citation to the Official Code of Georgia Annotated will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,


Wayne Snow, Jr.
Chairman

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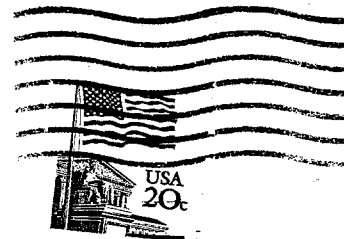
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