Legal Information Services to the Public SIS 2009-2010 Annual Report

The 2009-2010 Legal Information Services to the Public Special Interest Section (LISP) executive committee officers were Terrye Conroy, chair; Bret Christensen, vice chair/chair-elect; Dan Baker, secretary-treasurer; and Betty Agin, immediate past chair.

During 2009-10, LISP members revised the LISP description for its website and worked with AALL Headquarters to professionally design its brochure "How to Research a Legal Problem: A Guide for Non-Lawyers," which is available to download from the LISP website.

LISP's State-Specific Public Library Toolkit project is designed to help non-law librarians, particularly public librarians, assist their patrons with locating legal information. In 2009-2010, LISP continued to add state toolkits and to update existing toolkits.

The LISP Kathy Garner Grant, which provides financial assistance for attending the AALL Annual Meeting, was awarded to LISP members Joan Bellistri and Tove Klovning, to attend the 2010 Annual Meeting in Denver. LISP members also received awards from AALL as well as from local law library and bar associations during 2009-2010.

At the 2010 Annual Meeting in Denver, LISP programs focused on law librarians forming partnerships to enhance opportunities for public access to legal information. LISP Annual Meeting programs included "A Web 2.0 Collaboration: Mapping a Path for Pro Bono Partnerships," "Partnering with Public Libraries to Expand Services," and "Statutes, Cases and Codes, Oh My! Easing Public Librarians Down the Road to Legal Reference." LISP also cosponsored the annual Joint Roundtable on Library Services to Pro Se Patrons and Prisoners with SR-SIS and SCCLL-SIS at the 2010 Annual Meeting.

LISP members elected new executive committee officers for 2010-11. Dan Baker will serve as vice chair/chair-elect and Sarah Mauldin will serve as secretary/treasurer. Bret Christensen will serve as chair, and Terrye Conroy will serve as immediate past chair.

Respectfully Submitted, Terrye Conroy President 2009-2010