

## **Micrographics/Audiovisual SIS 2010-2011 Annual Report**

The Micrographics/Audiovisual Special Interest Section officers for 2010-2011 were Ryan S. Overdorf, chair; Laura Ray, vice chair/chair-elect; and Terrence McCormack, secretary/treasurer.

M/AV-SIS continued to explore the consequences of the digital transition. It presented a program at the 2011 Annual Meeting dealing with the FCC's efforts to improve broadband internet access. The FCC had touted faster broadband as one of the benefits of the digital transition. While the FCC has made some progress in identifying the necessary spectrum, clearing the spectrum for broadband use will be a slow process.

M/AV-SIS also presented a 2011 Annual Meeting program on the recent statutory exemption granted to college and university professors allowing them to "rip" DVDs for classroom use. The statutory exemption was necessary because neither the teaching exemption nor fair use allowed DVD ripping. Part of that program included practical instructions on identifying usable, low cost, DVD-ripping software.

M/AV-SIS is continuing its transition. The proposed bylaw revisions recently sent to AALL's Bylaws and Resolutions Committee updated the committee structure to formalize the Education Committee as a permanent committee and the education coordinator position as the chair of that committee. The revisions also update election procedures to allow for electronic elections. M/AV-SIS decided not to continue with two-year terms for future chairs and vice chairs.

Because M/AV-SIS members have not yet reached consensus on what the new name should be, a name change was not submitted as part of the current revisions, and the study process on the name change continues.

M/AV-SIS will continue to identify any necessary changes and prepare itself to meet the challenges of law librarianship in the coming years.

Ryan S. Overdorf  
Chair, 2011-2012