The Digital Access to Legal Information Committee (DALI) serves to advance the law library profession's principles concerning public information provided on government websites and to promote uniformity in citation reform. Major ongoing activities involve advocating for no-fee, permanent public access to official and authentic online legal information in the public domain, primarily through advocating for the adoption of the Uniform Electronic Legal Material Act (UELMA) and tracking the status of access to online legal resources.

DALI maintains the valuable State Online Legal Information resource (http://community.aallnet.org/DigitalAccessToLegalInformationCommittee/StateOnlineLegalInformation). A subcommittee of DALI members continued the process of confirming key findings, assessing the currency and accuracy of the data, and updating the resource as necessary. Members also began a discussion about what can be done with the other data gathered in the National Inventory.

This year, DALI members formed in a joint subcommittee with the Copyright Committee to explore the issue of copyright in relation to state primary legal material. The joint subcommittee produced a report submitted to the Committee Chairs with recommendations.

In October 2014, DALI members submitted “Guidelines for the Authentication of Official Electronic Legal Material to the AALL Executive Board.”

The DALI Chair joined the AALL Board liaison and GRO Director in presenting at the “SANDALL 2015 Winter Institute Advocacy, Authenticating Electronic Legal Materials: UELMA & Beyond” in January 2015. The event was well-received and ultimately was awarded a Chapter Professional Development Award.

The DALI Chair and Vice Chair worked with the Government Relations Office (GRO) on recommended updates to AALL Government Relations Policy which were adopted by the Board in July 2015.

The Chair, along with the GRO Director, actively participated in a newly formed group based out of D.C. working on UELMA Preservation. They also served as ex officio members of the Law Library Mass Digitization Special Task Force.

DALI co-presented the Public Policy Program at 2015 AALL Annual Meeting along with GRO staff and the other AALL policy committees. Members also proposed a program on UELMA and staffed an exhibit hall table explaining the Committee’s activities.

Committee members for 2014–2015 included:

Jane Larrington, Chair; Connie Lenz, Vice Chair; Kenneth J. Hirsh, Board Liaison; Emily Feltren, Staff Liaison; Elizabeth Holland, Staff Liaison; Erik Beck; Danielle Becker; Scott Childs; Catherine M. Dunn; Thomas Heard; Dr. Yolanda P. Jones; Konya Lafferty Moss; Deborah Norwood; Leanna Simon; and Heather Williams.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jane Larrington, Chair, 2014–2015