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Fifty-four NOCALL members gathered at UC Berkeley's Boalt Hall last week to attend the NOCALL fall business meeting. Many thanks to Ginny Irving for making the arrangements for the meeting and elegant reception at the Women's Faculty Club!

Already the NOCALL Committees are working on projects for the year. The Membership Committee (chaired by Linda Spath) distributed the 1987-88 Membership Directory at the meeting, and the Education Committee (chaired by Linda Weir) has planned four interesting workshops for November 6th. I'd like to thank all committee members for dedicating their time, resources and talents to the development of NOCALL.

There is still time for members to get involved in committee work this year. Alice McKenzie is looking for volunteers for the municipal codes project and Katherine Henderson is looking for a volunteer to survey the newsletter advertising policies of AALL chapters.

The next NOCALL event is the Workshops scheduled for November 6th in San Francisco. I hope to see you all there!

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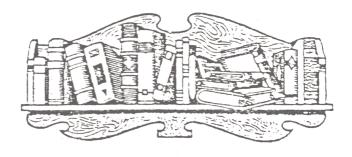
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The NOCALL Newsletter is published six times per year beginning with the July/August issue. Subscriptions are available with membership and are available separately for \$15 per year from the NOCALL Secretary. NOCALL welcomes and encourages contributions to the Newsletter. Please send your news and comments to Katherine Henderson, University of Pacific, McGeorge School of Law Library, 3200 Fifth Ave., Sacramento, CA 95817. The Newsletter is sent to other AALL chapters and contributions may be included in other chapter newsletters and the Legal Information Management Index.

1987/88 NOCALL COMMITTEES

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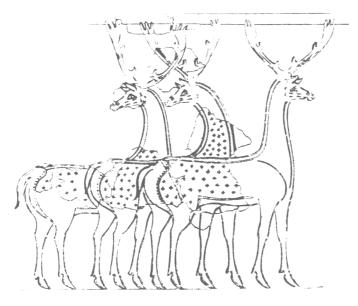
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Union List

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CALENDAR

November 5 - 6, 1987

U.C. Berkeley Extension Course
"Integrated Library Software for
Microcomputers"
Call (415)642-4111 for information.

November 6

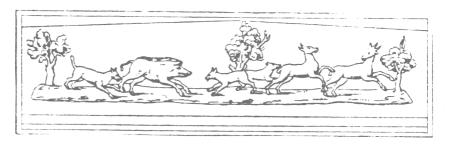
Eighth Annual NOCALL Workshop Hotel Meridian, San Franicsco

November 14 - 18

Annual California Library Association Conference.
Santa Clara Convention Center and Double Tree Hotel. Call (916)447-8541 for preliminary program and registration materials.

November 30

NOCALL Grant applications for AALL Mid-Winter Institute on Library Disaster Planning due



EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

The 1987-88 Executive Board met on September 10, 1987 in Berkeley. Sharon French, Shirley David, David Bridgman, Arturo Flores, Jo Caporaso and Janice Kelly were in attendance.

- ** <u>Life Members</u>: It was agreed that John Sigal and Myron Jacobstein would be nominated for life membership at the September meeting.
- ** Bylaw Changes: There are three recommendations for changes to the bylaws which will be proposed and voted on at the September 25 meeting.
- ** <u>Grants Committee</u>: The Grants Committee was allocated \$2500 to award for conventions, workshops, and institutes.
- ** Christmas Party. Sharon announced that the first NOCALL Christmas party will be held Friday, December 18, at the Orient Express in San Francisco.
- ** Institute. Shirley said that the institute will be held on March 26 at the El Rancho in Sacramento. The topic is trial practice. There will be speakers on the new civil procedure act and on court rules and court forms.
- ** January Meeting. The January meeting will be held on Friday, January 29, 1988 at the Marine's Memorial in San Francisco.
- ** Advertising in the Newsletter. It was decided that a survey of other chapters policies regarding advertising should be done and proposals for the NOCALL Newsletter drawn up.

** Consulting Committee - Conflicts of Interest. Sharon was asked for a copy of the NOCALL guidelines regarding for conflicts of interest in the Consulting Committee. Sharon will ask Nancy Lewis, the chair of the Consulting Committee to investigate.

** Price Waterhouse Report. Sharon distributed copies of the summaries of the recommendations made by Price Waterhouse to the Executive Board of the AALL regarding Chapters' income tax status, incorporation and insurance coverage. The report recommended that Chapters seek tax status and that Chapters which do not have insurance coverage address this question immediately. Liability insurance is the high priority.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice Kelly, Secretary, 1987/88



NOCALL BUSINESS MEETING

Friday, September 25, 1987 Boalt Hall, UC Berkeley

Sharon French, President, called the meeting to order at 4:15 PM.

The minutes from the May business meeting had been distributed by Jo Caporaso and were approved by the members.

Trish McCurdy, of the Audit and Budget Committee, reported that the 1986/87 figures were correct and all documents were present. This year, the Committee plans to prepare written guidelines, develop a budget format on a PC using Lotus 1-2-3, and setting up a diskette for ongoing Committee information.

Artuto flores gave a summary of the Treasurer's report. The balance as of September 1 was \$7,305.56.

Four revisions to the bylaws were proposed and passed unanimously. The first revised Article III, Section 1, setting the date of the May meeting as the second Friday in May. The second revised Article V, Section 2, eliminating the requirement that the Executive Board meet immediately following each annual meeting. The third added Section 8 to Article V, specifying that the Association year begins on June 1 and that Board members shall turn over their records to newly elected officers by June 15. The fourth revision amended Article VI, Section 3, requiring a semi-annual report from committees and that their files be turned over to the new chairs no later than June 15.

Life memberships were proposed and approved unanimously for Myron Jacobstein and John Sigel.

Committee Announcements:

Archives: Andy Eisenberg reported for Iris Wildman that a file cabinet had been bought to house the archives and other supplies would be purchased. Iris would appreciate having copies of all board minutes, reports of committees, workshop and institute materials, newsletters, etc. sent to her for the archives.

Consulting: Joan Howland and Nancy Lewis announced that they had five consultations during the past year. These were mostly for small firms of 9 to 15 lawyers. Joan estimated that it took about three hours to interview the client and another 15 to write a report. The Committee keeps listings of filing services and consultants which they hand out. They will be running ads in some legal papers and speaking to bar associations. The Committee is also working on a policy statement.

Teresa Oppedal asked if consultants felt the Committee was cutting into their business. Nancy said no. Cella Mitchell mentioned that a consultant had, in fact, recommended the Committee to a firm.

Constitution and Bylaws: Veronica Maclay said that if anyone had suggestions they should contact Gail Winson, Judy Janes, or herself.

Education: Linda Weir distributed announcements for the workshops to be held on November 6 at the Hotel Meridien in San Francisco. Registration meterials will mail the week of September 28.

The Education Committee may also be taking over responsibility for showing educational videotapes.

Grants: Ginny Irving reported that an additional grant will be made this year - to the AALL midwinter institute. This makes a total of seven grants: 2 for the NOCALL workshops (for the amount of registration); 1 for AALL midwinter (\$700);

2 for the NOCALL institute (\$100 each); and 2 for the AALL annual convention (\$700 each). Ginny reminded us of the guidelines the Committee follows in selecting recipients. Members of NOCALL are selected on the basis of financial need, proven ability and promise of future usefulness. Only one grant can be awarded to an individual during a single fiscal year.

Indexing Resolutions: Jacob Koff said that he and David Bridgman are the co-chairs of this new committee. They will be indexing the resolutions passed by the Executive Board. This will include indexing by committee, so each committee can be supplied with a complete list of resolutions which concern it.

Membership: Linda Spath distributed the new membership directories. Bancroft-Whitney sponsored the directory and is paying the printing costs.

Municipal Codes: Alice McKenzie requested volunteers for this Committee. The initial work involves sending out letters to cities and counties and compiling the responses. They hope to publish the new directory in 1988. Jack Leister of the Institute of Governmental Studies is a member of the Committee.

Nominations: Donna Martinez said that job descriptions of the various offices will be available. She asked members to recommend possible candidates to the Committee.

<u>Placement</u>: Teresa Oppedal and Lisa Whitehill, both at Morrison & Foerster, share the responsibilities of the Placement Committee. Teresa mentioned that having the duties in one office is easier. They receive job listings from employers and resumes from applicants. Many resumes are from people who have not worked in a law library before. The Committee has established relationships with library schools in the area. They advise on resumes, salaries, etc. There is a particular need for resumes from paraprofessionals.

Since May, the Committee has received 16 professional and 8 paraprofessional resumes, and 6 professional and 2 paraprofessional job listings.

<u>Public Access</u>: Rebecca Duncan described the goal of the Committee as increasing lay people's awareness of and access to the law. The response to this Committee has been very encouraging. They want to move into the special libraries arena.

Public Relations: This new Committee's report was given by Donna Williams. They will prepare information on NOCALL for directories, legal newspapers, and AALL publications. They will also assist committees in preparing promotional materials. They are in contact with SCALL to see whether it's feasible to share a booth at the California Bar Association convention.

Salary Survey: David Bridgman was ill and Sharon French outlined the background on the formation of this Committee. Employers have been requesting information on salaries. NOCALL is studying the issue of whether a salary survey is needed and, if so, how much it will cost, how it will be done, etc.

<u>Union List</u>: Todd Bennett and Brent Bernau reported on the progress of the current union list. They expect it to be available in late October or early November. The price has not yet been set. They are hoping to set up an annual production schedule and to recruit more libraries to participate.

Newsletter: Editor Katherine Henderson said that the Newsletter is studying the question of advertising. There have been requests to place ads in the Newsletter and the Board has decided it would be beneficial to NOCALL. Katherine needs an

additional committee member to look into guidelines as to what should be accepted, how much to charge, etc.

Institute: Vice President Shirley David announced that the NOCALL Institute will be held at the Hotel El Rancho in West Sacramento (California's Newest City) on March 26, 1988. The topic is trial practice, and Shirley is looking for someone to compile a bibliography. The Council of County Law Libraries will be having its annual meeting at the same time and Shirley thinks that many of them will attend the Institute.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Municipal Codes Committee (Alice McKenzie, Chair) is in search of additional members. The Newsletter (Katherine Henderson, Chair) needs someone to investigate advertising guidelines. The Institute Committee (Shirley David, Chair) would like someone to compile a bibliography on trial practice.

The meeting adjourned at 5:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice Kelly Secretary, 1987/88

A reception (with delicious food and wonderful company) was held at the Women's Faculty Club.



QUARTERLY REPORT OF THE TREASURER

First Quarter	Report	of	the	1986-87	Fiscal	Year
June-August 1	987					

BALANCE, Jur	ne l.	1987	
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\$6,586.69

INCOME:

Dues		
210 active/associate		
at \$15 each	\$3,150.00	
6 students at \$5	30.00	
Meeting (May 15)	414.00	
Exhibitor	45.00	
Reimbursement	104.37	
Union List	175.00	
Checking Account		
Interest	75.88	
Mailing Labels	15.00	
Direcotry	15.00	
-	\$4 050 25	\$4,059.25
	74,000.20	94,000.20

EXPENSES:

Newsletter Printing Meeting (May 15)	992.58 697.00	
Grants	1,200.00	
Membership Printing		
Costs	137.59	
Miscellaneous	71.29	
Archive Cabinet	241.92	
	\$3,350.38	\$3,340.38

BALANCE, September 1, 1987

\$7,305.56

Respectfully Submitted,

Arturo Flores Treasurer

FROM THE COMMITTEES

EDUCATION

The Eighth Annual NOCALL Program of Workshops will be held on Friday, November 6, 1987 in San Francisco at the Hotel Meridien. Registration materials have been sent to NOCALL members in a separate mailing.

The four workshops to be presented are:

Morning Sessions 9:30 A.M. to 11:45 A.M.

Program A: The Immigration Reform and Control

Act of 1986

Program B: Cataloging and the Catalog in the

Law Firm Setting

Afternoon Sessions 1:30 P.M. - 3:45 P.M.

Program C: Alternative Ways to Work: Options

for Law Librarians

Program D: California Documents: Getting What

You Need

The workshops will be held in the Semillon and Colombard Rooms on the second level of the hotel.

REGISTRATION FEE

\$50: NOCALL Members

\$60: Non-Member

\$30: Library School Student

The registration deadline is October 30, 1987. Cancellations can not be refunded after November 3, 1987.

NOCALL will award two grants for this event.

Contact Linda Weir at (415)565-4761 for detailed program information, NOCALL grant applications, and additional Workshop applications.

AALL MID-WINTER INSTITUTE GRANT INFORMATION

The NOCALL Executive Board has made available one grant to enable a NOCALL Member to attend the AALL Mid-winter Institute on Library Disaster Planning to be held in Talahassee, Florida, January 10-13, 1988.

NOCALL's Grant Committee guidelines for awarding the grant money are as follows:

- 1. Candidates must be members of NOCALL
- 2. Grants will be made on the basis of:
 - a. Financial need,
 - b. Proven ability,
 - c. Promise of future usefulness and permanence in the law library profession.
- 3. Only one award is to be given to any individual during one fiscal year.* For each successive year, priority will be given to applicants who have not yet received a grant.

In submitting your application, please follow instructions carefully. In fairness to others, incomplete or late applications will not be considered.

The 1987-88 Grants Committee:

Ginny Irving, Chair Mary Hood Leslie Hesdorfer Lynn Lundstrom

*NOCALL grants will also be awarded in the 1987-88 fiscal year for:

NOCALL Fall Workshop in San Francisco (2 grants for registration and luncheon) NOCALL March Institute in Davis (2 grants up to \$100 each) NOCALL Annual Meeting in Atlanta (2 grants for \$700 each)

AALL MID-WINTER INSTITUTE GRANT APPLICATION

Name:
Employer's name
and address:
Telephone:()
Are you a member of AALL?If so,when did you
join? Are you a member of NOCALL?
If so, when did you join?
NOCALL programs you have attended:
NOCALL and AALL committees on which you have served (give dates):
Other professional committees on which you have served (give dates):
Employment in law librarianship (give dates, places and titles):

Other relevant employment:
Education (beyond high school: list schools attended, dates, degrees):
List grants you have previously received to attend a professional workshop, institute or convention:
Will your employer pay any or all of your expenses?If so, what portion?
Will acceptance of a grant affect your employer's willingness to pay part or all of your expenses?
What are your career goals?
How do you feel attendance at this institute will benefit you?
Applicant's signature Date

To complete your application, PLEASE SUBMIT TWO LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION. The letters may accompany this application, or may be sent under separate cover, but they must be received no later than November 30, 1987.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY GINNY IRVING BY MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 1987. Applicants assume full responsibility for assuring that all information is received before the deadline. In fairness to others, no late or incomplete applications will be processed.

Please send four (4) copies of this application and four (4) copies of the two letters of recommendation to:

Ginny Irving 236 Boalt Hall University of California Berkeley, CA 94720



MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY CODES COMMITTEE

The Municipal and County Code Committee anticipates publishing a second edition of <u>California Municipal</u> and <u>County Charters</u>, <u>Codes and Ordinances</u>: a <u>Directory of Availability in 1988</u>.

Our 1983 edition was very successful since we sold nearly 100 copies to non-NOCALL members. The committee anticipates quite a few changes in 5 years since there are 12 new cities in the State of California.

A large committee of at least 10 people are needed to review the city and county addresses, and then to tabulate the responses from various municipalities or counties for the publication. Please volunteer some of your time to this valuable resource by calling the committee chair, Alice McKenzie at 415/979-2619.

PLACEMENT COMMITTEE

The NOCALL Placement Committee maintains an active file of available jobs in law firm, law school, county, state and federal law libraries. We also maintain current files of resumes of people seeking professional and nonprofessional law library positions in the Bar Area. If you are looking for a job or looking for a qualified employee, please contact us.

Teresa Oppedal and LIsa Whitehill Morrison & Roerster 345 California Street San Francisco, CA 94104 (415)434-7272

REFERENCE LIBRARIAN Alameda County Law Library

Requirements: JD from a recognized law school: MLS from ALA accredited library program, but will consider non-J.D. applicants with significant law library experience. At least one year experience in legal research and use of library facilities.

Preferred Qualifications: demonstrated supervisory skills; strong service attitude; familiar with automated systems including LEXIS and WESTLAW.

Examples of Duties: performs reference service including WESTLAW searches: manages the Circulation Department: compiles library statistics: writes newsletter articles and prepares exhibits. Send letter of application (including three references and resume to: Cosette T. Sun, Law Library Director, Court House, 1225 Fallon St., Oakland, CA 94612 Phone: (415)272-6481 Salary: commensurate with experience, good benefits. Available: Immediately.

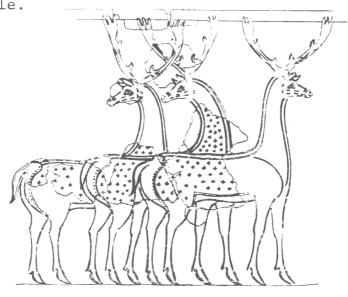
SENIOR REFERENCE LIBRARIAN School of Law Library University of California, Berkeley

Requirements for the position are J.L.S. and J.D. degrees from accredited schools and a minimum of two years of law library reference experience. A thorough knowledge of LEXIS, WESTLAW, INNOPAC, INNOVACQ, DIALOG, RLIN, OCLC and other online systems is required. Familiarity with personal computers, Sun stations and CD-ROM equipment as well as experience in developing instructional programs for a computer lab environment is required. Ability to deal effectively with students, faculty and other library users is essential. Primary duties will include providing reference assistance to faculty, students, attorneys, and members of the public as well as

administering the library's interlibrary loan operations, fee-for-service program, and WESTLAW/LEXIS training programs.
Salary range (Associate Librarian) from \$29,340 to \$32,232 depending on academic background, experience and specific qualifications. Send resume by December 15, 1987 to Joan Howland, Deputy Director, Law Library, 232 Boalt Hall, University California, Berkeley, California 94720, Phone: (415)642-4044.

PUBLIC ACCESS TO LEGAL INFORMATION COMMITTEE

The Committee needs more members from the Sacrmento and San Francisco-Oakland by areas. Please contact co-chairs Rebecca Duncan (408)971-9060 or Coral Henning (415)554-6821 if you would be interested in participating in the work of this Committee. Activities focus on the presentation of workshops to non-law librarians and other persons involved in providing legal reference information to the general public or a special clientele.



MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Patricia L. Piper, Associate Law Librarian for Technical Services at U.C. Davis Law Library, will be retiring on October 17th. Pat is one of the original staff members who came from Oklahoma with Mortimer Schwartz and Betty Williams to start up the Law Library in Davis in 1965. As head of Technical Services, she has seen the U.C. Davis Law Library through many stages of its development and has earned a reputation nation-wide for innovation and efficiency. Pat is in frequent contact with law librarians in Northern California and throughtout the country. As a much respected colleague and friend, Pat will be sorely missed. We all wish her a very happy retirement.

At the annual meeting of the Conference of California County Law Library Trustees and Librarians on September 21, 1987 during the State Bar Convention two NOCALL members were elected as officers of the Council of California County Law Librarians. Shirley H. David, Sacramento County Law Library, was elected to a second term as President. Coral Henning, San Francisco Law Library was elected to her first term as Secretary/Treasurer.

PENINSULA

Kathy Templeman is the new Circulation-Assistant at the Santa Clara County Law Library.

Ms. Templeman is a Santa Clara University grad uate and plans to pursue a Masters Degree in Librarianship.

Susan Kuklin, Director of the Santa Clara County Law Library, was featured in a front page story entitled "Extra Dedication Needed to Manage a Law Library", published in the Post-Record on Tuesday, August 25, 1987. The article described Susan's career, responsibilities at the law library, and goals. Susan's photo was also included.

SACRAMENTO

The local group of NOCALL held a brown-bag lunch meeting at the California State Library on September 23rd. The group decided to meet bimonthly starting in November. Planned topics include: LEXIS updates; software and hardware reviews; a trip to the State Archives; California Administrative Code; Public Records Act; CCH publications; California State Library services; and space management. If you are interested in the future meeting schedules, please contact Sharon Akey at the State Board of Equalization Law Library. Her phone number is (916)445-7356.

Barbara Linden is a Law Librarian at the Farm Credit Bank. Her phone number is (916)071-2834.

Gale McCormick became the first Law Librarian at the Weintraub, Genshlea, Hard, Erick and Brown on September 1st. Her phone number is (916)648-9494.

Mitch Cnota of the Office of the Attorney General Law Library is taking a trip to China from September 18th to October 20th.

Chizuko Kawamoto of the California Dept. of Food & Agriculture Pest Management Division Library is the author of "File Analysis for Retrospective Conversion: the Case of the California State Library, Law Library", published in vol.79,no.3 of Law Library Journal. She is now planning a project for microfilming and retrieving library documents using the similar analytical method described in her article.

All members of the professional staff at U.C. Davis Law Library now have their own personal I.B.M. Personal Series II Model 30 microcomputers. They also have a Hewlett-Packard laser printer for shared use. The software programs available are Word Perfect and Hayes Smartcom. The staff is also experimenting with Word Plan for statistical reporting. Each microcomputer is connected to a modem. Two other IBM XT's are available for general use.

INTERNATIONAL LAWYER & ANTITRUST LAW JOURNAL

ISSUES AVAILABLE

Fenwick, Davis & West has the following issues available for donation:

INTERNATIONAL LAWYER

Spring, 1979 (vol. 13, no.2)

Fall, 1982 (vol. 16, no.4)

Winter, 1983 (vol. 17, nos. 1 & 3)

Winter, 1984 (vol. 18, no. 1,2,3)

Winter, 1985 (vol. 19, no.1)

ANTITRUST LAW JOURNAL

Vol. 47, no.1 (plus appendix)

Vol. 49, no. 2 (Part 1 & appendix to Part 2)

Vol. 50, nos. 1 & 2

Vol. 51, nos. 1 & 2

Vol. 52, nos. 3 & 4

Vol. 53, no. 1 (Part 2)

Cumulative Index for Vols. 37 - 49 (1968/80)

Contact Julia Fuerst at (415)494-0600 if you are interested.

PRACT LIBRARY SCHEDULE

Mead Data Central announces the following free files (you are charged for connect time only) which are to be available in the PRACT Library:

Sept.21-27	Reuters Library Wire
Sept.28-Oct.4	BKRTCY-Federal Bankruptcy
Oct.5-11	NETWORK World
Oct.12-18	GENFED-Supreme Court Briefs (Briefs)
Oct.19-25	Reuters Financial Wires
Nov.2-8	Euromoney
Nov.9-15	FEDTAX - Federal Tax Coordinator 2nd (RIAFTC, FTCAID)
Nov.16-22	ABECOR
Nov.23-29	<pre>INCORP - Corporation Information (CASOS, TXSOS)</pre>
Nov.30-Dec.6	Aviation Week

Big spender image lost on SF cabbies -

By MONICA BAY Recorder Staff Writer

Big spenders? Lawyers are lousy tippers, according to a taxi driver working the Fairmont-Westin St Francis circuit during the ABA convention. The driver, who asked that his name not be used, said the image of lawyers' as big spenders pales in comparison to another large convention group that was in San Francisco last month.

"They are not half so good as the librarian," he said.

PUBLICATIONS

TRINET IMPLEMENTS NEW SIC CODES ON FILES 531 AND 532

The 1987 Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) revision, effective January 1, 1987, represents the first major change in the SIC system since 1972.

The new SIC structure offers significantly improved industry classifications in the following areas:

- * Computers and related products
- * Manufacturing
- * Communications
- * Services
- * Wholesale and Retail trade
- * Finance and Banking

THE TRINET ESTABLISHMENT (531) AND COMPANY (532) FILES NOW FULLY REFLECT THE SIC REVISION.

TRINET, INC. is offering a booklet entitled "TRINET AND THE 1987 SIC REVISION."

To order a copy of this booklet, write to Trinet, Inc., 9 Campus Drive, Parsippany, New Jersey 07054

CONGRESSIONAL DIRECTORY SPEAKS TO RESEARCHERS

The 1987-88 Congressional Directory is the most useful edition ever for intelligence gatherers. Added is an improved subject index, steering you to the Capitol Hill experts in your topic of interest. As usual, the directory lists government officials' names, titles, addresses, and phone numbers, and includes brief biographies of Members of Congress, cabinet officials, and federal judges.

The annual reference, stock number 052-070-06239-8, costs \$15 from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402-9325, 202/783-3238.

LEGAL INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

IMMAGIC, Inc. has just released the new BIBLIO GUIDE for Using INMAGIC in Libraries, the library application of their software package, INMAGIC. The BIBLIO GUIDE contains 99 report format and six data structures for managing library catalogs, orders, serials control and loan records. INMAGIC, Inc. released version 7.0 of their software this summer with mathematical capabilities, flexible report writing and passwords to protect and move data. For more information contact Ann DiLoreto at (415) 326-7370. Ann will be demonstrating INMAGIC and the BIBLIO GUIDE at the U.C. Berkeley Extension Course, "Integrated Library Software for Microcomputers, to be held on November 5-6. For course information call (415) 642-4111. Registration cost is \$150.



The past which is so presumptuously brought forward as a precedent for the present, was itself founded on some past that went before it. (Madame De Stael)

Just because everything is different doesn't mean anything has changed. (Irene Peter)

Progress might have been all right once but it has gone on too long. (Ogden Nash)

(from Forbes, 7/13/87)

NOTES FROM OTHER NEWSLETTERS

New Legislative History Service

You can now have your legislative history service done for you by the newly established Legislative History Research Service of Washington D.C. This unique service provides complete legislative histories on demand, and performs other research in Congressional documents and related government information.

The founder of the Legislative History Research Service, Steven E. Mitchel, is a former Reference Librarian at the law firm of winston & Strawn in Chicago, where he specialized in legislative history research. He also taught legislative history in legal research courses at the Chicago-Kent College of Law. In 1986, he moved to Washington to conduct legislative research "at the source." He is the author of several lead articles for the ALERT including "Legislative History Services on Microfiche - Has Your Work Been Done for You?" (Volume 4, No. 10)

For more information, call 301/565-7836, or write to Legislative History Research Service, 9300 Brookville Rd., silver Spring, MD 20910

(From Legal Information Alert, Vol. 6, #5/6, May/June, 1987)



COMPUTER ASSISTED LEGAL RESEARCH

A Little History

LEXIS began in 1965 as a project of the Ohio State Bar Association. Although lawyers had talked for years about using computers to help research the body of case law (which was increasing geometrically), the idea of computer-assisted legal research was vague and nebulous. The Ohio project brought the concept into focus by defining what was needed as a full-text, interactive, computer-assisted legal research service.

At the time, this definition frightened off many hardware and software vendors, and only one company - Data Corporation of Dayton, Ohio - offered to build a system meeting the defined requirements. The company modified its Data Central system, a full-text interactive system developed to search huge files of procurement contracts for the Air Force, to meet the requirements of the Ohio Bar project. The result was OBAR, Ohio Bar Automated Research, a kind of proto-LEXIS which demonstrated the feasibility of computer-assisted legal research.

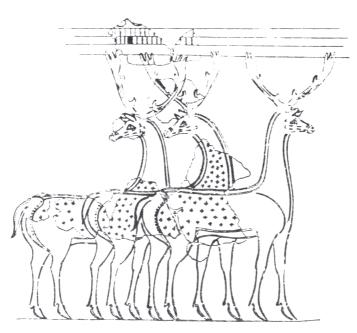
Neither the Ohio Bar nor Data Corp. had the funding to make OBAR a marketable system until 1969, when Data Corp. was acquired as a wholly owned subsidiary by the Mead Corporation. While Mead's initial interest in Data Corp. was not primarily in OBAR, a market study indicated great potential for an online legal research service. Mead therefore formed a new subsidiary, Mead Data Central, to develop and market such a system.

In 1973, this descendant of OBAR, now named LEXIS, was signing up its first subscribers. (The name was not derived from LEX [law] Information Service as many of us believed, but dreamed up by the same consultant who gave us EXXON, on the theory that names with X's create interest!)

West Publishing Company began to develop its system in 1973, influenced, no doubt, by the advent of LEXIS. WESTLAW went online in 1975, but was not initially a full-text system. The data base consisted of West headnotes, which, as soon became apparent, could not compete with LEXIS.

By 1976 West had committed itself to full-text system enhanced by West headnotes, but several years were required to solve software and communication difficulties. A redesign of WESTLAW began in 1980, and by 1982 WESTLAW was a serious competitor, and was aggressively pursuing subscribers. Since then, both LEXIS and WESTLAW have announced additions and changes at a pace which users can hardly keep up with.

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