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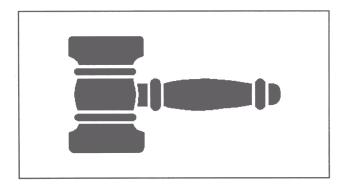
If you are feeling worn out from AALL, then bask in the glory that you were part of the team that hosted a very successful convention! From all reports, San Francisco was a raving success. Your support and assistance contributed greatly, and I know Joan and Virginia are most appreciative of or your strong show of support.

If my figures are correct member-attendance at AALL was at an all time record high of 2,227. That's a lot of law librarians to help with registration, meetings, programs, exhibits, drawings, directions, news, meals, banquets, parties, etc, etc. I know we will all have a greater appreciation for those local arrangements folks next year in Boston!

The NOCALL year is getting under way. We had a joint Board Meeting July 28 at Boalt, and a formal changing of the guard. Our hope is to see many more of you attend meetings, participate on committees, or generate ideas about what you would like NOCALL to do for you. I asked each Board member to give me 3-5 new names of members who they think might be interested in participating in NOCALL activities in some small or large way. I will try to place

those members on committees or solicit their input on how we can improve on what we already know is a wonderful group of law librarians. We are a growing organization, with a present membership of 419, and I would like to know from you what you like about NOCALL. Are the chapter activities of interest, i.e. workshops and institute, or would you prefer more regional offerings? How might you more effectively participate in the development of programs and committees? Last year's survey in the newsletter which asked for input for the annual institute resulted in 7 or 8 responses. I would like to get a reater sense of how the Chapter is serving or not seeling your needs. Please let me know if you have ideas, concerns, or input.

The Board has set the fall Business Meeting for September 17, 1992, at Boalt Hall, UC Berkeley Law Library, at 3 pm. Hope you can come and that you will bring your ideas. See you then.



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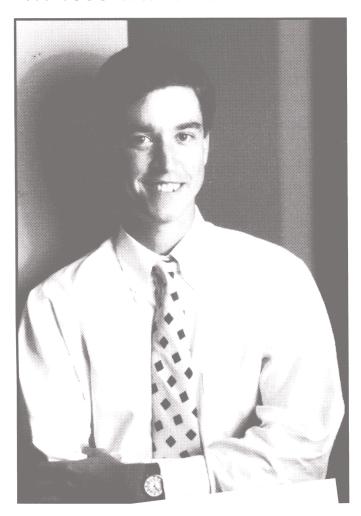
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## Committee News

## **GOVERNMENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE**

Ruth Nunez-Schaldach, chair

#### FEDERAL LEGISLATION

[Information is current as of 8/7/92]

#### FOIA REVISION:

S. 1940 (Leahy), the Electronic Freedom of Information Improvement Act of 1991, is still pending in the Senate Judiciary Committee following a public hearing by the Senate Subcommittee on Technology and the Law on 4/30/92. The measure would amend the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) to include public access to electronic government records. Records here represent "data, computer programs, machine readable materials, and computerized, digitized, and electronic information, regardless of the medium by which it is stored." Additionally, each federal agency would be required to publish an index of all information it stores electronically.

## COPYRIGHT BILL DEBATED AMONG AALL MEMBERSHIP:

H.R. 4426 (Barney) would in part amend the Copyright Act to exempt from copyright protection the volume, page, title and section numbers used to identify federal/state cases, statutes and regulations regardless of who had initially assigned the identifiers (i.e., it would allow competing publishers and others to reproduce the identifiers). As of 8/7/92, the measure is still pending in the House Judiciary Committee following a hearing by the Intellectual Property and Judicial Administration Subcommittee on 5/14/92. At that hearing, AALL gave qualified support to the measure, a position not endorsed by all AALL members. At issue would seem to be whether passage of H.R. 4426 would jeopardize the viability of the National Reporter System. A summary of the AALL position on H.R. 4426 along with statements supporting and opposing it were published in the "Letters to the Editor" column of the June 1992 AALL Newsletter (pp. 822-23). These statements are reprinted in full on pages 7-8. (These positions were reiterated at an open forum on H.R. 4426 held during the "Legislative and Regulatory Update" provided at the AALL San Francisco Annual Meeting on 7/21/92.) The NOCALL Government Relations Committee encourages NOCALL members to share their views on H.R. 4426 with either the AALL Copyright Committee, the AALL Government Relations Committee or the AALL Executive Board.

#### **AALL GOV-LINE UPDATE:**

The transcript of AALL Gov-Line Report #26 is also provided on pages 16-17. An update on the bills discussed follows.

WINDO/GATEWAY BILLS As of 8/7/92, S.2813 (Gore) is still pending in the Senate Rules & Administration Committee. The House companion bill, H.R. 2772 (Rowe) is still pending in the House Administration Committee.

LC FEES FOR SERVICES As of 8/7/92, S.2748 (Pell) is still pending in the Senate Rules and Administration Committee.

The NOCALL GRC helped make your NOCALL NEWSLETTER envelope heavier and thicker this month by including a 1992 <u>ROSTER AND GOVERNMENT GUIDE</u> and a "Be a part of the process" letter writing information sheet. We hope you will refer to these items

often. Thanks go to Evy Posamentier and Nancy Hoelbelheinrich for the information sheet. A special thank you to the Golden Gate University School of law Library for the top quality paper and printing.

## STATE LEGISLATION

[Information is correct as of 8/13/92]

Of the bills that we had been tracking only 3 remain, and with the state of the Budget being what it is, things don't look good for any of them.

AB 2276 CORTESE & FARR Would exempt libraries from sales tax on periodicals. SUSPENSE FILE. WILL DIE.

SB 267 KOPP Would exempt subscription periodicals from sales tax. SET FOR HEARING AUGUST 5TH. WENT TO SUSPENSE FILE. (Author's office quote, "Miracle might pull it out".)

AB 3692 CHANDLER Would increase civil appellate filing fees from \$200 to \$250. This bill would provide that, until January 1,1995, \$50 of each of those fees shall be placed in a special General Fund account to be known as the California State Law Library Special Account. It would take effect immediately. HEARING SET FOR AUGUST 10TH, FINALLY HEARD AUGUST 12! THIS BILL HAS NOW BASICALLY BECOME A GENERAL FUND BILL. THE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE PASSED IT AFTER RECOMMENDING LANGUAGE WHICH WOULD MAKE THE SPECIAL APPROPRIATION TO THE STATE LAW LIBRARY AVAILABLE ONLY THIS FISCAL YEAR. THE AUTHOR'S OFFICE BELIEVES THERE MAY BE MORE OPPOSITION TO THE BILL NOW THAT IT IS GENERAL FUND. THEN, THERE IS THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE GOVERNOR MAY VETO IT. LOOK FOR THE AMENDED VERSION NEXT WEEK. TO SUPPORT IT CALL OR WRITE YOUR LEGISLATORS AND THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE.

## BARCLAYS vs OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW

I spoke with Mr. R. Michael James, publisher of Barclays, at the end of July and he stated that everything was still as he had explained in his letter to our organization on May 14th. He added, that he believes the Governor is interested in resolving this conflict out of court. Talks will resume once the Budget crisis is resolved. Marz Garcia, acting director, of OAL was not available for comment. Mr. Garcia failed to be confirmed on August 11th. SB 1280 (the Budget bill) has language proposing that funding for OAL be eliminated for 1992-93.

## AALL LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

(reprinted with permission from the June 1992 AALL Newsletter)

Dear Editor:

On May 14, 1992, Prof. Laura Gasaway appeared at a Congressional hearing as a representative for the "5000 members of AALL" and endorsed H.R. 4426, a bill amending the Copyright Act to remove copyright protection from the pagination and section numbering of legal compilations. The bill legislatively overrules the 8th Circuit decision in Mead v. West. AALL endorsed the bill on two grounds:

- 1. copyright law
- 2. public policy.

I disagree on both counts. I also worry about the manner in which the position was taken.

My space is limited, so I will be brief. On the copyright question there is great confusion. At the hearing, three copyright experts gave three totally different readings on the law. This is a complex issue. On the public policy issue the AALL position is upside down. The bill frees up information, but look at the impact. This legislation is sponsored by the Thompson Company. Thompson's representative testified that Thompson wants to scan pages of the National Reporter System onto CDs for sale. Such products would benefit those who could pay for them, but state-supported law libraries like mine won't be able to do that. Everyone at the hearing acknowledged that this legislation will drive up the cost of the National Reporter System, or kill it in its current form. This is the last thing many patrons need. Many of them use books exclusively. This means less access for the folks who really need it.

I don't think AALL should have supported this bill. This is special interest legislation. I don't know how AALL arrived at its position but I don't agree with it. I hope that the substance and procedural aspects of this matter will be discussed in San Francisco.

Bob Berring University of California-Berkeley

Dear Editor:

I have read and agree with Bob Berring's Letter to the Editor. There are many issues involved here. Let's have a full and open discussion.

> Penny Hazelton University of Washington Gallagher Law Library AALL Immediate Past President

Dear Editor:

Bob Berring states on this page his opposition to AALL's recent endorsement of H.R. 4426 before a congressional committee. His opposition is based on both substantive and procedural grounds.

The reasons why AALL supports this bill are summarized elsewhere on this page by Bob Oakley. Procedurally, AALL endorsed this bill as the end result of the following steps.

The Copyright Committee considered the issue twice and both times a majority of the Committee recommended that the Association support the legislation. The Government Relations Committee similarly considered the bill and a majority of that Committee also recommended that the Association present testimony in support of the bill. The Association's Washington Representative, Bob Oakley, was also in favor of supporting the legislation.

The Executive Board was apprised of the issue immediately prior to the April Executive Board meeting and at that time was provided with handouts from West and listened to a presentation on the issues by representatives of West. After hearing West's discussion, a majority of the members of the Board expressed a willingness to have the Association testify in favor of the legislation. While not included as a part of the formal Board deliberations, the Executive Board was aware of the issue and only one member expressed any reservations about the Association testifying in support of the legislation.

In light of the recommendations of the Copyright Committee, the Government Relations Committee, and the Washington Representative and with the knowledge of the Executive Board, I supported the position that AALL should present testimony on the bill. Bob Oakley and I had other commitments for the date of the hearing and so I asked Lolly Gasaway to testify on behalf of the Association.

Carolyn P. Ahearn Shaw, Pittman, Potts & Trowbridge AALL President Dear Editor:

Recently, congressional hearings were held on H. R. 4426, a bill that would amend the copyright law to place legal citation information in the public domain. After a thorough review of the bill by both the Copyright Committee and the Government Relations Committee, AALL expressed qualified support for H.R. 4426. Laura N. Gasaway, Director of the Law Library and Professor of Law at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, presented the views of the Association. Below is an abstract of her prepared statement:

### Summary of AALL's Position on H.R. 4426:

The American Association of Law Libraries lends its qualified support for H.R. 4426. The Association believes the bill will increase public access to the law by revitalizing competition among legal publishers and by permitting all sectors of the public to systematically use legal citation information.

H.R.4426 will not disturb the existing copyright protection for compilations. The bill is narrowly drafted to place only citation information in the public domain. A legal publisher's intellectual contributions to a compilation--topic and key numbers, headnotes, annotations, tables of contents and indexes remain protected under the Copyright Act.

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Copyright protection should not extend to information used to cite judicial cases. There is no originality in the simple division of text by volume and page numbers. Such information is mechanically applied to compiled text after the creative process has ended. Also, extending copyright protection to citation information could impede the entry of new firms into that line of legal publishing.

Statutory compilations raise a different array of copyright issues. Unlike court reports, statutory codes are built around frameworks which are undeniably original. Nevertheless, citation information relating to statutes should be placed in the public domain for three reasons. First, statutes and their citations are functionally inseparable. Since, by law, statutes cannot be copyrighted, their citations should also belong in the public domain. Second, legal citation manuals vest preferred statutory codes with a quasi-official status. Unless others can freely use the citation information for a preferred code, new publishers cannot enter that publishing market. Third, preparing a statutory code is a government operation and the resulting code arrangement should reside in the public domain.

The AALL cannot support the final subsection of H.R. 4426 since it implicitly suggests that governments may charge fees for access to their legal publications. This is unwise public policy for a society that requires maximum access to government information.

Robert L. Oakley Georgetown University Law Center Member, AALL Executive Board

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## Committee News

#### PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Bev Lipton, Chair

The California State Bar Association Annual Meeting is October 2-5, 1992 at the San Francisco Hilton. NOCALL/SCALL are exhibiting at this Meeting. I need volunteers to man the booth. The exhibit hall is only open from October 2-4. The hours are October 2nd 12 noon-5:00 p.m.; October 3rd and 4th 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. with dismantling of the booth after 4:30 p.m. If you can't volunteer to man the booth, I can use help setting it up on October 1st or taking it down on the October 4th. Please call me at (415) 496-2805. The more volunteers I get the shorter the time spent in the booth. I am going to try for no longer than 2 hours for a shift, 2 persons per shift. We have two volunteers from SCALL and a couple from NOCALL. We are getting the AALL booth from Chicago. We should have a nice display and I think we have a good location. Looking forward to hearing from you.

## CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS COMMITTEE Mary Hood, Chair

The following proposed constitutional amendments have been submitted to the NOCALL Executive Board. In keeping with the NOCALL Constitutional requirements ( "Section 1.... proposed amendments, supported by signatures of five (5) members, shall be filed with the Secretary, in writing, at least forty (40) days prior to a business meeting. Notice thereof shall be sent to all members at least thirty (30) days prior to such meeting. The proposed amendments shall become effective when approved by two-thirds majority of those present and voting at the business meeting.") the proposed amendments were submitted to the Executive Board on June 9, 1992. They will be presented to the membership for adoption at a future business meeting.

## PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS, May 26, 1992

## ARTICLE VII, AMENDMENTS

<u>Section 1.</u> This Constitution may be amended in the following manner: proposed amendments, supported by signatures of five (5) member, shall be filed with the Secretary, in writing, at least forty (40) days prior to a business meeting. Notice thereof shall be sent to all members at least thirty (30) days prior to such meeting. The proposed amendments shall become effective when approved by two-thirds majority of those present and voting at the business meeting.

<u>Section 3</u>, Proposed amendments to this constitution shall be submitted to the American Association of Law Libraries committee on Constitution and Bylaws by the President (upon adoption by the membership of the Association) *Upon review of the AALL Committee on Constitution and Bylaws the amendment will be submitted to the NOCALL membership for approval.* 

<u>Section 1.</u> Any Bylaw may be adopted, repealed, amended or suspended by a majority of those present and voting at any meeting of the Association.

Section 2. Proposed a(A)mendments to the Bylaws shall be submitted to the American Association of Law Libraries Committee on Constitution and Bylaws by the President (upon adoption by the membership of the Association) Upon review of the AALL Committee on Constitution and Bylaws the amendment will be submitted to the NOCALL membership for approval.

Proposed language is *in italics*. (Proposed deletions are in parentheses.)

#### UNION LIST COMMITTEE

Mary Staats and Jaye Lapachet, Co-Chairs

#### ERRATUM:

Please note that the telephone numbers in the Union List directory for BROBECK, PHLEGER & HARRISON - PALO ALTO are switched. The entry SHOULD READ:

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Interlibrary loans: Craig Van de Vooren 415-496-2889

Please correct your directory. We regret any inconvenience this may have caused anyone.

## **CONTINUOUS REPORTING**

Has updating your Union List each spring become a time consuming chore? Perhaps <u>CONTINUOUS REPORTING</u> will provide a helpful solution. It is now possible to send CLASS additions and deletions as you add to or weed your collection. Attached are copies of the CHANGE REPORTING FORM and the NEW TITLE REPORTING FORM. The guidelines found in the introductory pages of the Union List should answer most questions you may have, but please feel free to call Mary Staats at 415-954-4451 or Jaye Lapachet at 415-986-2800 x 225 (N.B. Jaye will be starting library school in late August and will be working part-time).

Mail your completed forms to: Elizabeth Cooney, Serials Editor CLASS, 1415 Koll Circle, Suite 101, San Jose, CA 95112

Jaye has created on INMAGIC a NEW TITLE reporting format which is accepted by CLASS. Contact her for a sample.

#### **CLEAN-UP TIME**

The Committee's primary goal this year is to weed the Union List (only the first part) of titles that are not serials. You can help us. If you notice titles of treatises and other items which don't belong there, please give Mary Staats a call and tell her the title. Thank you.

## Committee News

#### CONSULTING COMMITTEE

Cynthia Papermaster, Chair

The Consulting Committee members are Cynthia Papermaster, Chair, Orrick Law Firm (S.F.), Mary Staats, Farella Law Firm (S.F.), Catherine Finnegan, Apple Computer (Cupertino), Marlene Harmon, Boalt Hall (Berkeley), Martha Mille, Berliner Law Firm (San Jose), and Velvet Glass, McDonough Law Firm (Sacramento).

NOCALL members who receive inquiries re. staffing or organizing law libraries can refer the inquiring person to the committee, who will consult at no cost with the law firm or other institution regarding their law library. The Committee does not actually staff or organize the law library, but it does provide information on how the library could get organized and maintained by a professional, paraprofessional or library service, as appropriate. The Committee has a directory of library services and consultants in Northern California. Anyone wanting a copy of the directory can call Cynthia Papermaster at (415) 773-5831 to request one.

#### **NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE**

Nancy Adams, Chair

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SCALL(State Bar Convention)	750.00	
AALL Ann Mtng(Local Arrngmnts)	1550.00	
Interest	650.21	
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Grants	2105.00	
Insurance	800.00	
Supplies	34.83	
Student Reception	144.49	
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Elections	395.87	
Grant Committee Expenses	134.95	
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## Committee Annual Reports

NOCALL Government Relations Committee Annual Report 1991-1992

The NOCALL Government Relations Committee currently has seven members representing law libraries in the Bay Area and the Central Valley. These libraries include one county law library, three academic law libraries, two law firm libraries. This year, the Committee met seven times and accomplished the following:

- 1. Revised the Committee Statements of Purpose and Procedures to incorporate the AALL Government Relations Committee Government Relations Policy and to provide a mechanism for immediate Committee response to pending legislation (with NOCALL Board acknowledgement); received Board approval for designation of NOCALL President-Elect as ex officio member of the Committee/liaison with Board.
- 2. Continued to monitor state and federal legislation relevant to Northern California Law Libraries and to report on such legislation to NOCALL members through the NOCALL Newsletter, provided one article on this legislation for the NOCALL monthly column in the <u>Daily Journal</u>.
- 3. Prepared "Legislative Resource Brochure" for dissemination to NOCALL membership; provided each member with a copy of California Journal's <u>1-992 Roster</u> and Government Guide as additional resource. Brochure will be updated as needed; <u>Roster</u> will be forwarded to NOCALL members annually. Provided NOCALL members with one-page guide for communicating with legislators (insert in NOCALL Newsletter).
- 4. Participated in the CLA-sponsored "Legislative Day" on May 6, 1992: informed California legislators about issues important to Northern California law libraries.
- 5. Continued liaison with Government Relations Committees of AALL, CLA and local chapters of SLA.
- 6. As the NOCALL Government Relations Committee, corresponded with California legislators on the following issues:
- a. SB 267 Sent a letter of support to Senator Wadie Deddeh, Chair, Senate Committee on Revenue and Taxation, with a copy to the bill's author, Senator Quentin Kopp.
- b. State Law Library: Sent a letter opposing the consolidation of the State Law Library and Information and Reference Center to Senator Rebecca Morgan, Chair, Senate Education Committee.
- c. AB 3692 Sent a letter of **support** to Assemblyman John Vasconcellas, Chair, Assembly Ways and Means Committee, with a copy to the bill's **author**, Assemblyman Chris Chandler.
- d. AB <u>2276</u> Sent a letter of support to Assemblyman John Vasconcellas, Chair, Assembly Ways and Means Committee, with a copy to the bill's author, Assemblyman Dominic Cortese.
  - 7. Prepared the Committee budget for 1992-93.
  - 8. The Agenda for the NOCALL Government Relations Committee for 1992-93 includes:
- continued monitoring of state and federal legislation relevant to Northern California law libraries;
- continued communication with NOCALL membership about such legislation (NOCALL Newsletter column/inserts);

- development, of additional strategies for informing NOCALL members **about** legislation and Committee activities and mechanisms for membership to express its concerns about issues to members (E-mail/membership network/member survey,);
- continued communication with California colleagues in other library professionals' associations (as appropriate),

interests in communications with legislators--surely we have all benefitted.

- development/provision of legislative resource to NOCALL members.

As always, NOCALL Government Relations Committee members worked hard to inform the NOCALL membership about public policies affecting their libraries and to represent NOCALL



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#### AALL GOV-LINE REPORT



June 27, 1992

Produced by the AALL Government Relations Committee
Written and Edited by Susan Lewis-Somers
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The Government Relations Committee of the American Association of Law Libraries produces Gov-Line, a recorded telephone hotline that reports the latest news from Washington and the states on issues of interest to law librarians, and the AALL Gov-Line Report, its print companion. Issues and institutions covered include federal information policy, Library of Congress, the U.S. Judicial Conference, state affairs and many other issues. A new issue of Gov-Line and the AALL Gov-Line Report is published every few weeks when Congress is in session. In addition, anyone may call Gov-Line at (312) 939-7774. For further information about any of the issues discussed in Gov-Line or the AALL Gov-Line Report, you may contact Bob Oakley, AALL's Washington Representative, at (202) 662-9160 or through Bitnet at ROAKLEY@GUVAX.

HEARING SET FOR LC FEES-FOR-SERVICES BILL: The Senate Rules and Administration Committee will hold a hearing on July 22 to consider S. 2748, a bill sponsored by Democratic Senator Claiborne Pell of Rhode Island that would authorize the Library of Congress to develop fee-based products and services for the first time. The Library of Congress Fund Act of 1992 would allow LC to develop customized products and services for "individuals or discrete groups," for which it could charge fees. Such fees would not be allowed to exceed the cost of packaging and distributing these customized products and services. AALL and other library organizations are concerned, however, that included in the list of approved fee-based customized or "specialized" products and services is "electronic access to the contents of the collections." This is a basic service that many librarians argue should fall into one of two other categories of LC products and services now provided to libraries and their patrons at no charge. AALL is also concerned that S. 2748 would implicitly allow LC to charge users, including libraries, licensing fees for the use of its customized products and services. AALL will submit a written statement at the hearing to explain why it cannot support S. 2748 in its current form.

JOINT HEARING SET FOR WINDO/GATEWAY BILLS: The House Administration Committee and the Senate Rules and Administration Committee will hold a joint hearing on July 23 to consider H.R. 2772, the GPO Wide Information Network for Data Online (WINDO) Act of 1991, and S. 2813, the GPO Gateway to Government Act. Both bills would establish in the Government Printing Office a single point of free online public access, through federal depository libraries, to a wide range of federal databases that contain public information. The Senate bill, sponsored by Tennessee Senator Al Gore, would assure broader public access than the House bill by also providing access to agency databases through computer networks like the Internet and the future NREN for a fee, not to exceed "the incremental cost of dissemination." AALL will submit a written statement in support of the two bills.

FORUM SET TO CONSIDER IMPLEMENTATION OF NREN: On July 20-21, the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science (NCLIS) will hold an open forum in Washington to solicit the views and concerns of members of the library and information services communities on the implementation of the National Research and Education Network (NREN), a high speed computer network to link government, industry and the education community. NCLIS will summarize its findings from the forum and share them with the Office of Science and Technology Policy, which will report to Congress on the implementation of the NREN by December. The Commission asks that those presenting oral or written statements to the forum specifically address several issues, including how to fund the NREN and who should pay, the future operation and evolution of the NREN, and how to protect the copyrights of material distributed over the NREN. AALL will submit a written statement addressing some of these issues and a copy of the NREN resolution that it submitted to the White House Conference on Library and Information Services (WHCLIS). The forum will be held in the auditorium of the Department of Labor building at 200 Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, DC. Anyone interested in presenting an oral or written statement to the forum must contact Kim Miller at the Commission office at (202) 254-3100 as soon as possible. Written

statements must be submitted to NCLIS by August 31 at 1111 18th St. NW, Suite 310, Washington, DC 20036. For more information, contact Ms. Miller or Peter Young at the Commission office.

SUBCOMMITTEE APPROVES BILL TO BAR REGIONAL BELLS' PROVISION OF

INFORMATION SERVICES: On May 28, the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Economic and Commercial Law approved H.R. 5096, a bill sponsored by Representative Jack Brooks of Texas that would effectively reinstate a recently-lifted judicial ban on the provision of electronic information services by the seven regional Bell telephone companies over their phone lines. The judicial ban was imposed in 1984 by U.S. District Court Judge Harold Greene when the local operations of the American Telephone and Telegraph Co. (AT&T) were broken up into seven regional companies. Judge Greene believed that the ban was necessary because of the regional companies' dominant power in their local service areas. When an Appeals Court ruling finally forced Judge Greene to lift the ban late in 1991, bills were introduced in Congress by Tennessee Representative Jim Cooper (H.R. 3515) and Hawaii Senator Daniel Inouye (S. 2112) to severely restrict the regional Bells' provision of online information services. While these awaited committee action, Rep. Brooks, who chairs the Judiciary Committee, introduced H.R. 5096 on May 7 and pushed it quickly through the Judiciary subcommittee, where it now awaits full committee action. Newspaper publishers, who have begun to publish their own electronic information services, such as online classified ads, have long opposed the entry of the regional Bells into this area and are supportive of such legislation. AALL and other library organizations have taken no position on any of these bills.

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## Program/Product News

### THE COLD WAR IS OVER

Bev Lipton

Miracles can still happen, even in the world of computers, laser printers and online searching. LEXIS/NEXIS and WESTLAW can share **ONE** HP LaserJet IIISi printer.

My tale begins with our office expansion, which included a new Litigation Library and 90% of our litigators in a separate building, with the mandate that there would not be space for two offline printers. Lexis and Westlaw should be able to print on one printer. The call went out to my MIS Manager, Mr. Neil Holloway, for information on I needed to accomplish this task. Armed with his specifications and my knowledge of how the systems work I then went to my local Lexis and Westlaw representatives asking, How can we accomplish this task? They put me in contact with their technical experts at their respective headquarters and the numerous phone calls, conference calls, equipment shipments, delays, frustrations, etc. began. Four months later, we were printing on one printer, (unfortunately, one month after we were in our new building).

We did it with one HP Laserjet IIISi printer, one Lexis DDD modem box, one Westlaw modem, one Baytech Print Master 700 Series with 3 to 6 ports, one direct phone line for Lexis, and one direct phone line for Westlaw. The Baytech printer box was the key. It has enough buffer/memory storage (4MB) and ports, so that Lexis or Westlaw will not receive a busy signal if the printer is in use. It then can send the job to the printer when it is available. It also manages the Serial and Parallel port configurations.

The project took a great deal of perseverance by Neil and me. This was something brand new for everyone; we all learned by trial and error. The other big accomplishment was getting the representatives and technicians from Lexis and Westlaw to talk to one another. Either Neil or I had to be around at all times, but in the end everyone was working as a team, with the goal of making this work.

It has been working beautifully for three months. We now have dual column printing for Westlaw and this does not affect the Lexis printing. If you are interested in trying this, contact your local representative for Lexis and Westlaw. They should then contact Lyn Wesman for Westlaw and John Whitley for Lexis. If you have any questions, please call me at (415) 496-2805.

## ANNOUNCEMENT - PRE-1900 STATE MATERIALS FOR SALE

The San Francisco Law Library has a number of pre-1900 state reports available for sale. Many of the reports may be unusual or hard to find, and may round out the collections in firm or county libraries in those jurisdictions. States included are: Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, Wisconsin, and Wyoming.

For a list of the items, contact Germaine Radal at 554-6823; fax 554-6820.

## Program/Product News

## U.C. BERKELEY LISTS FALL EXTENSION COURSES

The University of California Extension is offering a number of courses of interest to NOCALL members this fall. For information on any of the courses, contact UC Berkeley Extension at (415) 323-8141. The courses are:

<u>Introduction to Business Information</u>. Wednesday, Sept. 16, 6:30-9:30 p.m. and Saturday, Sept. 19, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., UC Extension Center, 55 Laguna St., San Francisco. Fee: \$160.

<u>Using the Internet: Techniques and Resources for Libraries</u>. Saturday, September 26, 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., 211 Wheeler Hall, UC Campus, Berkeley. Fee: \$160, including individual in-class use of Macintosh SE computers.

On-Line Searching and Electronic Research. Wednesdays, September 30-December 9 (ten-week course), 6:30-9:30 p.m. UC Extension Center, 55 Laguna St., San Francisco. Fee: \$450 with use of UC computer facilities, \$400 without. Course offers 2 semester units of credit.

Automating the Small Library. Saturdays, October 3, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.; and October 17 and November 7, 1:30-5:30 p.m. UC Extension Center, 55 Laguna St., San Francisco. Fee: \$185, including open lab time.

<u>Finding and Getting the Right Library Job.</u> Sundays, October 4 and 11, 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Masonic Hall, 651 Roble Ave., Menlo Park. Fee: \$175, including a 20-minute follow-up appointment for resume evaluation.

<u>Using Online Computer Databases for Market Planning and Research</u>. Saturdays, October 10 and 31, 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., UC Extension Center, 55 Laguna St., San Francisco. Fee: \$175.

<u>Information Brokering: Is This Career for You?</u> Saturdays, November 14 and 21, 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., UC Extension Center, 55 Laguna St., San Francisco. Fee: \$140.

## NOCALL FALL BUSINESS MEETING



# BOALT LAW SCHOOL, VIP ROOM UC BERKELEY

SEPTEMBER 17, 1992, 3PM

## RECEPTION, MEN'S FACULTY CLUB HOWARD LOUNGE - 5PM

Please respond to Marci Hoffman, Boalt Hall Law Library, University of California, Berkeley, California, 94720 by September 11. You can RSVP by telephone to Marci at 800-832-4586 and mail or bring your money to the meeting. The cost of the reception is \$7.50. You can attend the meeting without attending the reception for no charge.



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NAME, ADDRESS, AND PHONE:

PLEASE RSVP BY SEPTEMBER 11, 1992

## **AALL News**

## The AALL Research Agenda

President Mark Estes has appointed a special committee to establish an AALL research agenda and to develop proposals for supporting and encouraging research on the topics listed. The members of the committee are Dick Danner, Nancy Carol Carter, Jack Ellenberger, Catherine Lemann, and Lee Nemchek.

What is a research agenda? As defined by the special committee, the AALL research agenda will be a list of research priorities: areas within law librarianship where research is needed to improve the work of the profession. Some topics on the list will be of general benefit; others will be specific as to library type or specialization.

Why is research in law librarianship important? All professions need ongoing research in order to improve the work and practice of the profession and to remain vital in a changing environment. Research topics on the research agenda should have <u>practical</u> value for the members of the profession. (For more discussion of the importance of research, see Dick's editorial in the Fall 1991 issue of Law <u>Library Journal.</u>)

How will the agenda be compiled? The research agendas of other library associations, such as SLA, will be the sources of ideas for the AALL research agenda, as will other studies that have identified trends and emerging areas of concern where research is needed. We will also have the benefit of a study of academic law library directors' research priorities published in the Summer 1992 issue of Law Library Journal, and a survey of private law librarians published in PLL Perspectives.

These sources will provide the committee with a number of ideas, but what we need most is the current, active participation of all segments of the AALL membership in our project. We hope to compile a tentative list of research topics this fall, which will then be published in draft form for member comment and reaction before it goes to the AALL Executive Board.

What topics should be on the research agenda? How can I let the committee know what research I think needs to be done? Members of the committee are working with the academic, private, and state, court, and county special interest sections to ensure that the needs of librarians in all types of law libraries are considered. We will also be publicizing our project in chapter and other SIS newsletters.

But we need to hear from you to make the project work. If you have ideas for research topics or simply want to discuss the research agenda idea, <u>please contact any members of the committee by November 1</u>: Dick Danner, at the Duke Law Library (email ZAD@FACULTY. LAW. DUKE. EDU); Nancy Carol Carter, at the University of San Diego Legal Research Center; Jack Ellenberger, at Shearman & Sterling in New York; Catherine Lemann, at the Law Library of Louisiana; and Lee Nemchek, at Morrison & Foerster in Los Angeles.

## Membership News

Lee Ryan, Membership Chair

#### Renewals

By now all NOCALL members should have received membership renewal forms for 1992-93. The initial deadline was August 15th. If you have already returned your form, thank you for your prompt response.

For those who have not yet renewed your membership, there is still time for you to be included in the directory if you return your forms as soon as possible.

If you have not received a renewal form, please call me at (415) 666-2253.

## 1992-93 Directory & Volunteer Opportunities

Thanks to the good response to the membership renewal notices, I am optimistic that NOCALL will be able to produce and distribute an updated directory this fall.

NOCALL members who would like to help with the production, proofreading, and mailing of the directory are more than welcome to volunteer for the membership committee. (Those who are interested in other membership committee activities are also welcome to join.) Just give me a call at (415) 666-2253.

## Membership List Sales

From time to time NOCALL sells its membership list for one-time use to selected for-profit and not-for-profit organizations. If you do not want your name to appear on such lists, please contact me at (415) 666-2253. (Next year all renewal forms will have include a check-box for people who would like their names excluded.)

#### New NOCALL Members

NOCALL welcomes the following new members:

Beth Haden Librarian Titchell, Maltzman, et al. 650 California Street, 29th Floor San Francisco, CA 94108 Phone:(415) 392-5600 Fax:(415) 981-5027

NOCALL Status: Active: AALL Member? No

Sharon Hagen Librarian Downey, Brand, et al. 555 Capitol Mall, 10th Floor Sacramento, CA 95814 Phone:(916) 441-0131 Fax:(916) 441-4021

NOCALL Status: Active; AALL Member? No

## Changes for Continuing Members

This newsletters Changes column includes only members who have new addresses. Many members who have sent in their renewals have changed or corrected other information, but because all of these changes will be reflected in the upcoming directory, they have been omitted here. If you have trouble locating a continuing NOCALL member, you may call me at (415) 666-2253.

Leslie Campbell 752 Clayton Street San Francisco, CA 94117

Phone: (415) 644-9910

NOCALL Status: Student; AALL Member?

Yes

Phyllis Cronin 329 - 24th Avenue, Apt. #6 San Francisco, CA 94121 Phone: (415) 666-3872

NOCALL Status: Associate; AALL Member?

Yes

Fax:

Ann DiLoreto Consultant Legal Information Management 390 Summit Drive Redwood City, CA 94062

Phone:

(415) 369-4944 (415) 369-4844

NOCALL Status: Active; AALL Member? Yes

Leigh Margaret Donley Law Librarian Fish and Neave 525 University Avenue, Suite 300 Palo Alto, CA 94301

Phone:

(415) 617-4012

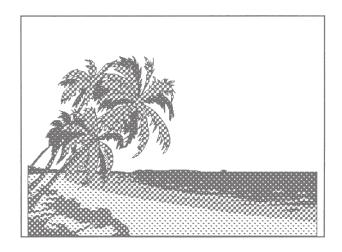
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Sharon McNally Assistant Librarian Wilson, Sonsini, Goodrich & Rosati Two Palo Alto Square, Suite 900 Palo Alto, CA 94306 Phone: (415) 493-9300, x7305 Fax: (415) 493-6811

NOCALL Status: Active: AALL Member? No



## NOCALL New Member Application

## 1992/93

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Michael Jones, Senior Librarian California Attorney Generals Office 455 Golden Gate Avenue, Room 6248 San Francisco, CA 94102

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## Placement News

If you are looking for a position, contact Emily Matteucci; Librarian; Morrison & Foerster; 755 Page Mill Rd.; Palo Alto, CA 94304-1018. (415) 813-5945. If you are recruiting for a position, send a copy of the position description to Emily, and she will send you resumes of those looking for jobs.

Hanson, Bridgett, Marcus, Vlahos & Rudy; San Francisco Library assistant

Duties: daily processing of mail, routing of materials, photocopying, shelving, I.L.L.s, other duties as required. Qualifications: college graduate, ability to perform repetitive tasks effectively, prior library experience preferred, familiarity with INMAGIC. Salary: commensurate with experience. Send your resume to: Lydia H. Freeman, Librarian; Hanson, Bridgett, Marcus, Vlahos & Rudy; 333 Market St., Suite 2300; San Francisco, CA 94105. Please mark the envelope CONFIDENTIAL.

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Part-time job share position in prestigious 40+ attorney firm. Candidate needs experience in technical processing, cataloging, on-line searching and reference using WESTLAW, LEXIS, DIALOG, Information America, RLIN and print materials. Send resume with cover sheet to: Carol Parsons; Folger & Levin; 275 Battery St., 23rd Floor; San Francisco, CA 94111

McCutchen, Doyle, Brown & Enersen; San Francisco Reference Librarian

Responsibilities: Provide legal and business reference including on-line searching. Evaluate new print and on-line sources. Participate in collection development. Coordinate interlibrary loan. Experience: Two years relevant reference experience, preferably in a law or business library. Strong on-line searching skills. Experience with personal computer in libraries. Education: M.L.S. preferred. Send resume and salary requirements to: Personnel Supervisor; McCutchen, Doyle, Brown & Enersen; Three Embarcadero Center, Suite 2800; San Francisco, CA 94111

Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliff Office Librarian

Responsibilities: Supervise office staff, systems implementation, database administration, space planning and other duties. Prefer MLS, 4+ years in supervisory capacity. For more information, contact Minda Rosenthal at (415) 773-5637.

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CA State Prison, New Folsom

R.J. Donovan Correctional Facility, Rock Mountain (3 positions)

Sierra Conservation Center, Jamestown Chuckawalla Valley State Prison, Blythe

For information, contact Janice Stuter, Principal Librarian, California Department of Corrections, Education and Inmate Programs Unit, P.O. Box 942883, Sacramento, CA 94283-0001 (916) 445-8035.

State Bar of California, San Francisco Assistant Librarian/Archivist

Part-time position. Responsibilities: daily upkeep of library and archives, maintenance of materials, assisting staff and public with research questions and providing technical assistance. Will also assist with the storage and destruction of files. Must be detail oriented, have a B.A. degree or equivalent, law library experience, and be able to lift 50 lbs. WordPerfect 5.1 and WESTLAW and data entry experience a plus. The rate of pay is \$13.02 per hour (20 hours per week). To be considered, a State Bar of California application must be submitted. To receive and application, send a self-addressed stamped envelope or visit: State Bar of California; Office of Human Resources; 555 Franklin Street; San Francisco, CA 94012