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# NOCALL NEWS

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT

by Todd Bennett  
NOCALL President

This seems to happen to me every year, but as August draws to a close, I find that once again I'm asking myself, where has the summer gone? I hope all of you have had an enjoyable season. My summer has been an especially good one. My first nephew was born, I've had great visits with friends and family and even did a bit of traveling, including the AALL Annual Meeting in Seattle.

Overall, I thought it was an excellent meeting -- all aspects of the convention, from the gorgeous setting of Seattle and Puget Sound, to the quality of the programs and the outstanding work of the Local Arrangements Committee.

Headquarters scheduled a full day on Saturday for chapter presidents which included speakers from the AALL Executive Board and a variety of workshops. An added bonus for me was having the opportunity to attend a meeting of the Council of Chapter Presidents. It was quite inspiring to hear about some of the activities of other chapters within AALL. I

also felt a sense of pride in the strength of our chapter. I'm looking forward to hearing your impressions about the meeting.

The NOCALL Executive Board has met twice since my last column. One of the major highlights from our first meeting was the creation of board member/committee liaisons. We divided the committees between the Board and each board member will work the committees assigned to them. NOCALL Executive Board meetings are open to all members, but it is often difficult for many folks to attend. I want to insure that the Board and committees have the best communication possible.

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Another highlight was that the Board agreed on the notion of a Fifteenth Anniversary Celebration for NOCALL. Lauri Flynn volunteered to be part of the committee. We are considering a dinner meeting in place of the regular January luncheon. We are exploring several ideas and dates. NOCALL is eligible for a visit from an AALL president this year. We've made our request to have AALL President, Carol Billings, attend our celebration. Please give Laurie or myself a call if you'd like to help plan this event or if you have any ideas. We would love to hear from you.

The major highlight of our last board meeting was the passage of a balanced budget. The Board made a couple of resolutions which will enable us operate with a strong budget without

taking money out of the pockets of our members. One of the resolutions is to create a NOCALL Task Force on Fundraising. If you are interested in being part of the this task force, please give me a call.

The Fall Business Meeting is scheduled for Friday, September 23rd, in the VIP Room at Boalt. A reception at the Women's Faculty Club will follow. Laura Peritore and Nancy Hoebelheinrich are working on arranging a very special guest speaker for our meeting, Assemblymember Tom Bates. At this time, his appearance has not been finalized, so keep your fingers crossed.

If you haven't volunteered to be part of a NOCALL committee, we still need you. Please consider offering some of your time and talent.

I look forward to seeing everyone in September. Be well.



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September/October issue:      October 14, 1994

All disks will be returned. Submissions made to Committee, Membership and Placement Editors should be made earlier so they can submit theirs by that date. Check with the individual editor.

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## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE BOARD MEETING

July 25, 1994

1. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.
2. The Treasurer's Report for June 1 - July 25 1994 was approved. It showed a beginning balance of \$16,682.65, income of \$18,947.78, expenses of \$3,775.18, and an ending balance of \$31,855.25.
3. The Audit and Budget Committee presented their report, which showed a discrepancy between the Treasurer's Report and the report of the outside auditor, attributed to checkbook balances and quarterly report figures. The committee presented a budget for 1994-95 that contains a \$9454.00 deficit. The board postponed approval of this budget, pending further consideration at a meeting on August 19 and efforts on the part of all committees to reduce their expenses and suggest sources for income.
4. Each board member will serve as liaison to several committees to improve communication with the membership. the assignments are:  
  
Todd Bennett: AALL Liaison, Constitution & Bylaws, Education, Union List, Placement  
Lauri Flynn: Archives, Grants, Public Access  
Donna Hughes-Oldenburg: Audit & Budget, Library School Liaison, Membership, public Relations  
Nancy Adams: Consulting, Internet, Newsletter, Nominations  
Donna Purvis: Government Relations, Spring Institute  
The committee chairs are being asked to prepare a statement of goals and objectives for the September Business Meeting
5. The Annual Meeting was tentatively scheduled for Thursday, May 11, 1995. The Fall business Meeting will be on Thursday, September 22, 1994. Locations for both will be determined. The board is also considering holding at 15th anniversary dinner for NOCALL.
6. President Todd Bennett proposed adding two members at large to the board to increase participation by the membership. He will research this concept with other chapters and report.
7. It was agreed to try to offer MCLE credit under the auspices of employers who are already providers. No one has an estimate as to how many of our members are members of the bar and in need of MCLE credits.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nancy Adams, NOCALL Secretary

### ... Editor's Notes ...

*Putting together my first issue of NOCALL NEWS has been an adventure, with all of the frustrations and satisfactions implied by that word. I want to thank the members of the Newsletter Committee, especially Mark Mackler, Michael Ginsborg, Lee Ryan and Faye Jones for their assistance. Many thanks to Jane Metz for the feature article and to Robin Imhoff and everyone else who contributed feedback from Seattle. Without the help of Lida Wen and Peter Dempsey, my husband's drafts person and computer consultant respectively, I'm not sure that this issue ever would have appeared. I'm truly grateful for all of their time and efforts.*

*I'm always interested in your ideas and comments about the newsletter. You can reach me by phone, (510) 642-0171, or e-mail, mharmon@uclink2.berkeley.edu.*

#### NEWSLETTER DEADLINES Volume 15, 1994/1995

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### INTERNET TRAINING RESOURCES by Joan Loftus, Internet Coordinator Pillsbury, Madison & Sutro, San Francisco

If you'd like to get a quick start on using the Internet, here are some suggestions for classes, books to purchase, and other resources on navigating the Internet. The following information is taken directly from the NOCALL Web Server.

#### Classes

Internet Literacy Consultants, Bay Area (415) 469-8271:  
Internet 101, 9/11 (S.F.) \$30, 9/11 (Palo Alto) \$60  
The Learning Annex, San Francisco (415) 788-5500:  
Learn to use the Internet for Fun & Profit, 9/19 \$39  
Liberty Hill Cyberwerks, San Francisco (415) 552-6543:  
Navigating the Internet, 9/10, 9/11  
UC Berkeley Extension, Berkeley (510) 642-4111:  
Using the Internet Part 1, 9/17, 12/7 \$200  
Using the Internet Part 2, 11/12 \$185

#### \*\*\* Attention Newbies \*\*\*

A Free e-mail course is being offered on learning the basics of the Internet. The course will provide tips on how to access many of the Internet tools for those who currently have Internet accounts and also for people who only have e-mail access. The "Roadmap for the Information Superhighway Interactive Internet Training Workshop" will begin in October 1994. To subscribe to the course, send a message to [LISTSERV@UA1VM.UA.EDU](mailto:LISTSERV@UA1VM.UA.EDU) with the following in the body of the message: SUB ROADMAP YOURFIRSTNAME YOURLASTNAME (i.e. sub roadmap Tom Jones).

#### Books

Hahn, Harley & Rick Stout. The Internet Complete Reference.  
Berkeley: Osborne McGraw-Hill, 1993.  
Levine, John R. and Carol Baroudi. The Internet for Dummies.  
San Mateo, CA: IDG Books, 1993.  
Milles, Jim. "Where to Start" for New Internet Users. This  
bibliography is available by e-mail.  
Send a message to [LISTSERV@UBVM.CC.BUFFALO.EDU](mailto:LISTSERV@UBVM.CC.BUFFALO.EDU) with the following in the  
body of the message: GET NEWUSERS FAQ NETTRAIN F=MAIL

#### Resources

NOCALL/SCALL Buddies program. Matches up new users with more  
experiences users in a mentor/buddy program. Maintains a mailing list for questions and  
news items. For more info, call Joan Loftus at (415) 983-1770

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Usenet News. The following newsgroups are good resources for the new user:  
alt.internet.services, news.answers, news.newusers.questions, bit.listserv.help-net

NOCALL/SCALL Buddies Web Server. Contains cheat sheets, training documents  
Internet Starter Kit, and current information on Internet classes.

### **How Do I Get to the NOCALL and Buddies Web Server and See All These Goodies?**

The URL for the NOCALL/Buddies Server is:

`ftp://ftp.netcom.com/pub/loftus/nocall/home.html`

On Netcom, CLASS, or any other system with access to the UNIX shell, type in the  
following at your system prompt (e.g., class%, netcom):

`lynx ftp://ftp.netcom.com/pub/loftus/nocall/home.html`

If you can't get to a system prompt on your service, follow these telnet instructions to  
access the NOCALL/Buddies Server: telnet acc.wuacc.edu/login as: lawnet/choose the  
unofficial menu/choose AALL Chapters (NOCALL, etc)/choose NOCALL.



If you've never used lynx before, type H when you get into the menu to see the  
keystroke commands.

### **Do I Have to Type That "lynx ftp://ftp.netcom.com" Thing Every Time?**

No, you can set up an alias for it. At your system prompt, type in: `pico .cshrc`

Cursor to the bottom of the file and type all of the following in one line: `alias nocall  
'lynx ftp://ftp.netcom.com/pub/loftus/nocall/home.html'`

Press the Ctrl X keys to save the file. Hit the y key to save the modified buffer. Hit the  
enter key to name the file `.cshrc`.

You need to log out of your service for the change to take effect. When you sign in  
again, type `nocall` at the system prompt and you will go directly into the NOCALL/Buddies  
Server.

### **Miscellany**

If you see references to local courses or training material which might be useful for the  
NOCALL or Buddies Servers, please let me know (`loftus@netcom.com` or 415-983-1770).

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## NOCALL SPRING INSTITUTE 1995

by Donna Purvis  
Institute Committee Chair

We are in the beginning stages of developing the Spring Institute. If you would like to be a part of the Institute Committee, please give me a call at (415)576-3066.

We are asking each member to give us some input on topics for the Institute. This is your opportunity to assist the Institute Committee in developing a program that will best meet the interests of the Chapter members. We hope you will take the time to complete the survey below and either return it to me or communicate your responses by e-mail by October 15, 1994.

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### NOCALL SPRING INSTITUTE 1995

Please rank the topics below as follows:

- 1 - **HIGHLY** Interested
- 2 - **MODERATELY** Interested
- 3 - **NOT** Interested

- #1 Health Care Law \_\_\_\_\_
- #2 Environmental Law \_\_\_\_\_
- #3 International Law \_\_\_\_\_
- #4 Business Law \_\_\_\_\_
- #5 Labor and Employment Law \_\_\_\_\_
- #6 Litigation \_\_\_\_\_
- #7 Changing Environment/  
"Keeping Pace with the  
Information Boom" \_\_\_\_\_
- #8 Miniconference on the  
Issues of the National  
Conference of Legal  
Information Issues \_\_\_\_\_  
(We would invite Northern California speakers scheduled for the National Conference to speak or attend our Institute. We could cover a few of the topics such as access to information for the public, copyright, evolving citation formats, connecting to other players in the legal field.)
- #9 Other Suggestions \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail your completed questionnaire to: Donna Purvis, NOCALL Vice President, Baker & McKenzie, 2 Embarcadero Center, Suite 2400, San Francisco, CA 94111 or E-mail: Donna\_L\_Purvis@bakermck.com





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## GOVERNMENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE

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Margaret Durkin, Chair  
U.C. Davis Law Library

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Nancy Hoebelheinrich for the exemplary job she has done as Chair of the Government Relations Committee. The Committee's annual report which appeared in the last number of this publication detailed for the members the active program which the Committee pursued under Nancy's leadership.

As the Committee Chair for this year, I hope to build on the discussions that were begun last year. The Committee has wrestled with questions relative to the form and content of the information communicated to the NOCALL membership.

The Committee's emphasis has been in monitoring federal, state and local legislation, i.e. the status of specific bills. The Committee would like to move more into an issue oriented model and discuss policy issues and impacts as well as the consequences of specific legislation.

We would like to hear what issues are of interest to the membership and we will act accordingly to address them. We are still struggling with the issue of communication - how can the Committee best hear and be heard in a timely manner. All suggestions will be entertained and all new members are especially welcome. You may contact me at the following:



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Fax: (916) 752-8766  
E-mail: MMDURKIN@UCDAVIS.EDU

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### *Action Taken at the State Level:*

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The following is the latest update on certain California Bills that we have been monitoring:

**SB 1865**(Campbell) State Law Library funding. Signed by the Governor on 7-15-94

**AB 2451**(Bates) Public access to state agency information. Passed by the Senate on 8-29-94 and sent to the Assembly 8-31-94 to unfinished business.

**AB 2523**(Bowen) Master networking plan between all state agencies and the judiciary. Enrolled 8-23-94.

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**AB 2524**(Bowen) State agency public records in electronic format. Passed by the Senate on 8-23-94 and sent to the Assembly on 8-23-94 to inactive file.

**AB 2525**(Bowen) Removal of disclosure exemption from state agency correspondence to the Governor. Passed by the Assembly on 6-1-94 and sent to the Senate Rules Committee failed passage on 7-5-94.

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***Action Taken at The National Level:***

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NOCALL GRC wrote to Senators Diane Feinstein and Barbara Boxer in regard to HR 4454 which threatened to cut \$1.5 million from the Superintendent of Documents' Salaries and Expenses budget. This money was to be used to help distribute electronic information to the Depository Library Program as mandated by PL 103-50 (Government Printing Office Electronic Information Access Enhancement Act of 1993). This bill was eventually passed on 7-22-94 and became PL 103-283, with the funding restored to \$32.2 million.

On the national level the issues to watch are the Clipper Chip, the related issue of the just proposed FBI wiretap bills, HR 4922 and S 2375, and the issue of Telecommunications/Universal Service.

The issue of Universal Service is described well in an article in September 1994 *Wired* p.102 "Universal Service" by John Browning (this article was recently posted on govdoc-l as part of a message from Victor Schribman). Some issues to consider are what services will be considered basic, how will basic services be funded, and how will regulation affect the choices available. AALL has been looking at how libraries are treated in the various bills. The bills to watch are the Markey-Fields bill (H 3636), the Brooks-Dingell bill (H 3626), and the Hollings bill (S 1086). Congressional leaders hoped to pass a bill by September, but other issues may postpone that date.

Much has been written about the Clipper Chip, but one of the best articles was in the June 12, 1994 *New York Times* "Battle of the Clipper Chip" by Steven Levy. There are many reasons why encryption is desirable. It could be used to make fax transmissions confidential, cellular telephone calls could be made confidential, and messages sent via computer would reach their destination without fear of being tapped. With the adoption of the Clipper Chip the only people who could decode your message are the receiver and Uncle Sam. Those on the pro side say that we need the chip to protect us from nuclear terrorists and the like, those on the con side say the loss of privacy is too large a price to pay for the slim chance of catching criminals who would be foolish enough to use encryption that could be broken by the government. There are also those who oppose Clipper because of the limits it places on the development of alternative encryption technology. We encourage you to read more about Clipper, and let your representatives know how you feel. A recent article in July/August 1994 *Internet World* by Mike Godwin, "A chip over my shoulder: the problems with Clipper" p.92-95, includes a box on how to get more information about Clipper (both pro and con) via the internet.

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### **THE UNION LIST: IT'S MORE THAN JUST A REFERENCE BOOK; IT'S A WAY OF LIFE**


by Gary E. Cann, Union List Media Coordinator  
Morrison & Foerster

#### **What? A Union List Column?**

The Union List Committee has decided to be a little more visible and produce a column in each issue of the NOCALL Newsletter. We will be publishing deadlines for the submission of materials for the Union List, print changes to the directory portion of the Union List, and maybe even start an advice to the lovelorn section. Any ideas for future topics will be welcomed.

#### **A Well-Organized Committee Means Everything To Me**

It is with great pleasure and pride that we announce the convention of the new NOCALL Union List Committee! Our new Committee is bigger and better than ever and we have the pleasure of welcoming three new members: Dan Cunningham of Thelen Marrin, Johnson & Bridges, Marian Shostrom of the University of San Francisco Law Library, and Marie Schneider of Brobeck, Phleger & Harrison. Marie, Marian and Dan join already-broken-in Committee members Mary Staats, Jaye LaPachet, Gary Cann and Debbie Dinneen. As the Committee welcomes our new lambs to the fold we are also reorganizing our functions and (in an attempt to gain a little self-importance), have given ourselves little titles that match our new duties:



Mary Staats: Co-Chair and CLASS Liaison  
Jaye LaPachet: Co-Chair and Database Manager  
Gary Cann: Media Coordinator  
Dan Cunningham: Database Manager  
Debbie Dinneen: Internet Liaison  
Marie Schneider: Mailing Maven  
Marian Shostrom: Secretary

Although the self-importance issue is a valid concern, the reasons for the reorganization are simple: to streamline our operations and set a timetable for the revision, production and sale of the Union List. Each of the many tasks of proofing, editing, data entry, sales, etc., of the Union List have been evenly divided among the Committee members. This, hopefully, will make the production of subsequent editions easier for everyone.

The calendar we have set for ourselves include the following dates, though approximate at this time. It may help each Union List participant to anticipate what to look forward to during the up-coming year.

October 15, 1994:	Requests for submitting corrections or new holdings for the municipal, state and local codes section of the Union List will be sent out.
October 15, 1994:	Requests for submitting changes or additions to the directory portion of the Union List will be sent out.
November 15, 1994:	Deadline for submitting corrections or new holdings for the municipal, state and local codes section of the Union List.
November 15, 1994:	Deadline for submitting changes or additions to the directory portion of the Union List.
January 1995:	The 10th edition of the Union List goes into production and the notices for the sale of the Union List are circulated.
January-March 1995:	The Union Lists are mailed to purchasers.
July 1, 1995:	Deadline for submitting corrections or new holdings for the serials sections of the Union List (for the 11th edition).

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### 9th Edition Union List Sales

So far we have sold about 140 copies of the 1994-95 (9th edition) Union List. Sales have been brisk and we have sold about as many as last year. And although it looks like most institutions have purchased their copies, there are limited numbers still available. Remember that the holidays are just around the corner. What lucky librarian wouldn't like another copy of the Union List for his or her personal use at home?

### Directory Changes

Please note the that phone number for the Continuing Education of the Bar (CEB) should reflect a 510 area code, not a 415 area code. Also note that the California State Law Library (CLAW) is not listed in the directory section. CLAW's records had been "suppressed" in past editions of the Union List but are active and very visible in the current edition. Please amend your directory to include the following information:

California State Law Library (CLAW)  
914 Capitol Mall  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Mailing address:  
P.O. Box 942837  
Sacramento, CA 94237-0001  
Phone: (916) 654-0185

Beth Owens, Reference Librarian  
Esther Huston, Reference Librarian  
Vera Nicholas, Reference Librarian

### Continuous Updating of Your Library's Holdings

If you are already a participant in the Union List, you are encouraged to update your holdings continuously by using either the NEW TITLE form for adding a title or the CHANGE form for making changes or deletions. (These forms are included in this issue of the Newsletter.) If you can incorporate it into your acquisition or de-selection procedures, the record of your titles and holdings in the database will always be current. All completed forms should be sent directly to CLASS.

If you need information regarding the Union List, please contact any Committee member. Until the next issue!

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### MARK YOUR CALENDARS! 1994 ANNUAL NOCALL FALL WORKSHOP

*This year's Fall Workshop is scheduled for Friday, November 18th at the Parc Oakland Hotel in Oakland. The Fall workshop will offer an assortment of practical and interesting discussions. The topics will include: Copyright Policies for Law Libraries, Health Issues in the Workplace, Effective Time Management and Current Cataloging Issues in Law Libraries. The Parc Oakland is conveniently located at Broadway and 11th Streets, a block from the 12th St./ City Center BART station and near plenty of parking. Watch your mail for program and registration information.*

*The Education Committee is still looking for a few volunteers to assist in coordinating the workshop. If you are interested, contact Prano Amjadi by phone: (408) 554-5320, or e-mail: [pamjadi@scuacc.scu.edu](mailto:pamjadi@scuacc.scu.edu) or Leslie Campbell by phone: (408) 554-5137, or e-mail: [lmcampbell.scuacc.scu.edu](mailto:lmcampbell.scuacc.scu.edu).*



# NEW TITLE Reporting Form

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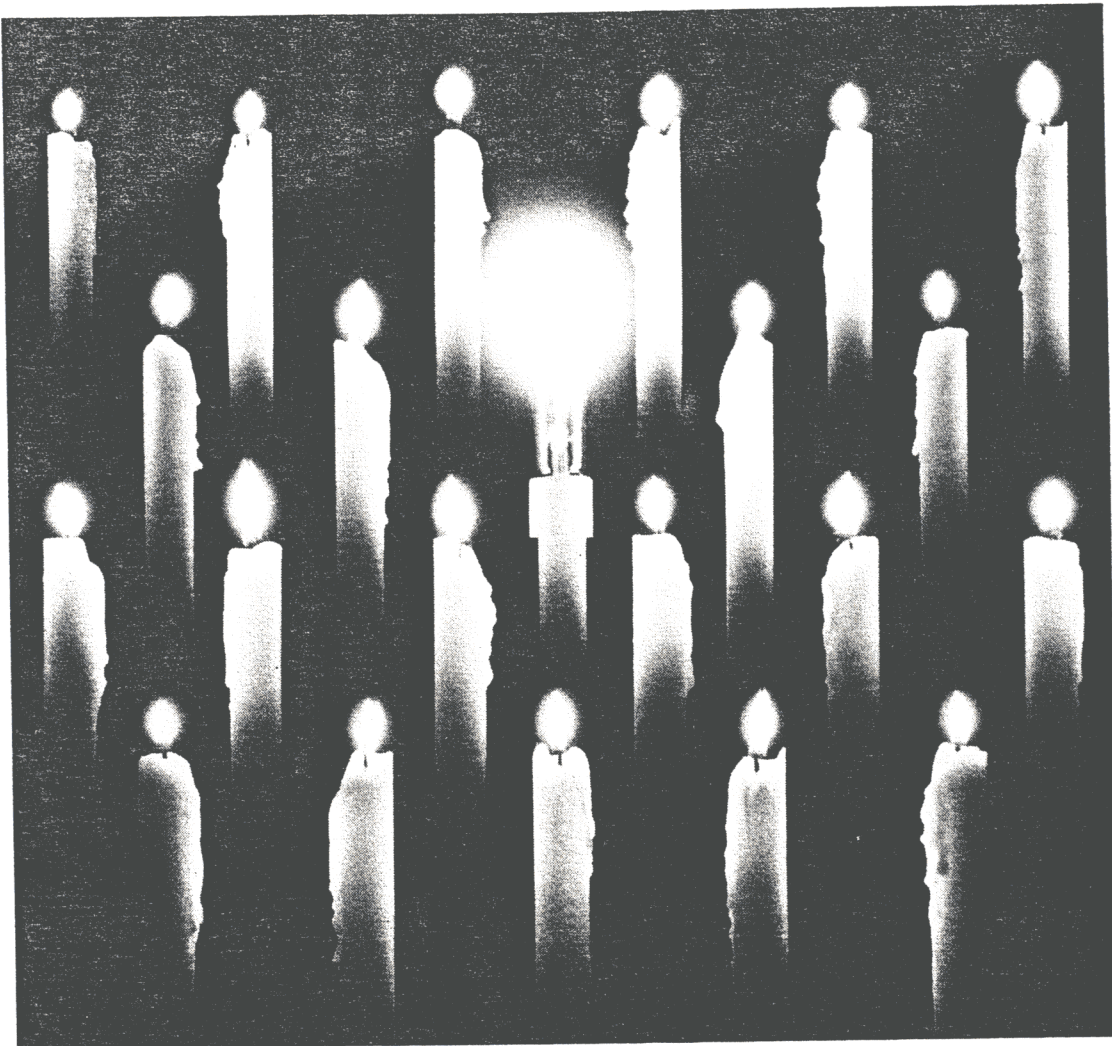
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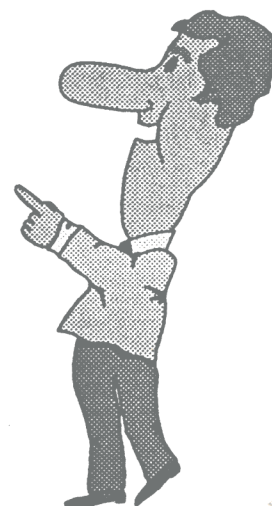


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## **FROM THE NEWSROOM TO THE LAW FIRM**

**By Jane Metz, Reference Librarian  
McCutchen, Doyle, Brown and Enersen  
San Francisco**

Fellow law librarians are often surprised when I tell them that my previous job was as a newspaper librarian. I'm not quite sure where this reaction comes from. I would like to flatter myself and say that they are surprised at my great talent and ability to just suddenly switch jobs and be an instant success. (I doubt it). I fear that their reaction stems from the belief that working in a law library requires special preparation and intense training in understanding the law and lawyers. (What I used to think). Or perhaps all of the law librarians I've discussed this with are so happy in their own jobs that they can't imagine being any other type of librarian. (A rather remote possibility).

For three years I worked as a librarian for the *San Jose Mercury News*. It was my first professional position after receiving my MLS from San Jose State. My job responsibilities at the Merc included regular reference desk hours, answering a public reference telephone line, preparing daily news articles for electronic storage at Vu/Text, and maintaining a photo archive.

How did I make the transition from a newspaper to law librarian? Very poorly at first. Or so it felt. But after the initial learning period, I began to realize that most of the differences between the two jobs were cosmetic. Even better, I learned that most of the similarities were things which had attracted me to librarianship in the first place.

### **Taking the Plunge**

When Jo Caporaso, Librarian at McCutchen, interviewed me for the position of Reference Librarian, I was full of doubts. Jo had obtained my resume at the Special Libraries Association annual conference job placement center. I wondered what compelled her to call me. I had absolutely no legal background. Searching newspaper databases via Vu/Text was second nature, but I knew nothing about searching legal databases via Westlaw. I knew NEXIS, but had never ventured over to LEXIS. I decided that I was interviewing for the heck of it, and was so relaxed that I fell asleep on BART en route to the

interview. Well, I must have done something right, because a second interview and a job offer followed.

Although it is probably not wise to express doubts to the person who has just offered you a job, I revealed some of my apprehensions to Jo. She reassured me that I would learn it all. On top of that, Jo predicted that within six months I would feel completely at ease at the reference desk. I decided to take the plunge.

Plunge I did. At first it felt as though I had stepped off of a cliff. It took me months to figure out that Civil Procedure Before Trial, Schwarzer, and "the red Rutter" were all the same thing. I had a terrible time distinguishing between the courts, their rules, and the reporters. The names all sounded alike to me. The loose-leaf sets made my head spin. I kept Bieber's Dictionary of Legal Abbreviations with me at all times. At home at night, I read books on legal research. The first time a rather gruff partner became impatient with me and said, "just forget it, I'll find it myself," I felt like a complete failure. I began wondering why I ever attempted this career move.

Luckily, this baptism by fire passed quickly. I began to see patterns in the reference questions being asked. I picked up on the legal materials. I observed that a lot of the research requests were actually non-legal. Jo was right. Within six months, I felt like an old pro.

### **The Differences**

The newspaper was truly an industrial plant and the work environment often reflected this. We had everyone from the mechanics who kept the delivery trucks running, to the people who sold classified advertisements, to the CEO under the same roof. Equipment-wise, the building housed everything from the presses, to the cafeteria deep fryers, to mainframe computers.

The *Mercury News* Library was appropriately functional, practical, and industrial in appearance. In other words, the library looked like an afterthought, a hodgepodge, and a

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dumping ground. It was housed in a virtual "lean-to," on one side of the main editorial newsroom. At that time, the bulk of the library was dominated by cabinets and huge compact filing units which housed the pre-Vu/Text clippings and the photo archives. The compact units were famous for breaking down, sometimes with a spectacular show of shuddering, explosive sounds, and burning smells.

We had a library manager, seven librarians, and a library clerk crammed into these already crowded environs. My first day on the job, I was assigned a two-drawer filing cabinet and told that was where I could keep my things. It didn't even lock. I eventually graduated to a semi-private desk, wedged into a corner.

The newspaper was more or less a twenty-four hour operation, and the newsroom looked it. Some of the reporters' desks were piled so high that when you sat in the chair, a paper barricade blocked out the rest of the newsroom. Now that I think of it, perhaps that was the entire point. Reporters were also known for being food slobs. Chinese take-out containers and pizza boxes were scattered everywhere. On one occasion, a half-eaten bowl of fruit salad was left on a countertop until it fermented and began breeding flies. A Krups coffee maker had green mold growing in the carafe. Every available surface held an array of mugs, some of which looked as if they had not been washed since the Watergate story broke. The trash, the flies, and the attitude spilled over into the library.

Looking back, I do not miss the physical environment of the newspaper library at all. Now I may complain that the firm's library is poorly designed, the reference desk lay-out is awful, the collection is cramped, the coffee is bad, and my office needs better lighting. But none of it will compare with my last job.

### **The Similarities**

When people ask me if working for attorneys is any different from working for reporters, I usually joke that attorneys dress better. In all reality, the reference, the end-users, and the fast pace of both types of libraries is pretty much the same.

The reference questions of reporters and lawyers are very similar. Reporters and attorneys are both often expected to become overnight experts in a company, a medical condition, or a person. They are both constantly fact-checking seemingly obscure little details. But I must admit

that the reporters' questions tended to be more "fun," often involving pop-culture. Just compare some of these real life examples of reference questions:

#### Attorney research request:

how to serve a subpoena in Russia  
jury verdicts re: accidental loss of limb  
patents for "skin patch" drug delivery  
systems

biography of Judge Aguilar  
agent for service of process at company X

#### Reporter research request:

pictures of each republic's flag  
body piercing  
aroma-therapy  
biography of Jack Kerouac  
divine apparitions (Jesus in a tortilla)

As anyone who has ever sat at a reference desk can attest, you never know what people are going to ask you!

The library users are also very similar in both types of libraries. At the newspaper, the bulk of our users were editors, reporters, and copy clerks. But photographers, security guards, pressmen, and just plain old people off of the street wandered in. For some reason, a large percentage of the public did not understand the concept of a private corporate library. Just about every day, at least one person (usually claiming to be a long-time subscriber) would arrive at the library ready to do research. The firm library is similar with the exception of Joe Public. Either the people on the street don't know we're here or they don't care. At the firm, the bulk of our users are attorneys and legal assistants. But once again, department managers, secretaries, and mailroom clerks drop by with questions. And true to form, we help them all.

The other major similarity between the two libraries is the fast pace. Most every request seems to be a rush. Attorneys will breathlessly announce, "I have a five o'clock filing!" Stories (as newspaper articles are called) are also filed. I still find myself referring to deadlines, but the lawyers don't seem to mind. In both libraries, a necessary part of the reference interview is "When do you need this by?"

### **Overall**

While I find my job at the firm both interesting and challenging, I still sometimes miss certain aspects of the newspaper. I miss

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knowing the news as it is happening, reading papers on the job, working with CNN on in the background, and unlimited online time (great for those personal research projects or settling a bet). I miss some of the reference requests: the odd-ball and the trivial. But those are just sentimental feelings, and I know switching jobs was both a

good career move and personal decision. Part of the challenge of being a librarian is rising to the occasion. I savor the notion that no matter what type of library I work in, I have the opportunity to learn something new every day. I hope this means that my job will never get boring.

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## AALL Calendar

**January 25 - 27**

Special Libraries Association Winter Conference, Raleigh-Durham, North Carolina

**February 3 - 9**

American Library Association Midwinter Meeting, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

**February 15 - 18**

"Teaching Legal Research", AALL Winter Institute, San Diego, California. Information will be mailed to AALL members in mid-September.

**February 24 - 25**

The 23rd Annual SCALL (Southern California Association of Law Libraries) Institute, Mission Inn, Riverside, California. Topic and contact person to be announced.

**March 29 - April 1**

Association of College and Research Libraries Conference, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

**March 29 - April 1**

National Library Week

**April 9 - 15**

The National Legal Research Teach-In, sponsored by the Research Instruction Caucus of the AALL.

**June 24 - 29**

American Library Association Annual Conference, Chicago, Illinois.

**July 15 - 20**

American Association of Law Libraries Annual Meeting, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

## NOCALL FALL BUSINESS MEETING

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 1994**

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*Call for Volunteers*  
by Todd Bennett

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## ... NEWS FROM THE AALL ANNUAL MEETING IN SEATTLE ...

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### TAKE IT FOR GRANTED

Robin Imhof,  
Carr, McClellan, Ingersoll,  
Thompson & Horn, P.C.

Has it been a month already? It seems as though we were just talking about the Annual Meeting in Seattle and now it's come and gone. First off let me say that it's true what I've heard about the Annual Meeting giving you a professional boost - something that we rarely get from the day-to-day work environment. Since my return, I have been able to stand a little taller & stretch a bit further (which comes in handy for reshelving purposes), knowing I'm a part of such a multi-talented profession.

At the risk of sounding like a PBS voice-over, the opportunity to attend my first professional meeting was made possible by a grant from my local chapter. Although my employer contributed a portion of my expenses, the balance was picked up by the generous \$800.00 grant from NOCALL.

Why did I need a grant? Well, my firm has undergone some major changes since I started working here. The Executive Director and Personnel Manager who hired me are no longer with the firm, and the firm changed to a Professional Corporation with two new co-presidents at the helm. Most of us know what a secure feeling this tends to create. In the midst of all the changes, I was determined to attend the Annual Meeting and submitted my proposal to the Executive Director. I indicated that I had applied for a grant in the memo, in the hopes that it would demonstrate some resourcefulness on my part. My goal was at least to get to this first meeting, demonstrate how beneficial it was for me to attend, and hope that the firm would send me with their blessing (and financial support) to subsequent meetings. Also, as I am a student with fall semester fees looming, paying for my own expenses was not an option.

My proposal was approved and it opened up some dialog between myself and the new Personnel Manager with regards to my involvement with NOCALL, my coursework in school and plans for the firm's library. I was congratulated upon receiving the grant and in general, felt I had established a good relationship with the new management team as a result of my efforts to streamline costs. After all, they both happen to be CPAs.

I would encourage any of you who would otherwise not be able to attend the Annual Meeting to apply for a grant. I am grateful to have had the opportunity to go to Seattle and am looking forward to future AALL meetings.

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## ... IMPRESSIONS OF AALL IN SEATTLE ...

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*NOCALL President Todd Bennett suggested that I post a request on the NOCALL List for any brief impressions of the AALL Annual Meeting this past July in Seattle. Here are some of the responses, printed with thanks to their authors.*

There seemed to be more programs this year addressing service to public patrons - a very fast growing segment of law library users, given the economics of justice. The internet area was much "beefier" and slicker than in Boston, and probably will improve that much more in Pittsburgh, as Internet itself continues to blossom. The weather was \*uncharacteristically\* sunny - we all lucked out! On the other hand, I think Northern California coffee houses are catching up to Seattle (and I don't

believe we were ever behind the overrated Starbucks. Give me Peets any day!) Anyway, I had a great time and tended to hear only compliments about the host city.

Angus Nesbit, Sacramento County Law Library.

The joint reception was really fun--too bad  
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this year people seemed to not attend--it is a sad state of affairs when people would rather attend the "free" events (IMHO, not free at all--just boring sales pitches) instead of see and interact with their NOCALL "cousins." Anyway, the billiards hall was beautiful, with a view of the lake, the food was great, and we had a ball on the virtual reality race cars...

Leslie Ann Forrester  
Law Library Director  
Murphy, Weir & Butler  
San Francisco

Having been a Co-Chair for Local Arrangements for an AALL Annual Meeting, I want to commend the work of the Local Arrangements Committee. Local Arrangements carried out the Pacific-Asian theme beautifully with decorations for the Opening Reception and the Luncheon and highlighted the Emerald City spectacularly at the Closing Banquet. The committees paid attention to the details during the planning stages and it showed in the final production. I think Seattle will remain as one of those really memorable conventions!

Virginia Kelsh,  
Director, University of San Francisco Law Library

What a great idea to include comments in our NOCALL Newsletter. Joan Loftus dragged me to the Public Relations Poster Session on Wednesday morning, and am I glad she did. The room was filled with tables of brochures, bookmarks and marketing pieces. I enjoyed picking up sample bookmarks and seeing how creative you can be. One firm librarian used those popular novelty rubber stamps on her library's bookmarks. This would be a fun thing to repeat at the end of the NOCALL workshop. On a more serious topic, Joan Howland moderated a very worthwhile session on Wednesday afternoon on "Managing Your Boss". It was valuable for dealing with those above us and below us on the organization chart. The tape could become a best seller.

Jo Caporaso  
Librarian  
McCutchen, Doyle, Brown & Enersen

One thing that I really like about conventions, and this was only my third, is that

people are so collegial. I also thought the programs were good, especially the large one on legal research on the Internet. I thought that not being in the hotel nearest to the convention center would be a drag, but it was fine. I think it got me out to see a bit more of the city than I would have otherwise.

Jaye A. H. Lapachet, Librarian  
Avery & Associates, San Francisco, CA

What a nice idea! Here are a couple of sentences from my experiences in Seattle. The "Environmental Law in the 1990's" Parts I and II were very interesting. I thought Andrew Kenefick and Iva Futrell's handouts were particularly useful. I liked the ALA Bookstore and I recommend the Boeing Factory Tour to future visitors in the Seattle area.

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**Rebecca Wendy Bass and The Future of LEXIS/NEXIS**

**By Marlene Harmon  
Boalt Hall Law Library**

Rebecca Wendy Bass was hired as Vice President and General Manager of Legal Information Services for Mead Data Central in November 1993. She was in Seattle in July to attend her first AALL Annual Meeting, and, not surprisingly, she spent a lot of it talking to law librarians about a subject of vital interest to many of us: the future of LEXIS/NEXIS now that Mead has put it up on the auction block.

Rebecca has a JD from Rutgers University Law School, she also attended Harvard Business School and has worked as an attorney and as a corporate executive.

In interviews conducted with chapter newsletter editors and at a LEXIS/NEXIS breakfast for academic law librarians she made it a point to reassure us that the commitment LEXIS/NEXIS has to law librarians is stronger than ever.

Rebecca described the divestiture of LEXIS/NEXIS by Mead is a "great decision", good for Mead and "excellent" for LEXIS/NEXIS and its customer base. Usually this type of sale takes 4 to 6 months. Though she gave us no hint as to who it might be, Rebecca was confident that LEXIS/NEXIS will have a significant, "more strategically focused parent" by the end of the year. Morale is high at LEXIS/NEXIS, employees are enthusiastic and positive about the future.

Rebecca was also confident that LEXIS and NEXIS will be purchased as a unit, NEXIS will not be sold separately.

She assured academic law librarians that though LEXIS/NEXIS may be re-evaluating how the money for the law school program is spent, no changes significantly limiting access and services are anticipated.

LEXIS/NEXIS is forming a new support group for law librarians, the "Information Professionals Support" (IPSG). This group is composed entirely of librarians who have MLS degrees, they will focus on the needs of law librarians. Among other things they will serve as specialized consultants for law librarians. They will not replace customer service representatives who will continue with the responsibilities they already have.

LEXIS/NEXIS is also funding a new AALL scholarship in the memory of John R. Johnson, long time law librarian at LEXIS/NEXIS.

Legal research and the practice of law are changing. Rebecca is confident that LEXIS/NEXIS will keep up with these changes by offering a "family of product services" which, in addition to its online services, includes *LEXIS Counsel Connect*, Legal Views software built on the Folio VIEWS technology and Michie CD Rom products. She did not feel that LEXIS, with its powerful search engine, would be threatened by the increasing availability of legal material on the internet.

Rebecca Wendy Bass presented us with a picture of a LEXIS/NEXIS service dedicated to "total customer satisfaction", committed to law librarians and unaffected by the impending divestiture from Mead.

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## MEMBERSHIP NEWS

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Lee Ryan, Chair, NOCALL Membership Committee  
University of San Francisco Law Library

### Last Issue of the NOCALL News?

If you haven't renewed your NOCALL membership for 1994-95, this will be your last issue of the *NOCALL News*. To avoid missing any issues, renew today. (Second renewal notices were mailed on August 8th. If you received a second notice, send your renewal form and dues to Lee Ryan as soon as possible.

### Mentor/Mentee Program Takes Off

Thanks to the energy and enthusiasm of new member Grace Mills of Boalt, NOCALL's mentorship program is being launched. For more information look for Grace's Mentor Form in this issue of the *NOCALL News*.

### Name Changes & Corrections

Robin Balaban of Cummins & White is now Robin Mayper  
Leslie Ann Forrester Sherren of Murphy Weir & Butler should appear in your directory as Leslie Anne Forrester.

### Members' Activities and Accomplishments

#### *Building Bridges to Affiliated Professions*

In the Summer 1994 issue of *Syllabus* (the newsletter of the ABA's Section of Legal Education and Admission to the Bar), **Margaret Durkin**, Head of Public Services at Davis has written a "Library Highlights" column on threats to the Federal Depository Program.

#### *NOCALL Member Elected County Supervisor*

Long time NOCALL associate member **Tom Stallard**, co-owner of Legislative Intent Service, was recently elected as a Yolo County Supervisor. Tom was formerly the lobbyist for all county law libraries and helped get the legislation through that raised fees about four years ago so these libraries could stay functional. Tom will begin his term on January 3, 1995. Congratulations Tom!

#### *NOCALL members: Wired, not Tired*

Crack the June 1994 issue of *Wired* magazine open to page 117, and you'll find the following, in a review by Eric Theise of *Secrets of the Super Searchers*, by Reva Basch (Wilton, Conn.: Eight Bit Books, 1993):

"There's one charming chapter with Lee Sapienza, a pioneer in getting high school students to shine using online search and collaboration tools, another on the trails blazed by **N. J. Thompson** during her intellectual property searches in trademark and common-law databases."

## New Members

Since the Last issue of the newsletter went to press, NOCALL has welcomed 18 new members. They are:

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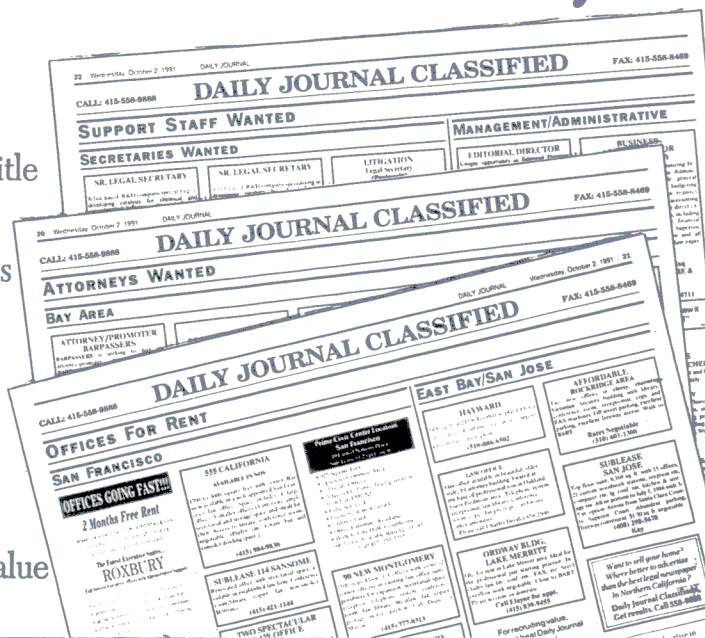
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## PLACEMENT COMMITTEE NEWS

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**Brent Bernau, Chair,  
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If you are recruiting for a position, please send a copy of the position description to the committee chair. A position announcement will be published in this newsletter, posted on nocall-list on the Internet, and passed on to individuals looking for a position.

If you are looking for a position, contact the committee chair. Your resume will be kept on file and sent to prospective employers as position announcements are received. Current position announcements will sent to you.

The contact for both groups is: Brent Bernau, Golden Gate University Law Library, 536 Mission Street, San Francisco, CA 94105-2921. Phone: 415/442-6685. FAX: 415/512-9395. E-mail: ggulaw@class.

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