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RAMBLINGS BY YOUR PRESIDENT

Richmond 2004: Virginia is for Law Librarians, was an unqualified success, with a great site, beautiful weather, insightful programs, and wonderful social events. Many thanks to Tim Coggins and Hazel Johnson, who headed a stellar Local Arrangements Committee. Efforts to give them a lifetime appointment were met with stiff resistance! I would also like to applaud the efforts of the Program Committee that put together a varied and informative group of programs. The Opening Reception, held on the top floor of the SunTrust Tower, afforded a panorama of Richmond and the surrounding area. The Friday Reception and Dinner was held at one of the nicest venues I have ever seen for such an event, the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts. The side trip to Jamestown was a great experience for those who participated.

We are beginning our first full year of publishing *The Southeastern Law Librarian* in electronic format, under the editorship of Steve Melamut. Please consider contributing to the newsletter. I know that Steve is always seeking contributions from the membership. I strongly urge everyone to join the SEAALL-L listserv, which will notify you when a new issue of the Newsletter is available. You can join the listserv by accessing the



SEAALL website at <http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/seaall/index2.html>.

As usual, there will be several chapter meetings at the AALL Annual Meeting in Boston. The Executive Board will meet from 4:15 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. on Sunday, July 11. The Business Meeting and Reception will be from 5:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. on Monday, July 12. Please check the final meeting program for locations.

This is my first column as president of SEAALL. I would just like to say that I am honored to be president of this great organization. Please feel free to send me any suggestions, questions, or other ideas about SEAALL. I am looking forward to a wonderful year for our chapter.

Mike Petit



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SEAALL BRIEFS

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Florida

Florida Coastal School of Law

Maryellen O'Brien joined the FCSL staff on February 2nd as a Reference Librarian. Maryellen comes to Florida from Houston, Texas, where she was Reference Librarian at Winstead Sechrest & Minick P.C., and the University of Houston O'Quinn Law Library. She received both her MLS and JD from the University at Buffalo.

Josepha ("Joey") Hernandez is the newest smiling face at our Reference Desk. Joey earned her J.D. and M.L.I.S. from the University of Iowa. She has a B.S. in Public Management from Austin Peay State University and an M.S. in Public Management from Cumberland University. Prior to studying for her J.D. and M.L.I.S., Joey was a police officer for the Nashville Metropolitan Police Department. Joey is also a Gulf War Veteran, with 27 successful Airborne jumps completed during her career as an Airborne Parachute Rigger.

Georgia

Georgia State University College of Law

Colleen Williams is Georgia State University College of Law's new Reference Librarian. Colleen recently received her Master of Library and Information Science from the University of Washington, Seattle and in May 2002 she received her J.D. from Washington University School of Law in St. Louis.

During college she majored in Journalism at Western Washington University.

John Marshall Law School

Mark Durbin wife's, Joan, had a little boy on December 5th of last year. His name is Samuel Joseph Durbin. He is our second. Our first, Zachary, turned 4 in January. Mark is Head Acquisitions and Serials Librarian.

Kentucky

Northern Kentucky University

Carol Bredemeyer has been elected Faculty Senate President at Northern Kentucky University for the 2004-2005 academic year.

North Carolina

Duke University

Frank Richardson joined the staff at Duke Law Library in mid-January as the Acquisitions and Serials Librarian. Frank comes directly from the Los Angeles County Law Library where he was the Acquisitions Librarian.

Karen Douglas joined the staff at Duke as Head of Technical Services on February 1st. Karen comes from Georgia State where she was head of Technical Services and is currently the Secretary of COSELL.

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Wake Forest University School of Law Professional Center Library

Masako Patrum co-authored an article with Robert H. Hu, Sharon Blackburn and Sharon K. Scott of Texas Tech Law Library on faculty status of nondirector law librarians. The article was published in Volume 96 issue #1 p. 127 (Winter 2004) of *Law Library Journal*. It is entitled "Status and Tenure for Academic Law Librarians: A Survey."

Virginia

University of Virginia Law Library

Alison White is the new archivist and special collections librarian for the Law Library. Alison received her MS in Information Science at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville and her B.A. in history from the University of Virginia and previously worked in Historical Collection at the University of Virginia's Claude Moore Health Science Library.

University of Richmond School of Law Library

Caroline Osborne joined the library staff in January as a Reference/Research Services Librarian. Caroline just received her MLS from UNC-Chapel Hill and received her law degree from UR. She practiced with Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft in Charlotte and New York before attending library school.

Washington, D.C.

Howard University

Karen Salaam joined Howard University's Law Library on February 9th as Reference and Government Documents Librarian. Most recently Karen worked as a Reference Librarian for Montgomery County Public Library in Rockville, MD, and as Technical Services Librarian for Shearman and Sterling in Washington, DC. She received her BA and her MLS from North Carolina Central University.

Thompson/West

Wendy R. Brown joined the Library Relations Team at Thompson/West in January. She manages West's Librarian Relations programs in the Southern Division acting as a key customer contact for law librarians. She can be reached at: (202) 842-7589 Fax: (202)842-7565

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FROM THE EDITOR

Please think about submitting articles and news to the newsletter. Share interesting projects and news from your library with the SEAALL membership. Make this your newsletter!!

We are trying new types of articles and content, so your feedback is important.

Send your submission or comments to melamut@email.unc.edu

THE BASICS OF NEGOTIATING

Contributed by Catherine Lemann

The 2004 SEAALL Institute was The Basics of Negotiating presented by University of Richmond School of Law Professor John G. Douglass. It was everything I look for in a presentation: educational, entertaining, and interactive.

Douglass started off with a brief introduction but moved quickly to the paperclip game. The object of the game was to get the most paperclips. It was a clear demonstration that doing the best for oneself may mean that others will also do well. There are short term and long term considerations when negotiating. Clearly, the short term objective is to get what you want now. We also need to consider how that objective may affect long term relationships and the cost of conflict created in negotiating.

Two participants helped Douglass work through the orange problem – one orange desired by two people. This is the situation where there is competition for fixed resources. Negotiating tactics used by the participants included persuasion, bidding, sharing or cooperating, and compromise.

Douglass suggested that one strategy for successful negotiating is to ask, "Why?" Why do you need the orange? How will you use it? That question helped resolve the conflict in this situation. Dispute resolution is a process. Steps in the process include identifying the interests that are at stake,

generating options, choosing a solution based on reason or objective criteria.

Information gathering is critical to successful negotiations. Be sure to do research ahead of a meeting. Listening is an important skill. Negotiators need bargaining power which will come in part from knowing the market. The exercise to illustrate this concept was negotiating the purchase/sale of a used car. All purchasers had the same information but there were two different scenarios for the seller. One scenario gave the seller important information that would suggest how much the buyer would pay. Should the seller let the purchaser know he has that information? Douglass suggested that in some cases that would help speed the negotiation.

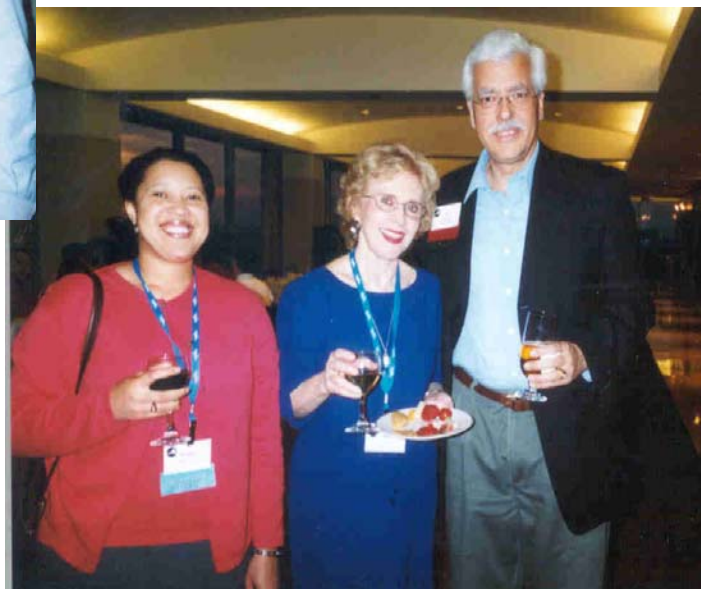
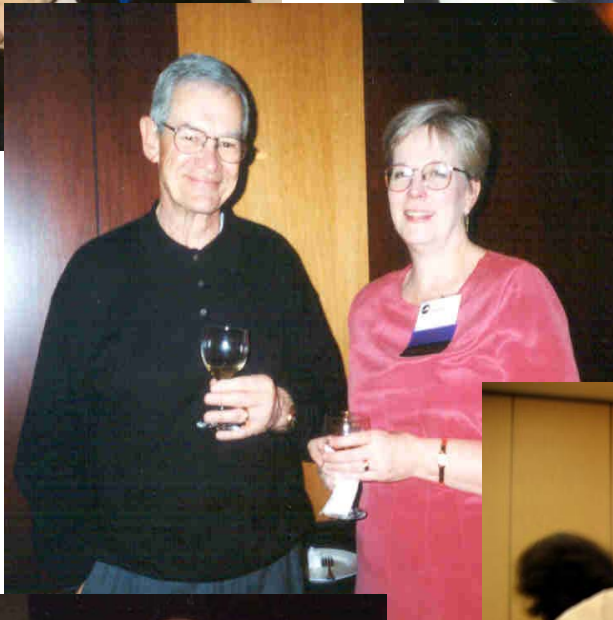
The final exercise was a diplomatic exercise that mirrored the Israel – Egypt conflict over the Sinai Peninsula. The group was divided into two groups with some shared facts and some group specific facts. It was interesting to see the dynamics among the group members and then the negotiating by the selected negotiators.

The Institute provided information that will help participants in their personal and professional lives. It was a terrific session.

PHOTOS FROM SEAALL VIRGINIA.

Can you identify all of these folks??
See more photos on the following pages.





SEAALL WILL BE HOLDING MEETINGS AT AALL

The following SEAALL meetings will take place at the AALL Annual Meeting in Boston. **They were not listed in the AALL Preliminary Program.**

The **SEAALL Executive Board** will meet on Sunday, July 11, from 4:15 pm to 5:15 pm.

The **Annual Business Meeting & Reception** will be on Monday, July 12, from 5:15 pm to 6:15 pm.

The locations for these meetings will be announced later.

CORRECTION REGARDING THE LUCILE ELLIOTT SCHOLARSHIP

There were six recipients of the award this year, which were given out after the newsletter deadline. The recipients names are **Miriam Childs, Masako Patrum, Julie Kimbrough, Eileen Santos, Maureen Cropper** and **Karen Hunter**.

MY LUCILE ELLIOTT SCHOLARSHIP

Contributed by Masako Patrum

I was one of lucky winners of 2004 Lucile Elliot Scholarship award which enabled me to attend the SEAALL meeting. Since I have been

away from SEAALL for a few years, it was wonderful to be able to attend the meeting. I truly enjoyed the programs, my wonderful former colleagues, mentors, and new colleagues and the city. I am grateful to the Scholarship Committee for giving me an opportunity to attend the Meeting.

Contributed by Miriam Childs

I used my Lucile Elliot Scholarship award to attend my first SEAALL Conference, which was held March 25-27, 2004 in Richmond, VA. Though a relatively short conference, SEAALL is packed with excellent programs and speakers. I found it easy to meet new colleagues at SEAALL, with the same kind of AALL camaraderie and plenty of time for conversation in between sessions.

The keynote speaker, Richmond attorney David Baugh, gave attendees a new enthusiasm about the United States Constitution, especially the First Amendment. I attended sessions about the PATRIOT Act, shifting a large library collection, researching federal legislative histories, digitization initiatives for historical government documents, and took back with me five dozen hot law library tips. All sessions I attended were extremely informative and focused.

Over a delicious dinner at the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, I had a chance to get to know the colleagues at my table. I enjoyed experiencing some of Richmond's culture while also learning more about law librarianship. [Continued on page 10](#)

Overall, the conference was very well organized, and I look forward to attending SEAALL in Montgomery next year.

Contributed by Maureen T. Cropper

In March 2004, I had the pleasure of attending the SEAALL annual meeting for the very first time. This year, it took place in the city of Richmond, Virginia. Never having been to Richmond before, I was impressed by the beauty of the city. The quiet dignity of the Virginia State Capitol Building that Thomas Jefferson designed was especially magnificent. I arrived on Wednesday, March 24, and since this was my first professional conference ever, I was excited and looking forward to the upcoming meetings and programs scheduled at the Omni Hotel.

The keynote speech at the conference was "Bushwhacking the First Amendment: Patriots, Police, and Patrick Henry." Attorney David Waugh delivered a stirring address to his audience, asking them to consider the importance of protecting the first amendment rights of all Americans. He also asked that we all think about our obligations as citizens to truly educate ourselves about different points of view in the world, rather than assuming we know all of the facts based on any preconceptions of nationality, ethnicity, culture, or religion we might have. He was an energetic and thought provoking speaker. It seemed highly appropriate to be reminded of just how precious

the U.S. Constitution is and how important it is for all Americans to protect it, especially now.

The other programs I attended at the SEAALL conference impressed me also. For instance, I really enjoyed Rebecca Trammel's "60 Hot Tips for Law Librarians." She covered an amazing amount of ground in just one hour. Two of my favorite hot tips were "Create and celebrate milestones," as a marketing tool and "Cross-train" so that you have backup personnel when needed.

I also enjoyed the program by Karen Silber and David Feldman, on "Instructional Objectives: The Key to Successful Training." They had excellent suggestions for creating meaningful, measurable, and practical objectives when designing training sessions at law libraries.

In fact, these and the other programs I saw were all so good, that I wished I could have been in more than one of the three conference rooms at one time. I discovered that is one of the hardest things about attending a conference—having to choose from among the many offerings at one time!

The evenings at the SEAALL conference were eventful also. The opening reception at sunset on the 24th floor of the SunTrust Towers was wonderfully festive and I enjoyed meeting all of the SEAALL members who so kindly introduced themselves to me

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that evening. I also enjoyed the reception and dinner at the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts on Friday night. A beautiful setting, fine company, and delectable cuisine—the SEAALL local arrangements committee outdid themselves.

I really enjoyed my experience at the SEAALL conference this year. I would like to thank SEAALL for awarding me one of their travel grants, so that I could travel all of the way from Louisiana to be there. I am now almost finished with graduate school, but I will always remember my SEAALL conference experience as one of my fondest memories of being a library graduate student. Thank you to everyone who was so friendly and welcoming to me during the conference.



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SEAALL FINANCIAL STATEMENT

APRIL 2003- MARCH 2004

OPENING BALANCE **52,030.47**

RECEIPTS

2003 SEAALL Annual Meeting Registration	10,475.00
2003 SEAALL Annual Meeting Sponsorships	7,515.00
Membership Fee (2003-04)	11,070.00
Refund	205.00
2004 SEAALL Annual Meeting Registration	25,185.00
2004 SEAALL Annual Meeting Sponsorships	17,100.00
Total Receipts	71,550.00

Working Balance **123,580.47**

EXPENSES

Programs	338.63
Speaker's Expenses	661.75
Sharpe Candies	401.75
CART Reporting Service	750.00
Hyatt Regency-Conference Hotel	18,319.00
Spindletop Hall (Dinner)	3,358.70
Grooves on the Move (D.J. Entertainment)	425.00
Exhibitor Gifts	141.37
Opening Reception (Lexington Children's Museum)	300.00
Plaque/Ribbons for badges	202.16
Postage (Renewals forms; registration packages)	892.36
Hands on Originado (Tee-shirts)	1,029.68
Friendly Feud	277.53
Decorations (Flowers, balloons, etc.)	297.31
Gift Basket	54.94
Reimbursement (note cards, gifts)	248.92
Licenses and permits	61.25
Tax preparation: Income tax	500.00
Federal Express (postage)	102.12
Bank Charges (Deposit Slips)	25.00
T & N (Newsletter)	650.00
George A. Strait Minority Scholarship	2,000.00
Liability Insurance	742.50
AALL 2003 Annual Meeting Reception	1,089.03
AALL 2003 Annual Meeting Exhibit Hall (Giveaways)	157.75
Assoc. Of Southeastern Research Libraries	250.00
Lucille Elliot Scholarships 2004	4,700.00
James River Bus Corp.	1,589.50

APVA Jamestown Rediscovery	216.00
Jefferson cups	3,282.00
Presentation folders; mailing envelopes	341.62
Reimbursement 2004 SEAALL registration	345.00
Name badge holders/inserts/ribbons	218.21
Printing (registration materials/final program)	1,277.20
Bags for Jefferson cups & beverage holders	81.60
Institute's Speaker	500.00
Local Arrangement Committee miscellaneous	103.73
<i>Getting Yes</i> for Institute participants	467.14
Giveaways papers/raffle box	44.73
Total Expenses	\$46,443.55

CLOSING BALANCE	\$77,136.92
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Bank of America CD	\$3,295.78
Fidelity Investment	\$5,391.80





MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE SCHOOL OF LAW NEARS BUILDING COMPLETION

Contributed by Karin Den Bleyker

April 30, 2004 — Mississippi College School of Law is taking on a whole new appearance. By late June the 18,000 square foot Classroom Addition will be built and ready for the summer session. Dean Jim Rosenblatt and the faculty of the Law School are excited about this first major improvement to the campus in its 29 year history.

The Classroom Addition will contain the large Lundy Moot Courtroom which will also accommodate up to 81 students for lectures and state-of-the art technology. Two 62 seat tiered classrooms, the spacious 85 seat Millette Master Teaching Center, Alumni Hall and numerous seating and study areas will complete the rest of the Addition.

The Law School is most fortunate to have the leadership of Hunter Lundy '80 who is chairing the \$6 million Building Campaign for this vital construction effort. To date the Campaign is on schedule and has raised \$2.72 million. For further information, please contact Thorne Butler in the Law School's Office of Advancement at 925-7173 or [Email: tbutler@mc.edu](mailto:tbutler@mc.edu)

SLA CONFERENCE IN NASHVILLE

The annual Special Libraries Association annual conference will be held in Nashville, TN from June 5 - 10, 2004. SEALL members Constance Ard of Greenebaum, Doll & McDonald in Louisville KY, Deidra Payne of LexisNexis and Charlene Cuniffe of Bass, Berry & Sims in Nashville will be participating in the SLA Legal Division programming to be presented there. Constance has created a program entitled Refresh, Renew, Remind: The Three R's of Legal Research. Speakers will be Deidra Payne of LexisNexis, Colleen Cable of Thomson West and Mary Lynn Wagner of Keating Muething & Klekamp in Cincinnati. Details on this program and all other Legal Division and SLA offerings are available on the website. If you go to the SLA Conference Website at <http://www.sla.org/nashville2004> and use the online personal planner, you can search activities by division. You must browse the site as a guest or register to use it the first time.

The Info-Expo will open on Sunday, June 5, and there will be a networking reception from 4-6 in the Exhibit Hall. Several hundred information vendors will be represented. The SLA Legal Division invites all SEALL members attending to visit their nightly Open House, courtesy of LexisNexis, at the Opryland Hotel. Most evenings, the suite will be available from 6-11, but a full schedule is available online.

FLORIDA A & M UNIVERSITY

COLLEGE OF LAW

Contributed by Linda Sobey

On December 21, 1949, a division of law was created at what was then called Florida A & M College and its first class was admitted in 1951. In 1966, the Florida Board of Control (later known as the Board of Regents) withdrew its permission for the institution to admit law students and two years later the law school graduated its last class and closed its doors for good. During 1957 – 1968, the law school had 157 graduates, both men and women, who went on to make significant contributions to the legal profession both within Florida and throughout the county. As part of the closing, all of the law library's materials were given to the FSU College of Law Library.

In 2000 the Florida A&M University, College of Law was reestablished by the Florida Legislature and signed into law on June 14, 2000 by Governor Jeb Bush. In the fall of 2002 the College of Law admitted its first class of 85 students and in fall 2003 admitted 113 new students. Its location, which is off site from the main FAMU campus in Tallahassee, makes it a great opportunity for students in the Central Florida area to attend a state funded law school.

Currently the law library, classrooms, and the administrative and faculty offices are all housed in a ten story building in downtown Orlando. Its location makes it easy for students to access the various courts, county library, and government buildings.

The library itself is housed within the Law School on the first, second, and tenth floors of the building. A permanent state of the art campus building is currently under construction and scheduled to open in the fall of 2005. Along with the law library, classrooms, and offices the building will include a moot court room, space for student organizations and space for students to participate in clinical programs.

The law library has over 282,000 volumes in its collection in a variety of formats as well as access to several online legal databases. It also houses a computer lab, study rooms and has 36 wireless laptops available for checkout by students and faculty.

Part of the law library's collection includes the existing law library collection at the Orlando Public Library, which was donated to the law school by the Orange County Bar Association. The library also provides faculty and students access to primary sources of American law, court reporters, federal statutes, state codes and statutes, periodicals, microforms, and online electronic databases. Examples of its holdings include U. S. Congressional Materials, American Civil Rights Materials, Collected Papers of Distinguished Legal Scholars, and all the state statutes including Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

The professional library staff includes:

Grace M. Mill, FAMU Law Library Director and Associate Professor of Law

Phebe Poydras, Assistant Law Librarian for Public Services

Barbara Ginzburg, Assistant Law Librarian for Technical Services

Linda Sobey, Cataloging Librarian.

Achara Stone, Circulation Librarian.

Gary Yessin, Reference Librarian.

STETSON UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW: TAMPA CAMPUS AND LAW LIBRARY

Contributed by Cathy Rentschler

On February 21, 2004, Stetson University College of Law dedicated its new Tampa Law Center and Campus. "This is a significant milestone in the history of our law school and the city of Tampa," said Dean Darby Dickerson. "The Tampa campus will create invaluable opportunities for our students and will be a great resource to the Tampa Bay legal community."

Located at 1700 N. Tampa St., just off Interstate 275, the Stetson Law Center and Campus is the first law school in Tampa. It will be a major hub for legal activity in downtown Tampa and will house evening law classes, the Tampa branch of the Florida Second District Court of Appeal, and continuing legal education programs. This unique combination makes the William Reece Smith Jr. Courtroom only the third location in the country, and the first in Florida, where a law school and sitting court will share space.

The three-story, 73,500 square-foot building reflects the same Spanish-Mediterranean architecture of Stetson's Gulfport campus, including a tower that overlooks downtown Tampa. The first and second floors house classrooms, the William Reece Smith Jr. Courtroom, a law library and other law school space. The third floor contains chambers and offices for the Florida Second District Court of Appeal. The general contractor is Angle & Schmid and the architectural firm is FleischmanGarcia.

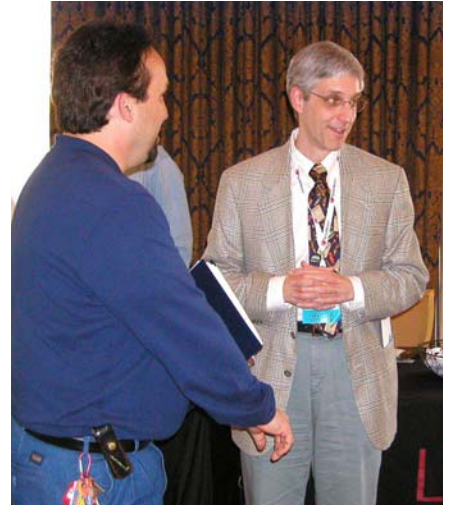
The Law Library The first floor law library contains 5,800 square feet of usable space. There are approximately 122 seats in various configurations: tables, study rooms, and lounge chairs with writing arms. The library is open 90 hours per week, on a schedule that best meets the needs of evening students (noon to midnight during the week and 9:00 a.m. to midnight on weekends).

The staff includes full-time librarian **Steven Cannata**, full-time library assistant **Avis Wilcox**, and two part-time library assistants. Cannata earned his J.D. at Florida State University and holds an M.A. from the School of Library and Information Science, University of South Florida. Formerly a librarian in the Business, Law and Government Section of Broward County Main Library, he was Assistant State Attorney, Hillsborough County State Attorney's Office, 1975-1997. Wilcox holds a BS in Library Science/Education from Mississippi State University, and was

most recently employed in the credit card industry.

The Tampa Campus library collection is designed to address the needs of students taking the first 18 hours of instruction, and the needs of the Second District Court of Appeal. Print titles include: United States Code Annotated, national reporter system (second series), legal encyclopedias, nutshells and hornbooks of the first year courses, Florida statutes (annotated and official), Florida digest, Florida Bar CLE/practice materials, Williston on contracts, and Couch on insurance. Electronic sources include HeinOnline, Matthew Bender treatises, LegalTrac, Lexis, Westlaw, FirstSearch, and the NetLibrary electronic book collection.





NEW DUAL DEGREE PROGRAMS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA

Contributed by Teresa Stanton

The [University of North Carolina's School of Law](#) and [School of Information and Library Science](#) (SILS) now offer two new dual degree programs. Beginning this Fall, students may enroll in classes leading to both a J.D. and a Master's degree in either library science or information science.

It used to take five years to earn a J.D. and a Master's. Now it is possible to earn both degrees in four years. Students continue to be admitted to each school independently and must meet all core requirements for each degree in order to graduate with dual degrees.

Many law schools participate in dual or joint degree programs but partnerships with schools of library or information science are in the minority. A number of UNC Law graduates have enrolled in the library school, including five this year alone. With the announcement of the new dual degree program, several SILS students have expressed an interest in a law degree. UNC's new programs offer students more choices and the opportunity to earn a J.D. from a top rated law school and a Master's from the nation's top ranked library school.

The Law Library and the School of Information and Library Science have had an informal partnership for quite some time. Lolly Gasaway, Professor

of Law and Director of the Law Library, teaches law courses and courses at the library school, including law librarianship. She is also serving as the dual degree programs' faculty advisor for Law. Anne Klinefelter, the Associate Director, and Scott Childs, Assistant Director for Research and User Services, also teach the law librarianship class.

Another link between the schools is the Law Library's graduate assistant position, filled by students with law degrees that are currently enrolled in the library school. The graduate assistant works on special projects and helps out in all of the library's departments. (This year's 2003-2004 graduate assistant, Julie Kimbrough, has accepted a position as a reference and government documents librarian with the Law Library of Congress. You go girl!)

Indications are good that the new dual degree programs will be well received. For more information, please contact Teresa Stanton, by email, tstanton@email.unc.edu, or by phone at 919-843-4959.



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