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## **Presidential Postings**



Amy B. Osborne, SEAALL President

During the past several months we have been inundated with news of the downward turn which the economy has taken. Personally many of us have seen the results of this economic downturn through friends and family who have been laid off from their jobs or through students who have recently graduated and are facing an ever tightening job market. No matter the type of law library in which you work, you have, I am sure, been asked to "tighten your belt" and to do more with less. Those of you who know me know that I tend to be an optimist. Professionally this is a trait I learned from my friend and mentor Sue Burch. No situation at the University of Kentucky Law Library would arise that Sue could not make positive. In times such as these, we can all learn a lesson from Sue and remain positive and upbeat when it would be easy to be otherwise.

In these lean times we are all looking for ways to stretch both our library and personal budgets. How do we provide resources and top notch service for our patrons when our budgets are shrinking? How do we remain connected to our professional friends and colleagues when travel money is dwindling? I would answer that SEAALL can do much to assist us in both of these endeavors.

I have found that my SEAALL colleagues have always been there to help me out in a pinch and I likewise have always tried to help them. With our shrinking library budgets many of us must turn to other libraries to obtain resources that our institutions do no own. On countless occasions when I have been pressed for time to provide information to a patron, whether it be a

journal article, a chapter from a looseleaf treatise or some other type of obscure resource, my SEAALL colleagues have been willing to help. And while interlibrary loan can be a librarian's best friend, often a document is needed quickly. Picking up the phone to talk with a colleague can solve the problem in a timely manner while at the same time forging a professional relationship. SEAALL is also an outstanding resource when attempting to solve a problem within your library whether it be a new policy in public services, trying to more efficiently process materials in technical services or dealing with a management issue. Discussing issues with SEAALL colleagues can provide new ideas for dealing with the variety of situations that arise in our libraries. SEAALL colleagues can be an excellent sounding board for problems that we might be facing in our respective institutions.

And while we are constantly dealing with our shrinking library budgets many of us are increasingly dealing with our own shrinking personal budgets. With our travel budgets getting smaller it is now more important than ever to take advantage of the grants and scholarships offered by SEAALL. To that end I would encourage each of you to be aware of the work done by Jason Sowards and members of the scholarship committee who are working diligently to promote the grants and scholarships offered by SEAALL. In addition to the educational scholarships offered by our chapter, SEAALL also generously funds grants that provide financial assistance for attendance at SEAALL and AALL Annual meetings. Taking advantage of these

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## And now, a word . . . or two

Hopefully, this newsletter will reach everyone already filled with the spirit of the holidays. But if not, I hope your spirits will soon rise to the occasion and that all have a wonderful, fun-filled time! Please note that the biographies and personal statements for SEAALL officer candidates are in this issue. Take time to review these and get to know something about those whose desire it is to lead our fantastic organization.

Wishing everyone the warmest of holiday memories..... Carolyn Santanella, editor

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grants can provide an opportunity to further one's professional knowledge and network with SEAALL colleagues.

By the time this column is published I am certain that things will have begun to look up - as I said at the beginning, I am an optimist. And although as I write this it is only November, I am looking forward to attending the Annual SEAALL meeting in Athens, Georgia. forward to the excellent programs which Maureen Eggert and her committee will provide and from which I know I will learn something new. I look forward to the social events which Ann Puckett and local arrangement have planned and at which I know I'll have a lovely time. And not least of all I look forward to catching up with my SEAALL colleagues. I plan to take full advantage of all of the opportunities that my SEAALL membership provides and hope you will too. Because during these lean economic times, I think professionally SEAALL is the best value around.

See you Athens!



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## **CONELL: 2008 AALL Annual Meeting**

Attending CONELL during the 101st AALL Annual Meeting and Conference in Portland, Oregon was a tremendous opportunity for me. As a graduate of the University of Oregon School of Law in nearby Eugene, I cannot think of a better place in which to participate in a program designed to introduce and orient me to the law librarian profession. Several years have passed since I was last in Oregon and it was good to be back in a state where the initiative and referendum system is in effect, sales tax does not exist, and station attendants pump the gas for you.

The best CONELL has to offer can be summed up in three words: people, presentation, and place. First is the opportunity to meet people - all sorts of people. From Academic to Firm, from Court to Special librarians, CONELL attracts them all. Even those in library school, applying to library school, and contemplating library school are in attendance. You never know who you might meet. Are those the editors of Spectrum and Law Library Journal over there in the Marketplace? Is that the president of AALL? And who is that sitting over there? Is it the fellow who got the position you applied for last year? Why yes, it is. Which brings me to a piece of advice imparted to me by an otherwise complete stranger at AALL in New Orleans who said, "remember, this [law librarian] profession is small. Very, very small." Indeed.

The presentations and activities part of CO-NELL is engaging. The first half of the day involves presentations and activities in various forms. The initial time is spent listening to messages from Michael Bushbaum, the AALL President, and AALL publications. Because I enjoy lists and points to remember, the message from Cornell H. Winston on "How to Conference" was particularly memorable. Conferencing recommendations include: meeting new people; strategic vendor engagement; free stuff; going beyond your special interest; and going beyond the conference. Going down the list, I followed all of the advice. The pre-CONELL dinner, CO-NELL activities, and excursion to the Columbia River Gorge were all great opportunities to meet new people and prepare me for the main AALL conference. Hitting the "four corners" of the vendor hall where major vendors usually locate helped make order out of confusion. As for free stuff, I now have plenty of pens for law students and patrons. Although I am not a solo librarian, I went to a program on running a law library by yourself. Finally, going outside the conference walls I discovered Stumptown Coffee and Powell's Books - two great pleasures in life.

The activities part of CONELL includes participation in speed networking and the Market-place. Speed networking consists of meeting several other CONELL attendees in a short period of time. With only a few minutes to introduce yourself to someone and learn something about them you have to be quick. I met about 15 people in approximately 30 minutes. Although I had never met any of the CONELL attendees before, the discovery of mutual acquaintances was common during the speed networking activity.

The Marketplace provides an opportunity to explore the wide variety of committees, special interest sections, chapters, and caucuses AALL has to offer. A personal highlight of the Marketplace was meeting and chatting with Mark Estes and Janet Snider, each of whom put out strong, interesting, and valuable publications serving our profession. This is another reason CONELL participation is so valuable. What other opportunity is there to meet so many people actively engaged in our profession, open to engaging with you, in one convenient place?

Although CONELL serves as an orientation to the law librarian profession, one of its most important functions is as a meeting place for similarly situated professionals. I met law librarians from all over the country who share my same interests, concerns, and aspirations – and all of this in the beautiful setting that is the Columbia River Gorge. I even met others who share my penchant for certain color combinations. Ultimately this is what CONELL is all about - a forum in which those relatively new to law librarianship can come together in one place to meet

and mingle under the general guidance of the venerable veterans of our chosen profession.

It is with sincere gratitude I thank SEAALL for providing me with a grant to attend CONELL this year in Portland, Oregon.



The author and Holly Gale in front of Oregon's number one public destination, Multnomah Falls

Ryan Valentin
Reference Librarian
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Library
University of Kentucky
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# Faculty Advising: A Great Way to Promote Law Librarianship

Morgan Stoddard UNC - Chapel Hill Law library Law librarians have long been promoting the profession by participating in panels on alternative legal careers, which are an excellent way to inform law students about the rewards of a career in law librarianship. Recognizing this, Margaret Hall, reference and student services librarian at the Kathrine R. Everett Law Library at the University of North Carolina School of Law, went a step further and became the faculty advisor to a new student organization that develops peer-to-peer mentor relationships for students interested in all types of legal careers, including non-traditional careers.

Margaret was approached last summer to be the faculty advisor to the Carolina Law Peer Partnership Organization due to her pursuit of a career in law librarianship and her strong relationships with law students, developed through her role as student services librarian. The position has thus far provided ample opportunity to increase awareness about the profession of law librarianship. Along with the student president, Margaret is organizing a panel to discuss, "Alternative Careers and Our Stories: Why I Didn't Work in a Law Firm." She will also serve as a panelist. Additionally, advising

the organization has enabled Margaret to reach a wider audience. "Coordinating the panel and other activities has allowed me to interact with students who I otherwise wouldn't have had the chance to meet and tell them more about what I do," said Hall.

Not only has advising the organization provided the opportunity to promote law librarianship to students, it also has proven to be an excellent way to become more involved in the law school community. "You are an important part of the organization as a faculty advisor because you sign on for several years, providing continuity to the group," Hall said. "I also interact a great deal with the law faculty because I liaise with faculty on behalf of Peer Partnership."

As evidenced by Margaret's experience, becoming a faculty adviser to a student organization that supports the pursuit of non-traditional legal careers is a wonderful opportunity to promote law librarianship. It increases visibility and awareness of the profession to a wider audience of law students—great students who may not have otherwise considered a career as a law librarian.

## SEAALL Library School Scholarship Recipients 2008/09

Below are the most recent recipients of the SEAALL Library School Scholarship awards. Please feel free to send each a note of congratulations and encouragement! Our thanks to Jason Sowards and his committee for their hard work in choosing this year's winners.

Brian Barnes – barneso1@mc.edu Angela Fisher Jaffee – ajaffee@bna.com Coleen Martinez-Skinner – cmartinez@fcsl.edu

Coleen's bio: Colleen received her B.A. in Criminology from Southern Oregon University. From there, she and her husband moved to Jacksonville, Florida where Colleen received her law degree from Florida Coastal School of Law in December 2007. While at Coastal, Colleen worked as a Westlaw Student Representative and as a Library Reference Desk Attendant. It was from these two jobs that she realized a traditional career practicing law would never be as satisfying as helping students with legal research!

Colleen started at Florida Coastal School of Law as a Reference Librarian in June 2008. In September, she started her Masters of Information Science at Florida State University. Colleen loves her job and her studies. She wonders why everyone doesn't choose a career in law librarianship. The only thing better? Being a librarian at Disney World!

## **SEAALL Candidate Profiles**

## Office: SEAALL Vice-President/President Elect Candidates: Karen Douglas, Lisa Smith-Butler

#### **Karen Douglas**

#### **Statement:**

I am honored to be a candidate for SEALL Vice-President/President - Elect. This is a time when great changes are on the horizon, not only from the White House, but also in the world of Law Librarianship. Because of technological advances, our jobs are changing more rapidly than we can react to the change. This is true especially among Technical Services librarians. Since so many things are changing, if elected, I would focus on bringing more professional development opportunities to our region. The institute and programs we have at the SEAALL Annual Meeting only scratch the surface. I often hear comments after programs where colleagues have said, "I wish we had more time to talk about that." The implementation of AALL Continuing Professional Education Grants has given us an opportunity to bring more continuing education programs to the SEAALL region. This is especially important because limited travel budgets often prevent our members from attending AALL conferences in distant cities. The Professional Education grants would allow us to present AALL programs locally or create our own programs based on the needs of the members. Technology will also allow us to present webinars and podcasts that members can attend without leaving their desks. It would be wonderful to have additional educational opportunities for our members much closer to home.

#### **Biographical Information:**

**Current Position:** Head of Technical Services, J. Michael Goodson Law Library, Duke University School of Law 2004-

#### **Previous Law Library Positions**

Head of Technical Services, Georgia State University Law Library 2001-2004 Acquisitions/Serials Librarian 1998-2001 Head of Acquisitions/Serials, Jacob Burns Law Library, The George Washington University, 1993-1998 Acquisitions Dept. Project Manager US Dept. of **Education:** MS in Library Service, Columbia University BA in History, Boston University

#### **Professional Organization Memberships**

Member of AALL 1993-

Member of LLSDC 1993-1998

Member of SEAALL 1998-

Member of ALLA 1998-2004

Member of NASIG 2005-

Member of ALA 1980-

Member of ALA Association of Library Collections and Technical Services (ALCTS) 1987-

Member of ALA Library Leadership & Management Association (LLAMA) 2007-

Member of Black Caucus of ALA (BCALA) 1980-

## **Selected Professional Association Activities**

Chair of American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) Black Caucus of Law Librarians 2008-2009

Member of AALL Membership Development Committee 2008-2010

Member of AALL Annual meeting Program Committee, 2007-2008

Served as Vice Chair/ Chair-Elect, then Chair of Technical Services Special Interest Section (TS-SIS) of American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) 2004-2006; Served on TS-SIS Executive Board 2006-2007

Served as chair of the TS-SIS Education Committee for 2006 and 2009 Annual Meeting Participated in AALL Education Summit, Sept.

2005 Member of Education Summit Implementation

Task Force 2005-2006

Participated in AALL Mentorship Project as a mentor 2005-2006

Member of AALL Committee on Relations With Information Vendors (CRIV) 2002-2004

Secretary –Consortium of Southeastern Law Libraries (COSELL) 2002-2004

Member of SEAALL Annual Meeting Program Committee 2002-2003

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Justice, 1992-1993

**Candidate Profiles - Karen Douglas** *continued from page 5* 

#### **Selected Presentations**

Co-coordinator and speaker for "Managing From the Middle: Techniques for Success in Technical Services", a full day workshop to be presented at the AALL Annual Meeting, Washington, DC July, 2009.

Co-Coordinator and Speaker for "Work Smarter, Not Harder: Delegate and Motivate for Success" at SEAALL Annual Meeting 2008

Coordinator and Moderator of TS-SIS Program: "21st Century Technical Services: Reorganizing For the Future" at AALL Annual Meeting 2006 Coordinator and Moderator of "Let's Make a Deal: Strategies to Avoid Paying List Price" presented at AALL Annual Meeting 2004

Speaker – "The Money-Go-Round: What to Do When Payments Go Astray" – AALL Annual Meeting- 2003

Speaker "10 Sure-Fire Tips for Acquisitions Librarians" SEAALL Annual Meeting 2003

Coordinator and Moderator- "You Can Judge a Book By Its Cover: Using Collection Assessment to Facilitate Collection Development" SEAALL Annual Meeting 2003

Last minute replacement speaker for "Student Workers: Love 'em, Hate 'em, Fix 'em" at SEAALL Annual Meeting, 2002

Speaker for "From Technical Services to Customer Services: Improving Your Workflow Without Reinventing the Wheel" SEAALL Annual Meeting, 2002

#### **Publications**

"Library Systems Migration: We're Live, Now What" 4 AALL Spectrum, (March, 2000) Chosen to be profiled in "Celebrating Diversity: A Legacy of Leadership in AALL", edited by Carol Nicholson, Ruth Hill and Vicente Garces, published Summer, 2006

Contributed a chapter to "A Day in the Life: Career Options in Library & Information Science," edited by Priscilla K. Shontz and Richard A. Murray, 2007. http://liscareer.com/dil\_contents.htm

#### **Awards**

Received AALL grant to attend AALL Professional Development Workshop "Managing Technical Services" at AALL Annual Meeting, 2001

#### Lisa Smith-Butler

#### Statement

I am often asked whether I think there is a future for law librarians and law libraries. After all, I am told, "everything is now online."

Many things are online which makes my job different. It often takes minutes now to accomplish what once took hours or even days. New technology has automated many library tasks, freeing me to pursue more service and people oriented activities. Because I am in the information business, my days are full as I help faculty, students, and staff navigate their way through the information thicket. An image below, pulled from Google, captures the 21st Century library patron's dilemma:



As a 21st Century information professional and librarian, I help acquire, process, and organize information resources in various formats. I then assist patrons with retrieving this information in a cost effective and efficient manner. To alert patrons about our law library, I market the services we provide. We provide many services to many different patrons. So I answer, "Yes. I think there is a future for law libraries" to the questioners and doubters. Given the information onslaught that we face daily, I think there is certainly a future for libraries, libraries, and information professionals. I enjoy sharing that vision with others and having a discussion about the future of our profession.

#### **Biographical Information:**

#### **Law Library Employment**

Assistant Dean & Director, Law Library & Technology Center & Associate Professor of Law

2004 - Present

Nova Southeastern University, Shepard Broad Law Center, Law Library & Technology Center, Ft. Lauderdale, FL

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Candidate Profiles -Lisa Smith-Butler continued from page 6

Associate Director, Law Library & Technology Center 1998-2003

Nova Southeastern University, Shepard Broad Law Center

Head of Public Services, Georgia State University 1995-1998 College of Law Library, Atlanta, GA

Reference/Operations Librarian, 1993-1998 Powell, Goldstein, Frazier & Murphy, Atlanta, GA

#### **Education**

B.A., English, Magna cum Laude, Hastings College, Hastings, NE 1982 J.D., Cum Laude, Creighton University School of Law, Omaha, NE 1984 M.L.S., Clark Atlanta University, Atlanta, GA 1993

#### **Selected Publications**

**Forthcoming** 

Workplace Privacy: We'll Be Watching You, Ohio N.U.L.Rev. (2008.)

#### **Books**

LAW LIBRARIANSHIP IN THE 21ST CENTU-RY (Scarecrow Press) (co-edited) (2007.)

#### Chapters in Books

Administration, in LAW LIBRARIANSHIP IN THE 21ST CENTURY (Scarecrow Press 2007.)

#### Articles

Cost Effective Legal Research Redux: How to Avoid Becoming the Accidental Tourist, Lost In Cyberspace, 6 Fla. Coastal L.Rev. 101 (2008.)

Practicing Law Librarianship: Podcasting, Vodcasting, and Law Libraries: How to Understand the Newest "IT" Technology and Use It In Your Library, AALL Spectrum, June 2006. (Co-authored.)

#### **Selected Presentations**

Marketing Your Library: Exploring New Technologies to Create Evolving Newsletters that Energize Your Patrons, AALL, Portland, OR, July 2008

Future of Academic Law Libraries, SEAALL/LLSDC, Alexandria, VA March 2008
Workplace Privacy: We'll Be Watching You, STETSON UNIVERSITY JUNIOR FACULTY FORUM, Gulfport, FL, November 2007
Blogs: Technology Ethics and Trends, AALL, St. Louis, MO, July 2006
Laptops in the Classroom, CALI, Fort Lauderdale, FL June 2006

#### **Professional Organizations**

American Association of Law Libraries, 1992 -

- Publications Committee 2001 2003
- Special Committee, Principles of Licensing Agreements 2002 - 2004
- CONE (Council of Newsletter Editors) Co-Chair, 2007-2008

Atlanta Association of Law Libraries, 1993 -1998

• Co-Chair of the Newsletter Committee, 1995 - 1997

South Florida Association of Law Libraries, 1998 -

- Newsletter Editor, 1999 -2001
- Vice President/President Elect 2001-2002
- President 2002-2003
- Past President 2003-2004
- Chair, Scholarship Committee, 2004 Present

Southeastern American Association of Law Libraries, 1995-

- Newsletter Committee, 1996 1997; 2000-2002; Editor 2006 - 2008
- Local Arrangements Committee, 2002
- Secretary, COSELL, 2004 2006

State Bar of Georgia, Admitted 1987 (Inactive) Nebraska State Bar Association, Admitted 1984 (Inactive)

### Office: SEAALL Treasurer Candidates: Edward T. Hart, Dee Wood

#### **Edward T. Hart**

#### **Statement:**

Building relations and networks across the Southeast is an important part of any law librarian's professional development who calls this corner of the country home. Often, the performance of our primary duties, service to our users and maintenance of our collections, is greatly aided by others within this regional network whether it is through direct assistance in answering a reference question or ideas shared at our annual meeting. Being a member of SEAALL is an optimum venue for such exchanges. To achieve such success, we need a successful chapter, and to be successful, volunteers must take up the duties needed to run the organization and support the development of its members.

I welcome the opportunity to serve SEAALL as Treasurer and to support the effective management of the chapter.

#### **Biographical Information:**

Edward currently serves as the Head of Technical Services for the Lawton Chiles Legal Information Center at the University of Florida. He carries out collection development while supervising the acquisitions, serials and cataloging. Starting last Spring, he became an adjunct professor of law teaching advanced legal research to second and third law students. Prior to taking this position in July 2005, he served for five years as the Acquisitions and Collection Management Librarian for the New England School of Law Library.

Edward earned his MSLIS from Simmons College, his JD from New England School of Law, and BA and MA in history from Valdosta State University.

He has been a member of AALL since 2000 and member of ALL, GD, and TS Special Interest Sections. Was an active member in LLNE from 2000-2005, serving as its Government Relations Chair, 2003-05. He has now enjoyed being a member of SEAALL for over three years and currently serving his second year as chair of the chapter's Membership Committee.

#### **Dee Wood**

#### **Statement:**

I welcome the opportunity to run for the office of SEAALL Treasurer. My experience as treasurer of various professional associations qualifies me to represent SEAALL effectively and with great enthusiasm. Presently, I am in my second year of service as Secretary/Treasurer of the AALL GD-SIS. Also, I have had the privilege of serving as the Kentucky Library Association Government Documents Secretary/ Treasurer and I recently ended a two-year term as Secretary/Treasurer of the Kentucky Virtual Library Users Group. My professional association engagement has given me the insight to fully recognize the need for a Treasurer who can provide a fully understandable accounting and reporting system to the membership. I am committed to meet the challenges and responsibility as the Treasurer of SEAALL and feel honored to be nominated for the office.

#### **Biographical Information:**

#### **CURRENT POSITION**

Government Documents and Cataloging Librarian

University of Kentucky College of Law Library, Lexington, KY

#### **EDUCATION**

M.S.L.S., University of Kentucky 1994 B.A., Texas A&I University, Kingsville, TX 1969

## PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION ACTIVITIES

American Association of Law Libraries 1995-

- Awards Committee 2007-2009
- Placement Committee 1997-1999; 2002-2004
- Grants Committee 1997-1999

Government Documents Special Interest Section 1997-

• Secretary/Treasurer 2007-2009

Academic Law Libraries Special Interest Section 1997-

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Technical Services Special Interest Section 2001-

- Cataloging and Classification Committee 2004-
- Preservation Committee 2004-
- Education Committee 2004

Southeastern Chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries 1995-

- Membership Committee 2007-2009
- Newsletter/Public Relations Committee 2004-2006
- Placement Committee 1996-2004; Chair 1997-1998

American Library Association 1999-Association for Library Collections & Technical Services 1999-

- Preservation and Reformatting Section 2007-(Books and Paper Committee 2007-2009)
- Cataloging and Classification Section 1999-
- Collection Management and Development Section 1999-

Library Administration and Management Association 1999-

• Public Relations Section 1999- (Executive Board Member at Large 2002-2004; Swap and Shop Committee 1999-2006; Chair Swap and Shop Competition ALA 2003; Publications Committee 2001-2003)

Government Documents Round Table 1999-

Southeastern Library Association 2003-• Chair Resolutions Committee 2005-2006

Kentucky Library Association 1993-

- Government Documents Roundtable 1995-(Chair 2005-2007; Secretary/Treasurer 1999-2000)
- Academic Library Section 1995- (Chair Awards Committee 2007)
- Special Library Section 1995- (Chair Awards Committee 2008)

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

Editor, INFOCUS, Newsletter of the Kentucky Library Association 2000-2003

"The Aviation Museum of Kentucky: Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow!" Kentucky Libraries, Vol. 63, No. 1, Winter 1999, pp. 4-6. Rev. 2003.

"Easy Ways to Market Government Documents." MLS: Marketing Library Services, Vol. 13, No. 4, June 1999, pp. 1-3.

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## **SEAALL Briefs**

Compiled by Karin Den Bleyker

#### **TENNESSEE**

#### **Supreme Court Libraries**

**Stephen Jackson**, Supreme Court Librarian sent the following: "After 70 years of service, we regret to announce that due to the ongoing state budgetary crisis, the Tennessee Supreme Court Libraries located in Jackson, Knoxville, and Nashville will cease all operations as of Dec. 31, 2008." This announcement was made public November 21.

#### **VIRGINIA**

#### **Appalachian School of Law**

Ethan Atwood has joined the Appalachian School of Law (Grundy, VA) as a Reference Librarian. Ethan is a recent graduate of the University of Oklahoma's School of Information Science, receiving an M.L.I.S. degree in May of 2008. In 2006, he received a J.D. from the University of Arkansas School of Law and in September of that year was admitted to practice before the Arkansas Bar. Ethan also holds a B.A. in History from the Fulbright College at the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville.

#### **University of Richmond**

Suzanne B. Corriell was recently promoted to Head of Reference and Research Services. Prior to her promotion, Suzanne served as Reference and Research Services Librarian. Suzanne joined the Richmond Law Library in August 2007. Prior to her initial appointment at Richmond, she was the Circulation and Reference Librarian at the University of Iowa College of Law Library, where she received both her law and library degrees. She served as the Senior Managing Editor of the *Iowa Law Review* during her third year of law school.

**Timothy L. Coggins**, Associate Dean for Library and Information Services, and **Gail F. Zwirner**, Head of Access Services, are contributing authors to the 2008 edition of *A Guide to Legal Research in Virginia*, published by the Virginia CLE Foundation. Tim authored the chapter about "Legal Periodicals, Indexes, and Information Sources." In addition to authoring the chapter on "Fastcase" (an online legal research system that the Virginia State Bar provides to its members), Gail served as one of

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### Office: SEAALL Member-At-Large Candidates: Trina T. Holloway, Sarah Mauldin

#### Trina T. Holloway

#### **Statement:**

My interest in librarianship was sparked by my former supervisor who felt I would make a great librarian. As a result of much encouragement and mentoring, this past June I celebrated my fourth anniversary as a librarian. These four years have been rewarding in every way possible. I have grown in a network of librarians who all strive for excellence.

During this time I experienced the pleasure of serving the profession by being active in various organizations and committees. I served as the secretary of COSELL and I am currently a member of SEAALL's placement committee. I am especially thrilled about being a part of the 2009 Local Arrangements Committee. I believe this experience will give me a look behind the scenes of SEAALL.

I am excited about being nominated for the Member-at-Large position. It would be an honor to give back to SEAALL, an organization that is committed to the development of law librarians and the communities we serve.

#### **Biographical Information:**

#### **Current Position**

Acquisitions/Serials Librarian Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA 2004- Present

#### **Education**

MSLS, Clark Atlanta University, 2004 BBA, University of West Georgia, 1991

## **Membership & Committee Involvement** AALL

- Mentoring Committee, 2006-2008
- TS-SIS
- o Membership Committee, 2008-2009
- o Nominations Committee, 2006

Atlanta Law Libraries Association (ALLA)

• Placement Committee, 2005-2006

North American Serials Interest Group (NASIG)

- Awards and Recognition Committee, 2008-2010
- Program Planning Committee, 2006-2008

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## Sarah Mauldin

#### **Statement:**

I love being a law librarian and am proud to be a member of as vibrant a chapter as SEAALL. As a private law librarian I bring a different perspective to complement the law school and court librarians currently serving. It is, now more than ever, imperative that the value of law librarians and law libraries be made known to our users and decision makers. I hope to help SEAALL continue its excellent work in representing the interests of law librarians throughout the Southeast.

#### **Biographical Information:**

#### **Current Position:**

Law Librarian, Chamberlain, Hrdlicka, White, Williams & Martin, Atlanta, Georgia, 2006 – present

#### **Education:**

University of Texas at Austin, MLIS with Certificate in Law Librarianship, 2002 University of Oklahoma, BA in Letters, minor in MIS, summa cum laude, 1999

#### **Previous Positions:**

Director of Library Services, Lionel Sawyer & Collins, Las Vegas, Nevada, 2003 – 2006 Reference Librarian, Westbank Community Library, Austin, Texas, 2002 – 2003 Library Assistant, Munsch, Hardt, Kopf & Harr, Austin, Texas, 2002 – 2003

## **Professional Association Memberships** and Service:

American Association of Law Libraries, 2001 – present

- AALL Spectrum Membership News Editor,
   2003 present
- Recruitment to Law Librarianship Committee, 2007 – 2009
  - o Committee Chair, 2008-2009

Private Law Libraries Special Interest Section, 2003 – present

• PLL Perspectives Co-Editor, 2004 - present

#### SEAALL, 2006 - present

- Community Service Committee, 2008 2009
- Placement Committee, 2008 2009

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Atlanta Law Libraries Association, 2006 – present

- Vice-President/President, 2007 present
- Newsletter Committee, 2006 present

#### WestPac

- Nominations Committee, 2005 2006
- Membership News Editor, 2004 2006
- Local Arrangements Committee, 2005 2006

Special Libraries Association, 2001 – present

- Student Chapter Co-Director, 2001 2002
- Legal Division Nominations Committee, 2004 2006
  - o Committee Chair, 2005 2006

#### **Awards**

Leadership Fellow, AALL Leadership Academy, 2008

AALL Leadership and Management Institute, 2006

#### **Publications**

A History of the PLL-SIS, PLL Perspectives, Winter 2004, p. 12 Making Your Mark, PLL Perspectives, Spring 2008, p. 10

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#### **SEAALL**

- Local Arrangements Committee (Athens), 2008-2009
- Placement Committee, 2008-2010
- Secretary, COSELL, 2006-2008

#### Presentation

"From Paraprofessional to Professional." Georgia Library Association (GLA), 2008.

#### **Publication**

Chapter entitled "Spectrum Initiative: An Insider's View" in Unfinished Business: Race, Equity and Diversity in Library and Information Sciences Education, Scarecrow Press (2005).

#### Awards

- SEAALL Lucile Elliott Scholarship, 2008
- AALL Annual Meeting Grant, 2005

# Athens Is Getting Ready

Planning continues for your 2009 annual meeting. The local arrangements committee meets regularly and get more excited about seeing everyone in Athens.

We are particularly excited about the opening reception. We have booked the venue, The State Botanical Garden and we also have a caterer, Epting Events. There will be lots of vegetarian and vegan options, artisinal breads from a local bakery, organic produce, and, my personal favorite, a praline station. As I like to say, eat dessert first just in case.

We have booked the band, Curley Maple. They are a talented group of professional musicians and play a toe-tapping mix of folk and bluegrass.

We are also preparing our own maps of the downtown with our favorite eating, shopping, and entertainment locations.

The education committee has developed a great program. All the details will soon be posted on the meeting web site. A message will be sent to the SEAALL listserv when the program and registration details are posted. It's going to be a great meeting. See you in Athens.

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the two overall editors of the new edition. Tim recently published "Virginia Law: It's Online, But Should You use It?" in the June/July 2008 issue of the Virginia Lawyer, the official publication of the Virginia State Bar.

#### **GEORGIA**

In August, the Hugh F. MacMillan Law Library at Emory University officially welcomed aboard its new Assistant Professor of Law and Director of Library Services, Mark Engsberg. Mark spent the previous eight years at the Lillian Goldman Law Library at Yale Law School where he served most recently as Head of Reference. Mark is particularly active in professional organizations and since 2005, he has served as editor-in-chief of the International Journal of Legal Information, published by the International Association of Law Libraries. He received his Master of Science in Library and Information Science degree, as well as a master's degree and a doctorate in English literature from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He also holds a J.D. from Willamette University College of Law in Salem, Oregon and a bachelor's degree from Drury University in Springfield, Missouri.