



2015 – 2016 Annual Report

The 2015-2016 SCALL Executive Board consisted of Victoria Williamson, President; Stefanie Frame, Vice President; Joy Shoemaker, Treasurer; Amber Kennedy Madole, Secretary; Michelle Tolley and Christina Tsou, Board Members; and Paul Moorman, Past President.

The 44th Annual Institute “Upping Your Game: Growing Your Organization’s Information Advantage!” held on March 4-5, 2016 at the Temecula Creek Inn, Temecula, California had a total of 94 attendees that included 13 exhibitors and 11 sponsors. The program included among others, a keynote speech “Stepping Up to the Challenge” by Scott Bailey, Global Director of Research Services for Squire, Patton, Boggs; “Be Here Now: An Introduction to Mindfulness” by Judith Gordon, UCLA Lecturer in Law; and “Current Awareness: Delivering the Right Information, Using the Right Tool” by Charlie Frey, Library Director at Munger, Tolles and Olson. The VIP guests who attended the Institute were AALL Board Member Emily Florio and SANDALL President Michele Knapp.

The Programs Committee continued its excellent work of hosting member programs throughout the year including the Fall Meeting program on “Budgeting Basics with John DiGilio of Reed Smith, the December Holiday Party held at BS Taqueria in downtown Los Angeles, the Spring Meeting program on “Trends in Legal Research with Ravel Law Founder Daniel Lewis held at Southwestern Law School, and the Annual Business Meeting held in June at the Pasadena Courthouse.

The newly redesigned SCALL website went live on May 13. Thanks to the unrelenting energy of our IT Committee Chair Suzie Shatarevyan who worked with the website design consulting firm Law Leaders Lab and made sure this project produces a website that the membership can be proud of. The new website included a logo refresh, an online new member registration and member renewal option, and a permanent archive of the old website content on the Internet Archive (Archive-IT).

The Membership Committee reported a 12% increase in membership this year. This increase is due in part in providing new and current members with the option to sign up or renew their membership online and a more accessible PayPal and credit card features on the new SCALL website.

The Bylaws Committee drafted proposed amendments to the bylaws addressing the issue of succession brought about by a President’s resignation at mid-term leaving the incumbent Vice President with a dual-responsibility of serving as Institute Chair and as President. The proposed amendments were approved by the AALL Bylaws & Resolutions Committee and approved by the membership at the Annual Business



Meeting held on June 21 at the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in Pasadena, California.

Also, during the Annual Business Meeting, the Awards Committee presented the Rohan Chapter Service Award to Suzie Shatarevyan of Loyola Law School and the Vendor Service Award to Sarah Joshi of Continuing Education of the Bar.

The Nominations Committee's diligent work secured an outstanding slate of candidates for the 2016 Executive Board election: Ramon Barajas of Alston & Baird for Vice President/President-Elect, Amber Kennedy Madole of Loyola Law School for Secretary, and Erik Adams of Sheppard Mullin for Board Member. They were elected into office in June and will join President Stefanie Frame, Joy Shoemaker, Christina Tsou, and me on the 2016-2017 SCALL Executive Board. Special thanks to Caitlin Hunter who assumed the role of managing the election this year because the current secretary was also a candidate for office. I wish to extend my heartfelt gratitude and sincere appreciation for the all the hard work, continued service and dedication of all our committees chairs, volunteers and outgoing Board officers: Paul Moorman and Michelle Tolley. Thank you all so much. It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as President of SCALL.

Respectfully submitted,

Victoria Williamson
SCALL President, 2015-2016
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