

From the President ... Brian Raphael

As my year as SCALL president comes to a close, I want to first express how fulfilling it has been to lead our association and work closely with so many committed and enthusiastic SCALL members. I also wish to express my appreciation for the support I received from my fellow members of the Executive Board. Three of our board members, **Jessica Wimer**, **Robert Wright**, and **Margot McLaren**, are completing their terms, and I want to give special thanks to them for all of their hard work and dedication while serving on the board.

While the year is winding down, there is still time to sign up for one or both of our two June programs. The **brown bag lunch** on **June 9** will provide a forum for members to share ideas and perspectives regarding downsizing and other cost-cutting measures in libraries and how we can best adapt to the new economic

realities we are all dealing with. Remember that this session is free and designed to be relevant to librarians from all types of law libraries.

Our last event of the year will be our **annual business meeting on June 29** at the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals Courthouse in Pasadena. I would like to thank **Kathy Way** for once again making it possible for us to have our meeting at this historic and beautiful location. I hope many of you will be able to attend the meeting and see this year's SCALL award recipients honored as well as our new SCALL Executive Board members installed. Congratulations to **Mark Gediman**, **Galeen Roe**, and **Kelsey Chrisley**, who were nominated for the 2010-11 Executive Board positions of Vice President/President-Elect, Secretary, and Board Member respectively.



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If you plan on attending the **AALL Annual Meeting** in Denver in July, I hope you will be able to stop by the **Pacific Chapters Joint Reception** on Saturday, July 10. It is SCALL's turn to organize the reception this year, and past presidents **Jennifer Berman** and **Diana Jaque** have been working hard in planning this event, which is being sponsored jointly by William S. Hein & Co., Inc. and the five Pacific chapters (LLOPS, NOCALL, SANDALL, SCALL, and WestPac). Also at the Annual Meeting, we will have our **SCALL table** set up in the Exhibit Hall, thanks to the efforts of our public relations chair, **Wendy Nobunaga**. Wendy will need SCALL members to help staff the table during the Exhibit Hall hours and will send out a request for volunteers via the SCALL listserv in the coming weeks. I hope that many of you will be able to visit the SCALL table as well as help

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Submission Deadlines

We welcome the submission of any articles of interest to the law library community. Contact Patricia Pelz Hart, **SCALL Newsletter Editor**: hart@chapman.edu

All submissions should be received by the following dates:

September 13, 2010	Sept. / Oct. 2010 issue
November 8, 2010	Nov. / Dec. 2010 issue
January 10, 2011	Jan. / Feb. 2011 issue
March 14, 2011	Mar. / Apr. 2011 issue
May 9, 2011	May / June 2011 issue

Editor's Notes... by Patricia Pelz Hart



The May / June 2010 SCALL Newsletter finishes out volume 37 as it illustrates several facets of SCALL and its members. Those interested in reference, technical services, or library administration will find one or more items of interest in the issue. The Executive Board minutes, SCALL's statement of accounts, and membership news document the strength of the chapter. Also, the profession welcomes the news that a library school option for Southern Californians is now available from the University of North Texas.

It is hard to believe a year has gone by since I was asked to take over as editor of the SCALL Newsletter. Serving as editor has been interesting, rewarding, enjoyable, informative, at times stressful, and always very fulfilling.

I would like to thank Debbie Lipton for her top-notch job as compiler. She works by the highest standards and constantly excels. I would also like to thank Sheryl Kramer, recently retired Director, and Isa Lang, Interim Director, of Chapman Law School's Rinker Law Library for their support and encouragement.

During the past year, the SCALL Newsletter staff, SCALL authors, librarians from other chapters, and library school students all stepped up to the plate. Thanks to all.

Debbie and I look forward to continuing as compiler and editor of the SCALL Newsletter.

Save the Dates

Brown Bag Lunch -- June 9

Join us for the first session in our new SCALL Brown Bag program!

Date: Wednesday, June 9, 2010
 Place: Winston & Strawn LLP, Los Angeles (downtown)
 Time: 12 pm to 1:15 pm
 Topic: Cost-cutting Collection Development Measures

To register, please R.S.V.P. to Galeen Roe by email to groe@winston.com with your full name and contact information.

Annual Business Meeting -- June 29

SCALL will be holding its Annual Business Meeting the evening of Tuesday, **June 29, 2010** at the Richard H. Chambers U.S. Court of Appeals Building in Pasadena. Please save the dates and mark your calendars. Further details and registration forms will be sent out shortly.

June

SCALL Brown Bag Lunch -- June 9 *(see above)*

AALL Technical Services Law Librarianship Grants— due June 15 *(more on page 8)*

SCALL Election 2010-2011 Ballots—due June 21 *(more on page 5)*

LegalTech — June 23, 24, 2010 *(more on page 10)*

SCALL Annual Business Meeting — June 29 *(see above)*

AALL Distinguished Lectureship Award — due June 30 *(more on page 8)*

July

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AALL Annual Meeting — July 10–13, 2010

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staff it so that we can increase the visibility of our chapter in our national organization.

You may have already received your **SCALL membership renewal** form and **committee volunteer** form in the mail. Please make sure you complete and send in the renewal form along with your dues to maintain your status as an active SCALL member. Also please submit the volunteer form, even if you wish to continue serving on the committee(s) you served on this past year. I encourage those of you who are not on a committee to volunteer this coming year. For those of you who have never served on a SCALL committee, I can attest to the fact that it is a rewarding endeavor that will help you build relationships with your colleagues and allow you to make meaningful contributions to your professional association. I truly thank each and every one of you who chaired and/or served on a committee this past year for all of your efforts on behalf of our association.

I look forward to continuing to work with the new Executive Board in the coming year as past president. 2010-11 should be an exciting year for our association, as we continue to explore

new types of educational programs for our members, automate and streamline some of our communications and other functions and processes through our new membership management database, and continue to work on a redesign of our SCALL webpage. I am confident that our new president, **Hugh Treacy**, will do an outstanding job of leading our association and working collaboratively with our other chapter leaders to enable us to continue to innovate and grow as a professional organization. Once again, I hope to see many of you at our remaining events this year, and I wish you all a very enjoyable and relaxing summer.

***Brian Raphael** is Assistant Director, Law Library, USC Gould School of Law.*

2010-2011 SCALL Candidate Statements

The ballots for the election of the 2010-11 SCALL officers have been sent out to all of the SCALL members. Ballots must be returned by **June 21** in order to be counted. Below are the statements submitted by the candidates who have been nominated this year.

2010-2011 SCALL Candidate Statements

Vice President/President-Elect

MARK GEDIMAN, *Director of Information Services, Best Best & Krieger, LLP*

I am honored to be nominated for the position of SCALL Vice-President/President-Elect. I appreciate the opportunity to continue to serve this wonderful organization where, regardless of where we work, we come together as Law Librarians for the good of our profession. My involvement with SCALL has shown me that together we can accomplish a great deal. My goals as Vice-President/President-Elect are to expand the Professional Development opportunities for our members and demonstrate our value to decision makers.

Secretary

GALEEN ROE, *Assistant Librarian, Winston & Strawn*

I would like to be elected as the Secretary of SCALL to learn more about the structure of our local association and the national organization to which we belong. Further, I would like to serve the membership and the profession. Understanding the workings of SCALL and serving our members would help me understand the context of our organization within the law library community. I would also like to help future SCALL members learn about the history of our Board and the expertise of the many professionals who have contributed to our field.

Board Member

KELSEY CHRISLEY, *Administrative Assistant, Orange County Public Law Library*

I would be very honored to serve the SCALL membership as a SCALL board member. Through SCALL, I have enjoyed working on projects with other members, assisting in setting up meetings, networking, and learning from other law librarians. Serving as a board member will allow me to assist in providing avenues for others to be involved as well as continue my own involvement.

Membership News ... by Pauline Aranas

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Any corrections, changes, or additions to your membership information should be sent to:

Pauline M. Aranas

Chair, SCALL Membership Committee

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Membership renewal letters will be distributed in late May. Renewal forms must be received by **August 6, 2010** to be included in the 2010-2011 *SCALL Membership Directory*. As a reminder, last year the Board approved a two-year phased dues increase. This year, dues are \$30.00; in 2011-2012, dues will be \$40.00.

MEMBERSHIP DATABASE

The Board approved a subscription to Memberclicks, a membership database management system. This summer the Membership Committee will be working with the provider to implement this new system. This new system will improve our membership database maintenance and integrate email broadcasts, online directory, event registration management annual dues invoicing, electronic balloting, forms and survey features.

SCALL 2009-2010 MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

The 2009-2010 SCALL Membership Directory preparation is underway.

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UNT and CSUN Partner in New MLIS Program ... by Grace Rosales and Carol Siu

The **University of North Texas Department of Library and Information Sciences** and **California State University, Northridge** have established a cohort program in the **Greater Los Angeles** area. The initial class began in Fall 2009. Combining the experience in offering the MLIS of UNT with the excellent facilities at CSUN's Oviatt Library, this program provides an opportunity for a cohort of students to begin their library science studies.

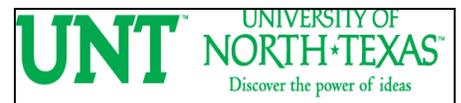
Students attend an intensive four-day Institute during each of the first two semesters, which are held at the Oviatt Library. University of North Texas faculty members teach the classes at both Fall and Spring Institutes. A panel of distinguished, regional library leaders is also invited to speak to the cohort.

After the four-day Institutes, the rest of the classes are conducted online via Blackboard. Students have access to the combined print and electronic resources at the Oviatt Library and the University of North Texas. Additional synchronous communications allow guest lecturers to communicate to the students through Wimba, a collaborative learning software application; students can communicate directly with the lecturer in real time.

The 50 students in the cohort took two classes during the first Fall semester: Introduction to Information Professions and Introduction to Information Access and Retrieval. In the Spring, they tackled two other challenging classes: Introduction to Information Organization and Management of Information Agencies. After these four classes, the students could choose to continue with the General Studies program or focus on a specialty such as Health Informatics, Information Organization, Information Systems, Law & Legal Informatics, School Librarianship and Youth Librarianship. The entire program takes two years of study, is ALA accredited, and leads to a Master of Science degree, with majors in library science and information science.

As opportunities present themselves, students want to contribute and play an active role in the library community. Students in the Greater Los Angeles cohort have participated in various library-related events and have become active members of several professional organizations: American Library Association, California Library Association, American Association of Law Libraries, Southern California Association of Law Libraries, Special Library Association and Reforma. They have also established two student organizations: UNT/CSUN SLA Student Chapter and Library and Information Sciences Student Association. Students have also volunteered at several events such as the LA as Subject; the 4th Annual Los Angeles Archives Bazaar at USC; 2009 Annual CLA conference in Pasadena; and the **SCALL Institute 2010**.

A second cohort is planned for Fall 2011. For more information about the program contact Dr. Phil Turner at phil.turner@unt.edu or visit www.lis.unt.edu and click Distance Locations/Greater Los Angeles Cohort.



Grace Rosales and Carol Siu are members of the UNT/CSUN class of 2011

AALL Technical Services Law Librarianship Grants

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The **AALL OBS-SIS and TS-SIS Joint Research Grant Committee** is now accepting applications for the **2010 Joint Research Grant**.

The purpose of the Online Bibliographic Services and Technical Services Special Interest Sections' Joint Research Grant is to provide support to American Association of Law Libraries members conducting **research specific to technical services law librarianship** that will enhance law librarianship service to our clients.

Qualifications: AALL membership is required. Preference will be given to applicants who are members of the OBS and/or TS SISs at the time of application. Evidence that the research and publication will directly or indirectly benefit technical services law librarianship must be shown.

Grant Awards: JRGC awards grants in a single year ranging in amount of no more than \$1,000 at the discretion of JRGC, --and-- pending approval of each grant amount each year as authorized by OBS and TS Executive Boards.

Application Process: To apply for the award, applicants should submit a narrative including detailed budget requirements, two letters of reference, and a signed copy of the Joint Research Grant Agreement form via email or regular mail to the JRGC Chair.

Deadlines: Complete applications are due to the JRGC Chair no later than **June 15, 2010**. Grant recipients will be announced at the annual AALL meeting. Award amounts will be mailed to successful grant recipients as soon as final approval is received by the JRGC Chair.

For more information on the grant and the application process, please visit: <http://www.aallnet.org/sis/obssis/research/researchinfo.htm>

AALL Distinguished Lectureship Award

Distinguished Lectureship Award is New at AALL

For the first time, AALL will recognize one of our members with a new award that will recognize **expertise and unique perspectives on the history, practice, or philosophy of law librarianship**. The first person chosen for this award will give a lecture at the 2011 Annual Meeting on a topic of his or her choice and will receive a \$500 honorarium.

Criteria for selection are:

- The nominee must be a member in good standing of the Association who has made a substantial contribution to its work.
- The nominee must have been active for a sufficient number of years to have acquired a broad perspective on law librarianship and must possess the qualities required to articulate his or her experiences and ideas.

The nominee will be selected for speaking style, preeminence in the subject area, and willingness to commit significant time and energy to prepare for the lecture.

The full description of the award and the nomination form are posted at http://www.aallnet.org/about/award_distinguished.asp. The deadline for nominations is **June 30, 2010**.

WestPac Annual Conference

WestPac Annual Conference -- San Francisco in October

Mark your calendars for **October 14-16, 2010** at the [Hotel Nikko](#) in San Francisco for the [WestPac](#) Annual Conference, featuring exciting speakers, including Alaska Supreme Court Justice Morgan Christen. Please make plans to join your fellow law librarians from throughout the western and Pacific regions for a great conference.

NOCALL, SCALL, SANDALL and CCCLL members are all invited to attend at the WestPac member rate! Rates at Hotel Nikko start at an incredibly discounted \$149 per night. Registration rates will be set later this year.

Additional program proposals are welcome. If you would like to be a presenter or organize a session please submit your proposal to Rob Truman, rtruman@lclark.edu.

You can book your room at the Hotel Nikko now! You may make your room reservation either on their web site: <http://www.hotelnikkosf.com/> or by calling Hotel Nikko at 415-394-1111. Be sure to use the group code **SWESTP** and **book your room by September 16, 2010**, to get the WestPac room rate.

Questions? Contact:
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Heard Around Town ... by Larry Meyer



It is spring and we are rapidly nearing the end of another exciting and busy year for SCALL and its membership. As the year comes to a conclusion, congratulations go out to **Brian Raphael** on his outstanding leadership this year, balancing his job duties with piloting our organization. Congratulations to Vice President **Hugh Treacy** for an exceptional job in providing, under his direction, another sterling Institute. It was great during the Institute to see so many familiar faces and be introduced to many new members and attendees. We look forward to the upcoming year with Hugh as President.

Speaking of the upcoming year, congratulations and best wishes are in order for some of our members as they seek positions within AALL. First up, former SCALL President **Jennifer Berman** is seeking office as a member of the PLL-SIS Board. Another Past President with his hat in the ring is **Cornell Winston**, who is running for the position of Vice President/President-Elect of AALL. While at the AALL annual meeting in Denver, I am sure Cornell will appreciate SCALL members stopping by and greeting him during the candidate meet and greet in the Exhibit Hall. We wish both Cornell and Jennifer well and know that they will do an excellent job should they be elected.

During National Library Week, the **San Diego County Public Law Library (SDCPLL)** proved to be quite active. Throughout the county, SDCPLL held “Discover Your Law Library” events to introduce the community to SDCPLL and its four locations. Information tables were set up and staffed by SDCPLL personnel who informed public librarians and the community at large of the resources available at SDCPLL. It should also be noted that SDCPLL recently welcomed a new Director. We would like to join with SDCPLL and extend our congratulations and best wishes to **John Adkins**, formerly at the University of San Diego Law Library, as he transitions into his new position. Best wishes, too, to long time SCALL member **Joan Allen-Hart**, who served as Interim Director the past few months.



Sheryl Kramer will be retiring from her position as Director of the Law Library at Chapman Law School this spring. As many of you know, Sheryl moved here from Michigan to create and build the Chapman Law Library. While building the Law Library into the institution it is today, she has found time to devote to SCALL. From her attendance at her first SCALL Institute in Palm Springs, under the leadership of **David McFadden**, as both a new member and new mother, she has contributed to our organization by attending events and as a committee chair and candidate for the Board. She has also encouraged her staff, including current newsletter editor **Patricia Pelz Hart**, to devote their time and efforts to SCALL. We wish her well and congratulate her on a job well done as she enters the next phase of her life!

Congratulations to **Ramon Barajas**, our SCALL webmaster, who recently co-presented with **Judge Carl West** a breakfast program entitled “New Hot Websites and Cell Phone Apps that Judges Love and Hot Tips for E-Service” for the Los Angeles County Bar Association. During his presentation, Ramon talked about social media as a research tool and was able to highlight some cool iPhone apps.

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Are you looking forward to attending AALL? There are many fine programs scheduled. SCALL members are planning and/or speaking at many of the programs. Rather than run the risk of not mentioning someone, I would encourage you to look at the schedule and if you see a familiar name, attend the presentation. Feel free to drop me a line after AALL about the program or any other items of interest from the conference. I would love to give kudos and mention in a future column regarding the programs.

This issue's (two-part) question: One of the speakers at the SCALL Institute spent part of his growing up years in Mitchell, South Dakota. Who was the individual and for what building is Mitchell most famous?

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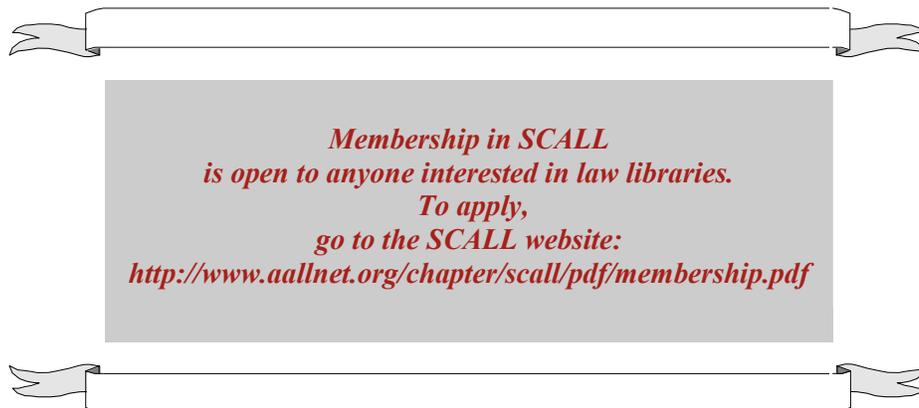
Elena Kagan Informational Web Page

Elena Kagan Informational Web Page Created by Law Librarian

The University of Michigan Law Library's informational web page for the latest nominee to the U.S. Supreme Court, Solicitor General **Elena Kagan**, was created on May 10 by reference librarian Kincaid Brown within hours of the announcement.

It is available at <http://www.law.umich.edu/library/info/kagan/Pages/default.aspx>

The web page includes biographical information about Elena Kagan, links to her authored works, transcripts of speeches and links to confirmation hearings for Ms. Kagan's nomination as Solicitor General. The site will be updated as material is compiled and as new information becomes available. When the confirmation hearings begin, the site will also include links to the hearing transcripts.



Copyright Workshop: Relevant Fair Use Issues for Law Firm Librarians ... by Isa Lang

On March 10, the lawyer-librarians at Chapman Law School's Rinker Law Library attended an informative, university-sponsored workshop on using copyrighted materials in the classroom and elsewhere in the university. The workshop raised our awareness of copyright issues and offered us practical suggestions for coping with them. A significant copyright doctrine discussed in the workshop, the fair use exception to copyright, is relevant to law firm librarians as well.

Violating copyright by duplicating and disseminating materials in a law firm may be equally as important as in an educational setting. For example, suppose that a lawyer in the firm is speaking to a group of senior citizens at his church and asks the library to copy a chapter in a firm-owned book on pension planning to distribute to them. Does the firm librarian need to warn the lawyer about a possible copyright violation? Should the librarian advise the lawyer to ask the copyright holder for permission to copy the chapter?

Copyright law protects the expression of an idea, as opposed to the idea itself, in any form of tangible media. The copyright holder is protected even though he does not register the copyright. (Registration enables him to sue if the copyright is violated.) He has the *exclusive* right to reproduce his work; to prepare derivative works, such as a screenplay adaptation; to make a "first sale" of the work to the public; or to perform or display the work in public. In the above example, it might be wise for the lawyer to obtain permission from the copyright holder. The major law book publishers have information about obtaining copyright permission on their websites (for example, you can e-mail West for permission to reprint at copyright.west@thomson.com).

However, the "fair use doctrine" may permit copying and distributing the chapter to the senior citizens without permission if the seminar is free and in a non-profit setting such as a church. This doctrine looks to the purpose and character of the use, the amount of material distributed, and the *effect of the use upon the potential market for purchasing the material*. The last factor is a consideration any time copyrighted material is distributed for free.

Use of copyrighted material at a free seminar in a non-profit setting is "more likely" to be considered fair use than in a performance in any setting that charges admission. However, even if the seminar is offered for free, if our lawyer is using it to obtain more clients for his elder law practice, is the seminar really not-for-profit? To answer this question and others relating to fair use, the librarian should check the informative U.S. Copyright Office circular *Reproduction of Copyrighted Works by Educators and Librarians* at www.copyright.gov/circs/circ21.pdf.

The lawyer-librarians at Chapman University are fortunate to have an Office of Legal Affairs to proffer legal advice if we have a copyright question on "fair use." Since there may be no place to turn for assistance in a law firm, librarians should be conscious of copyright law ramifications and should refer any attorney with a dubious copying request to the Copyright Office guidelines. For librarians with a general interest in copyright, I recommend an excellent online class taught by Lesley Ellen Harris, a copyright expert whose website is at <http://copyrightlaws.com>.

Isa Lang is Interim Director at Chapman University School of Law in Orange

Immigration Judges and Other Scholars at the *En/Countering Stereotypes* Symposium ... by Bill Ketchum

The University of La Verne College of Law presented a symposium on immigration law entitled *En/Countering Stereotypes* at its Ontario, California campus February 19-20, 2010. The University of La Verne Law Review will shortly publish a symposium issue. It helped to sponsor the program, and many of its members attended and assisted. MCLE credit was available for attorneys. I attended because I am interested in immigration law. Also, I wanted to become more involved in the life of the institution that employs me. I was well rewarded.

The symposium dealt not only with immigration law and practice but also with the philosophical basis for the laws—what the law should be and why -- and with the perceptions much of the larger community has of immigrants. Presenters included current and retired immigration judges, practitioners, textbook authors, law professors, and philosophers.

Prof. Rubén Rumbaut of UC Irvine began the symposium by exploding persistent stereotypes. He cited studies showing that the perception that the foreign-born are responsible for much of the crime in this country is wrong – rather, as immigration goes up, crime goes down. The more our society de-humanizes undocumented persons, he added, the easier we find it to deport them.

A panel of immigration judges discussed their own status. **Judge Bruce Einhorn**, retired from the **Immigration Court** in Los Angeles, now teaches at Pepperdine Law and directs the asylum clinic there. He gave his opinions much more freely than those still on the bench, who were less inclined to go beyond quoting laws and explaining procedures. Judge Einhorn strongly asserted that the Immigration Court should be accountable to Congress rather than to the Executive Branch, as it is now. Unlike other judges, who are part of an independent judiciary, the immigration judges are *subject to pressure from the Executive*, Judge Einhorn said. They are appointed by the Attorney General of the United States, explained **Judge Frank Travieso**, currently on the immigration bench in Los Angeles.

Judge Jack Staton, a former Foreign Service Officer now an immigration judge in El Ciento, California, countered that he sees immigration law and its administration as *instruments of foreign policy*, an area properly in the hands of the Executive. Judge Einhorn acknowledged that rationale but said the foreign policy could be embodied in regulations. An immigration judge should not have to worry about getting a phone call or a memo from Washington on how to decide cases, he added.

In other sessions, practitioners related their experiences handling asylum and domestic violence matters and discussed related provisions of the law. Recalling the assertion of Nuremberg war crimes defendants that they were “just following orders,” Judge Einhorn spoke of the complexity of asylum law and of Congress’s decision to leave out of the law a defense of duress for war criminals desiring asylum. Others spoke of practice under the 1994 Violence Against Women Act, “VAWA,” which enabled some people to “self-petition” rather than depend on a violent U.S. citizen spouse to sign immigration papers.

Keynote speaker **Prof. Hiroshi Motomura** of UCLA School of Law, addressed “comprehensive” immigration reform. He pointed out that immigration law is not just what is on the books but includes a whole

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set of practices. On proposals of a new “amnesty,” Prof. Motomura acknowledged that amnesty seems contrary to the rule of law, but he said that the U.S. has long had a “de facto policy of tolerance.” He thinks the United States should, from time to time, have a “legalization” of people within its borders.

As often happens when I attend professional conferences, I had to choose between break-out sessions that looked equally interesting. To hear judges and practitioners, I missed hearing law textbook editors and philosophers. I stayed for the entire symposium, Friday afternoon and all day Saturday, and as I said, I was well rewarded.

Bill Ketchum is Reference and Faculty Services Librarian at University of La Verne College of Law in Ontario

On October 4, 2010

***California Library Association is inviting every California library to join in
California Library Snapshot Day.***

CLA wants all libraries in California to capture usage data on ONE DAY and submit them. They will present your data to legislators and other stakeholders to use them in local and statewide advocacy efforts, to demonstrate the value and importance of California’s libraries and to raise increase awareness.

My Visit to the UCI Law School Library ... by Margot McClaren Photos of UCI courtesy of Tanya Cao



The Law Library at the University of California, Irvine Law School serves Orange County's newest law school. The first academic year began in the fall of 2009, with an initial entering class of 60 students. Central to the new law school was its new law library.

The law library and law school are housed in one wing of a two-wing building on the UCI campus. Covered walkways connect the wings on each floor. Although a new law school building may be constructed in the future, the law library's plans anticipate staying in the current building for up to 12 years.

The law school conducted a nationwide search for the founding director of the law library. **Beatrice Tice** was selected. She and her team have been busy and productive.



Dean Beatrice Tice

Beatrice Tice, a native of Newport Beach, received her J.D. from Stanford University School of Law (1989) with distinction, and her M.L.I.S. from the University of Washington (2000) with a special certificate in law librarianship. After graduation, she served as a litigation

attorney at three law firms in southern California: Latham & Watkins in Costa Mesa (1993-1994), Adams, Duque & Hazeltine in San Diego (1993-1994), and Gray, Cary, Ware & Freidenrich in San Diego (1994-1997).

Before joining the faculty at University of California, Irvine School of Law, Beatrice was the chief law librarian and adjunct professor at the University of Toronto School of Law, and senior associate law library for foreign and comparative law and adjunct professor at the University of Michigan Law School.

In June 2008, Beatrice joined UCI School of Law as a founding faculty member and Associate Dean of Library and Information Services. Her responsibility was to build and develop a world class academic law school and library for the twenty-first century from the ground up, and to create a friendly, functional, and creative environment both physically and virtually for the staff and students.



I had a wonderful opportunity to meet Associate Dean Tice at the UCI Law Library on Thursday, May 20, 2010. She greeted me with a huge, friendly smile and a firm handshake. For the first part of the visit, she gave me a tour of the library. The library is located on the lower two floors of the law school building. Staff offices for public services, the circulation area, the computer lab, ready reference, California materials, and the West reporters are housed upstairs. The technical services area, compact shelving and unbound law review journals are housed downstairs.



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My Visit to the UCI Law School Library ... *(continued from page 16)*

Beatrice is also responsible for purchasing library materials, making sure the materials she selects meet the needs of the law students. Initially, emphasis was on materials for first year students. Because of space limitations (library is 17,000 square feet), she is focusing on developing a strong electronic collection. She states that being a good selector is a distinctively true feature of a good librarian familiar with faculty, students and the mission of the law library.

The mission of the library is to partner proactively with the law school in pursuing excellence in education, to advance legal scholarship, and to support the teaching and research needs of the faculty and students. Beatrice also wants the library to be an active force and to insert itself in everyday activities.

Last year, Beatrice hired more library staff. In August, the library will be fully in operation and will be circulating materials to faculty, staff and students. As a member of the UC system, the law library has access to the holdings of all UC libraries 24/7, and has its own courier system.

There are plans to add another 3500 square feet downstairs from the Data Center office, to expand the technical services area, and to add more study rooms and compact shelving. The library currently has nearly 9000 print volumes. The bulk of its monograph collection will be housed in compact shelving.

When I walked in the library, I had a soothing feeling. What struck me about the library was the color scheme (pine green and white walls), original California impressionist paintings on the walls, windows throughout the



library to allow natural lighting, handmade wooden rocking chairs facing the windows, and the building being surrounded by beautiful trees and plants. Associate Dean Tice

explained that she went through 22 swatches of color before deciding the color scheme for the library's walls. The rocking chairs were handmade by Amish craftsmen in Pennsylvania.

Beatrice said, "My favorite feature of the library are the rocking chairs. When the judges from California's ninth circuit court came for a visit, they were all sitting in the rocking chairs, looking out the window. The rocking chairs



were heavily used during final exams, and they serve as a stress reliever for the law students as well."

After the tour, we met in her office for an interview and sat in rocking chairs. During the interview, I asked Associate Dean Tice what was the most challenging aspect of her position. She replied enthusiastically, "During the construction of the law school and library, I had only four staff members. I was immersed in building contracts and construction every day. My goal in building the law school from scratch was to keep all the threads together with few staff members, and to finish the year with great success." She described her experience as being able to participate as a founding faculty member in establishing a law school and library as thrilling and gratifying.



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My Visit to the UCI Law School Library ... *(continued from page 17)*

The law library at present has a staff of fourteen. **Jessica Wimer**, past president of SCALL, is the Associate Director, Public Services. **Melody Lembke** is the Associate Director, Technical Services.

The UCI Law School currently has sixty students. Ninety more are expected for the fall 2010 semester. In October 2010, the school will be applying for ABA accreditation. The first academic year is now over. The UCI Law Library can look back with pride and look forward with confidence.

Margot McLaren is Serials / Documents Librarian at Whittier Law School Library in Costa Mesa. **Tanya Cao** is Catalog Librarian at Chapman Law School Library in Orange.



New Attorneys' Research Skills: An Enlightening Conversation ... by Isa Lang

Introduction

Representatives from law firms and law schools met at USC Gould School of Law on Friday, May 21, to evaluate new attorneys' and summer law clerks' legal research skills. Throughout the SCALL-sponsored workshop, panelists and audience members recounted numerous experiences with legal research "fledglings" and expressed a variety of viewpoints on preparing these fledglings to leave the academic nest. Several themes, summarized below, emerged from the panels and subsequent discussions.

Problem-Solving is a Valuable Teaching Tool

Solving problems that may arise in practice is a training tool that can be employed in legal research classes as well as in a legal writing program. For example, **Patrick Meyer**, Interim Director at Thomas Jefferson Law Library, spends less teaching time on bibliographic resources than on the application of those resources to legal problems. **Grace Tonner**, who heads the Legal Research and Writing Program at UC Irvine School of Law, designs deliberately ambiguous problems requiring students to research slowly and in depth. Her students must document their research paths in a journal.

Bob Ryan, Librarian at Hill Farrer & Burrill, notices a tendency in new attorneys to sacrifice thoroughness in research for speed. Students who are exposed to problem-solving in their legal skills classes should develop a working knowledge of relevant resources for the issue at hand, increasing research speed while maintaining thorough research techniques. Professor Tonner hopes to combine advanced research classes that pinpoint subject-specific secondary sources with the practicums at UCI Law School.

Researchers Should Not "Give Up"

Nancy Morgan, an attorney at Rutter Hobbs & Davidoff, is surprised at new attorneys' lack of initiative and willingness to fail. Even if a new attorney believes she is on the wrong track, she should tell her supervising attorney what she found in her research. Ms. Morgan cites an instance when she was about to give up but told her supervisor about one case she felt was irrelevant. It turned out that the case was a perfect fit for the issue she was researching even though it was in a different legal area. A librarian can help a "stuck" patron persevere by reviewing his research path and pointing him to additional sources.

New Attorneys Must Gain Control Over Their Research

A repeated complaint about new attorneys from librarians and Ms. Morgan is that they do not know what questions to ask when given an assignment or researching it. They cling to buzzwords for online searching but have no idea about appropriate databases to search or what to do with the search results. **Catherine Meller**, Librarian at Latham & Watkins, explains different secondary source search platforms (CEB, CCH et al.) to new attorneys to help them pinpoint their searches. Bob Ryan fears that megasearch engines such as Google and, possibly, the new Westlaw Next platform (it consolidates databases into one natural language search), exacerbate this problem. The researcher gets results but has no idea about how he arrived at them.

Some academic law librarians believe that introducing first year students to print digests and secondary sources helps those students understand how an issue fits into a larger context. **Judi Bikel**, librarian at Akin Gump, supports this view. She sees better organized minds and research skills in new attorneys who have used print resources. She also sees a difference between new attorneys who have taken an Advanced Legal Research class and those who took just the basic class as first-year students.

Cost-Effective Searching Still Looms Large

The message from most law firm librarians is that time spent searching online is still a sensitive issue in client billing. Some law schools, including Thomas Jefferson and Chapman, include billing in their Legal Research class curricula. A lawyer-librarian at Chapman has students fill out a sample billing sheet during a research session in class. Other schools ask the online search trainers to speak about billing. Nonetheless, the fiscal structure of each law firm is different and new attorneys need to learn how their research is billed, warns Bob Ryan.

Conclusion

Most participants in this workshop, and SCALL members in general, do not need to be told about the ongoing debate between researching in print or online. At the workshop, the debate sometimes became quite heated. However, the consensus is that law students need to learn to frame questions and to exercise judgment in answering them, no matter what tools they choose for their research. Academic librarians still have the luxury of exposing their patrons to a wide variety of resources, both print and online, in the hope that well-rounded researchers will become excellent attorneys.

Isa Lang is Interim Director at Chapman University School of Law in Orange

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SCALL Executive Board Meeting Minutes

SCALL Executive Board Meeting Wednesday, 2 December 2009

A regular meeting of the SCALL Executive Board was held on Wednesday, 2 December 2009 at the Anna's Italian Restaurant in West Los Angeles. Board members present were:

Brian Raphael, President
 Jessica Wimer, Past President
 Hugh Treacy, Vice President/President Elect
 John Wilson, Treasurer
 Robert Wright, Secretary
 Margot McClaren, Board Member
 Mary Dryden, Board Member

A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 4:10 PM.

I. Review of Minutes

John Wilson moved to approve the minutes of the Executive Board Meeting held on October 22, 2009 as printed. There was no discussion and the motion was carried.

II. Treasurer's Report

John Wilson reported that SCALL had net assets of \$44,571.54. Robert Wright moved to approve the Treasurer's report. There was no discussion and the motion was carried.

III. Secretary's Report

Robert Wright had nothing to report.

IV. President's Report

Brian Raphael read his President's Report, the highlights of which were:

Arrangements are being made for SCALL to host the 2010 Joint Chapters Reception at the AALL Annual Meeting

A suggestion was made to have "life membership" voted at the members' dinner that evening for Karla Kastetter, retiring Director of the Thomas Jefferson School of Law Library.

The written report is filed with these minutes.

V. Vice President's and 2009 Institute Report

Hugh Treacy reported on the upcoming SCALL Institute, entitled "It's Not Easy Going Green: The Role of Lawyers and Librarians in Support of the Environment", to be held at the Marriot Ventura Beach in Ventura CA on March 5 -6 2009. His committee and subcommittee members are in place and actively recruiting speakers.

VI. Committee Reports

The Board received and read all committee reports by email, and those reports are filed with the minutes of this meeting. Per Sturgis' Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure all reports are considered filed without voting.

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VII. Membership Database Proposal

After many months of investigation and discussions with the Board, Pauline Aranas, chair of the Membership Committee submitted a proposal to the regular Board Meeting and the Annual Members Meeting June 26, 2009. The proposal is filed with these minutes. Mary Dryden moved to accept Pauline Aranas' recommendation to subscribe to MemberClicks for SCALL's electronic membership management. After discussion the motion was carried.

VIII. Proposed Bylaws Amendment on Unemployed Members

After some discussion the proposed amendment was left for further discussion.

IX. Fundraising/Marketing Proposal from Carolina Rose

The Board continued discussing a plan for joint fundraising and marketing with "Virtual Loop".

X. New Business

There was no new business.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:20 PM.

Additional actions subsequent to the regular meeting:

2 December 2009

It was moved at the members' December dinner that Karla Kastetter, retiring Director of the Thomas Jefferson School of Law Library, be made a Life Member of SCALL. After discussion, the motion was adopted.

10 March 2010

The Board was asked to vote for the next Chair of the AALL Council of Chapter Presidents. Hugh Treacy moved that the Board vote for Diane Rodriguez as chair. After discussion the motion was carried.

17 March 2010

Mary Dryden moved that the Board grant sponsorship and one hundred dollars in funding in response to the March 9, 2010 request submitted by Pauline Aranas, Jessica Wimer and Laura Cadra with regard to their proposed Legal Research Workshop taking place on May 21, 2010. After discussion, the motion was carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert A. Wright
Secretary 2008 - 2010

SCALL Statement of Accounts—Summary

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Spring 2010

July 2009-April 2010

Checking Account

<u>Checking Account</u>		<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Expenses</u>
Beginning Balance	Budgeted Amt.		
Transfer from/to savings			
SCALL Board	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 36.00	\$ 3,393.10
Archives	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -
Awards	\$ 300.00	\$ -	
Budget & Finance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Bylaws	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -
Government Relations	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 219.15
Grants	\$ 6,000.00	\$ -	\$ 2,050.00
Information Technology	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ 49.00
Inner City Youth	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 155.00	\$ 5,000.00
Institute	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 16,426.20	\$ 12,572.59
Library School Liaison	\$ 4,000.00	\$ -	\$ 3,500.00
Membership	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 5,054.00	\$ 1,411.70
Newsletter	\$ 400.00	\$ 1,760.00	\$ 149.00
Nominations	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -
Placement	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ -
Programs	\$ 5,600.00	\$ 2,868.00	\$ 4,272.86
Public Access to Legal Information	\$ 250.00	\$ -	\$ -
Public Relations	\$ 1,800.00	\$ -	\$ 396.29
Relations with Vendors	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ -
Union List	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Treasurer	\$ 800.00	\$ -	\$ -
Secretary	\$ 1,300.00	\$ -	\$ -
Checking Totals	\$ 45,400.00	\$ 26,299.20	\$ 33,013.69

Job Opportunities ... by Jodi Kruger

Branch Library Aide, Public Services Division; San Diego County Public Law Library; San Diego, May 21

Reference Librarian; Stanford Law School; Stanford, May 14

Reference Librarian; Ogletree, Deakins, Nash, Smoak & Stewart, P.C.; Los Angeles, May 10

Assistant Librarian; Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer & Feld; Los Angeles, May 4

Technical Services Assistant II (Serials/Acquisitions); O'Melveny & Myers LLP; Los Angeles, April 16

Research Librarian; Kelly Law Registry; Los Angeles, January 7

Pool of Temporary Reference Librarians; Western State University Law Library; Fullerton, ongoing

Librarians & Library Technical Assistants, California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation; Statewide, ongoing

Jodi Kruger is Research Services Librarian at Pepperdine University School of Law in Malibu. She is currently Chair of the SCALL Placement Committee.

Joint Institute Survey

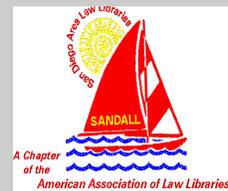
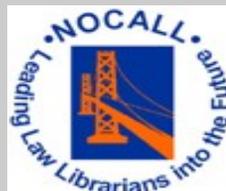
Greetings,

As many of you know, the three California law library association chapters, **SCALL**, **NOCALL**, and **SANDALL** have regularly organized joint institutes since 1999. The last joint institute was held in 2006. The leadership of the three chapters would like to get input from our members regarding the desirability of having a joint institute next year. Please take just a few minutes to complete the brief survey link below so that we can best meet the needs of our members. Thank you very much.

[Survey link:](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=W3uWvnVy1VsxWiYOekWF1TvOETgx5zp1EGA0VWci6xc%3d&)

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