



From the President

By Judy K. Davis

I can hardly believe the holidays are upon us and that the year is almost over! SCALL has had a good fall. On October 17, Sidley Austin's downtown LA office graciously hosted our fall meeting, and SCALL's own June Liebert gave a fun and interactive presentation that taught attendees how to identify and prioritize work. June's talk was fantastic, so I hope you will read Sherry Leysen's recap of it, later in this issue.

This fall was unusual in that the regular fall meeting was not the only opportunity for SCALL members to get together. On November 1, SCALL made its first venture into Orange County in recent memory. Members attended "Happy Hour in the OC" at the Claim Jumper in Costa Mesa for appetizers (thank you Suzanne Smith), a drink or two and a fun, low-key evening. Folks



came from as near as across the street to as far away as San Diego! It was great to see so many SCALL members in Orange County, and the smaller group meant everyone had a chance to chat with everyone else. We laughed, told stories, and I think I even heard business being transacted. In fact, the event went so well that we are already planning a repeat in the spring! More details to come after the New Year. If you'd like to plan a happy hour or other SCALL meet-up in your area, please contact me or another Board member, and we'll help you plan it.

Another important event that happened this fall was the transition of SCALL's listserv. If you have been wondering why you no longer receive emails from the listserv, read on, and then visit SCALL's [Listserv](#) page to get yourself reinstated. Several months ago, AALL announced it was

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Community College to Law School

By Lisa Junghahn

I attended my first community college class as a seven year old; I sat in the back while my mom earned her associate degree; she was the first in our family to attend any college, and a single-mom with a job. I credit these early experiences for my own strong interest in learning and helping others to learn.

Community colleges are a big part of the California Master Plan for Higher Education of 1960. The Plan was designed in part to guarantee educational access for everyone. In California, community colleges accept any student capable of benefiting from education; graduates from these schools are then guaranteed transfer to the Cal State or UC system for a four-year bachelor's degree. Last year, for example, UCLA accepted more than 5,000 community

college transfers, and UCI almost 9,000.

I became interested in the Plan as a law student 15 years ago in New Jersey. I then became obsessed after moving to California four years ago. I started working at UCI Law, and was excited to be a part of this magical system for higher education. One of the first things I noticed was that there were always a handful of law students in my classes who had come up from a community college, and almost none who had graduated from boarding school (in contrast to schools in the northeast).

I started to investigate. The first California community college opened in Fresno in 1910. Not long after, the state passed laws to expand the reach of community colleges and integrate their

curriculum with both industry and four-year universities. With the GI Bill in 1944, the schools exploded, and today there are 114 community colleges in California, the largest system of higher education in the United States, serving more than two million students. These colleges serve all students equally, and their mission statements are full of words like *democratic*.

To learn more, I started teaching research part-time at Santa Monica College (SMC), which has 30,000 students. There are very wealthy foreign students; new citizens and Dreamers; parents and breadwinners; homeless and veterans; kids who are first in their family to graduate high school;

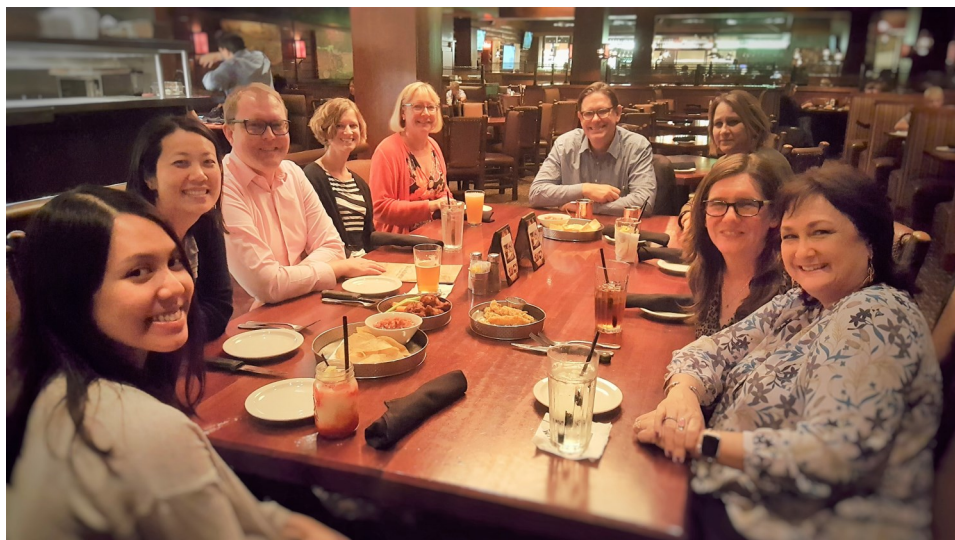
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withdrawing financial support for the chapter listservs. The chapters then had to decide whether to absorb the substantial costs or begin running their own independent listservs. After careful consideration and testing, SCALL's Executive Board decided to move our listserv to Google Groups. SCALL transitioned in October, and so far, Google Groups is working smoothly. The Board takes members' privacy concerns seriously, and Google, along with most other providers, has had its fair share of issues. In the end, however, this seemed to be the best choice for SCALL. The free price tag was also hard to beat; it allows SCALL to continue spending money where it is most needed. And that brings me to my next topic...

SCALL's Grants Committee, chaired by Cindy Guyer, has received a budget increase this year, along with an expanded range of educational programs that grant recipients can attend. In addition to the AALL Annual Meeting and the SCALL Institute, the committee can now accept applications for a limited number of members to attend any educational conference that is related to libraries or the law. If you've been wanting to attend a conference that fits these categories but have not been able to get funding, the Grants Committee may be able to help. It never hurts to ask!

And speaking of educational conferences, SCALL's Institute is rolling around—probably sooner than you think. Vice President Erik Adams and his hardworking committee have made great progress since the last newsletter. The official name of the institute has been released, and it is (drum roll...) *Artificial*



*SCALL members enjoy Happy Hour in the OC.
Clockwise, from left: Lisa Dang, Christina Tsou, Brendan Starkey, Jessica Pierucci, Melody Lembke, Erik Adams and guest, Diana Jaque, and Suzanne Smith. (Photo by Judy K. Davis)*

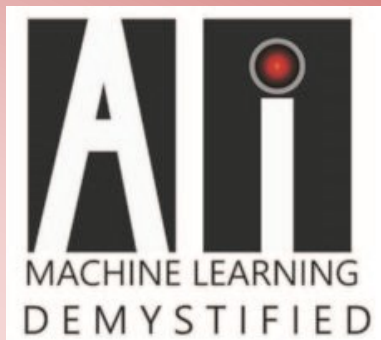
Intelligence and Machine Learning Demystified. In case you missed it, registration is already open on the SCALL website's [Institute page](#). While you're there, check out the cool logo, and ask Erik about his graphic designer the next time you see him. Erik and his committee have already confirmed this year's keynote speaker—Ed Walters, CEO and co-founder of Fastcase. Yes, *that* Ed Walters. Several other respected experts are on the slate, and if that is still not enough to convince you, remember that the Institute is in beautiful Santa Barbara this year. Reserve your spot early!

In other news, the SCALL Membership Committee has transitioned to a new online database. The new database is more efficient and costs less than the previous one, so the decision was a win-win. The change was seamless for the

most part, but the committee is still working some final bugs out of the new setup. If you have any questions about whether your membership or contact information is current, you can check your account in the [Membership Directory](#).

Finally, don't forget that SCALL's holiday party is now a post-holiday party. The Programs Committee is busily setting up an event that promises to be fun and festive. The party will be in early to mid-January, so you can expect the invitations to go out soon.

That's it for this update. I wish you all a safe and happy holiday season. I look forward to seeing you at the post-holiday party and to hearing all about your fun holiday adventures in the Membership News column of the next newsletter!



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suburban rich kids who are still maturing; and students from practical middle-class families. As part of my work, I learned about AB 705, a Governor Brown initiative to encourage community colleges to get better at graduating all students equally. It turns out that white students are three times more likely to graduate than their black or latinx classmates.

Back at UCI Law, I began to work with the pre-law outreach program (POP). This is a six-week summer program designed to encourage college students from diverse backgrounds to pursue law school. My colleagues and I were asked to speak on a panel about our paths to law school and beyond. We also hosted a legal research workshop in which students did actual work and were thrilled for the opportunity. Soon after, I volunteered to help POP alumni draft personal statements for law school applications; I also reviewed applications for the next POP class. For months, I read about obstacle after obstacle and how each student had found success.

Within this, I learned that California has among the worst performing public high schools in the country, ranking below states like Alabama and West Virginia.

California earnestly creates a pathway for everyone to earn a college degree, but the road is long and hard, and those from disadvantaged backgrounds who make it are rare. I started to see a pattern among community college graduates at the law school. They are slightly older than their peers, more resourceful, and much more resilient. They don't crumble at the first sign of negative feedback; they show up to office hours and ask questions. They also take advantage of other law school support services. One student explained to me that community college takes away your ego and replaces it with community. These students succeeded (despite so much) because they were engaged and relied on any and all mentors.

I saw the same approach to learning from the community college students who I hired to help me review teaching materials. These students did not have

the highest reading comprehension or the best foundation in American civics. They did, however, realize the opportunity to learn and ran with it. They read more carefully than any law school RA and asked very good questions. The insights I gained from their points of confusion were invaluable. And because of them, I was able to make the materials more clear for every first-year law student.

Community colleges matter and law schools have a lot to learn from them. For example, community college curricula are now focused on being more *culturally responsive* than *democratic*. They are also building stronger communities. Many community colleges have created a Law Pathway program to help expose students to careers in law, networking opportunities, and leadership training. In essence, they are trying to provide social capital to everyone and to make the legal profession more diverse for a better society. Not a bad goal for any law school.

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Member Profile: Cindy Chick

By Erik Y. Adams

"I think I am a good problem solver. I like it at work, and I like it with dogs," said Cindy Chick, Global Library E-Services Manager at the law firm of Latham and Watkins, where she has worked for 18 years.

One of the first things you learn about Cindy is her strong interest in her hobby: training her dogs for shows and agility trials. As Wikipedia puts it, agility is "... a dog sport in which a handler directs a dog through an obstacle course in a race for both time and accuracy." Cindy has done this for several years with her dog Cimer. More about that later.

Cindy works primarily with library staff, rather than directly with attorneys. At one point an employer had everyone take a personality test, which assigned everyone a color. Cindy expected to be a "blue", which would indicate an analytic mind, and would fit perfectly with a person who, at the age of 10, had created her own library circulation system. However, instead Cindy tested to "yellow," indicating a people person. This also went against her colleague's expectations: "What color are you? You're a blue, right?"

Prior to Latham, Cindy worked primarily for smaller law firms that for the most part don't exist anymore. In her time at Latham, the firm has grown significantly, and Cindy has seen her position and profession go through many changes. When she started at Latham, the library staff were more generalized, and the library wound up having a wide range of responsibilities. As the firm grew, new departments were created and responsibilities shifted away from the library, and the librarians became more specialized. "There's more infrastructure—I wouldn't call it bureaucracy because bureaucracy tends to slow things down."

At previous jobs Cindy was involved in a lot of library planning, which often involved downsizing and focusing collections. She used to think that at

some point the books wouldn't be needed, and although that now seems to be the case, it took a lot longer than she had anticipated.

More recently, her position has shifted and she is working more with current awareness products, which have changed a lot over the years. When she started, current awareness pretty much meant setting up an alert on Lexis or Westlaw Watch, but now there are a lot more products and they require a lot more effort to use. Partially this is because there is so much more information available online, and expectations are higher for the match of articles.

"It has not gotten easier. It's gotten harder." Artificial Intelligence has helped some, but people's expectations for current awareness products are higher. It

wrong way. "I don't understand why we're all not using natural language—it's such a good starting point." It is, in other words, a tool to solve a problem.

Which gets us back to dogs.

Prior to talking to Cindy, most of my impressions of the dog competition world came from watching the American Kennel Club events and the Christopher Guest movie *Best in Show*. I had no idea of the amount of work involved.

"When you get into dogs this deep, it's hard to talk to normal people." Cindy did not grow up showing dogs and competing in agility trials. Instead, Cindy got into it via her husband. He was interested in showing dogs, and from there it was a short step into agility trials. Now the hobby consumes a significant portion of her free time, as she is either getting professional training, practicing, or participating in shows.

Cindy's dog Cimer is more properly known as Vivant et Lisse Dulcimer Flight. "Vivant et Lisse" is the kennel where Cimer was born. Her litter had a theme of musical instruments, and Cindy chose the dulcimer, in part because she needed a name that would be shortened to something a dog could understand in a noisy arena during agility trials, "Cim." A

dulcimer is an instrument with metal strings, related to the guitar. And "flight" is apparently slang in the dulcimer community for an impressive piece of playing. Complicated, you say? A look at recent dog show winners indicates Cimer's name is, if anything, fairly tame, considering the tongue-twisting names of recent champions like Clussexx Three D Grinchy Glee or Banana Joe V Tani Kazari.

Despite her qualms about being able to talk to "normal" people, Cindy Chick does just fine. I definitely enjoyed my chance to talk with her and learn more about another interesting fellow SCALL member.



Cindy Chick and Cimer at a recent dog show. (Photo used with permission)

isn't enough anymore for an article to mention a client. Attorneys want articles that discuss news about the company, but not report every day on the stock price, except if the stock price changes dramatically, in which case they *do* want such an article. And so on. This seems like a problem that artificial language could tackle, but we don't seem to be there, yet.

At this point our conversation turned to natural language versus Boolean searching. It seems to me that librarians have clung to Boolean queries very tightly, and as a breed we are suspicious of natural language searching. Cindy agreed but thinks that suspicion goes the



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SCALL Fall Meeting: June Liebert on Identifying and Prioritizing High Value Work

By Sherry L. Leysen

On October 17, SCALL members gathered at the downtown LA office of Sidley Austin LLP for an instructive and valuable presentation on the topic of identifying and prioritizing high value work by June Liebert, the Firmwide Director of Library and Research Services at Sidley.

June began with an interactive exercise in which she asked attendees to create a short list of work activities or tasks that we each deem important. Throughout her presentation, June helped us to think about how we prioritize our work tasks, introducing and explaining several methods to help us focus on this question.

She first introduced the *Priority Matrix* method. The idea behind this method is that work tasks are placed in one of four quadrants depending on whether the impact is high or low, and whether it is easy or hard to implement. “Quick wins”—items or tasks that will have a high impact and are relatively easy to implement—can help prioritize what is important. Another method is the *(President) Eisenhower Matrix/Box*. This method can be used to prioritize work that is identified as both really urgent and very important; the matrix directs that these tasks should be handled first. (If it is neither, this matrix suggests essentially ignoring it.)

June shared the success story of the Library and Research Services department at Sidley, which saw a huge increase in the number of requests it received. The department was able to successfully manage this increase because they were efficient and prioritized properly. Early on, a consultant (having both a legal background and intelligence expertise) introduced them to the *structured analysis* method of prioritizing. Think of the type of analysis the character Jack Ryan would do.

This method is grounded in the work of CIA intelligence analyst Richards Heuer, Jr. (*Psychology of Intelligence Analysis* (1999)). June explained that the idea behind this method is that when we try to prioritize, we naturally have biases that can color our ability to do so effectively. This method helps us to become aware of our biases and prioritize appropriately despite them. Heuer’s *Structured Analytic Techniques for Intelligence Analysis* includes dozens of techniques for structured analysis (some of which will be familiar, e.g., the SWOT analysis).

Pair Wise Ranking

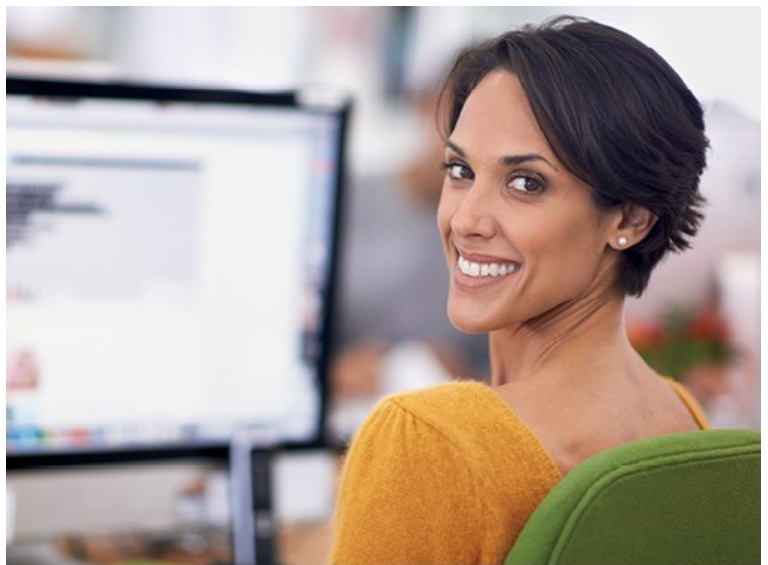
June discussed a technique of structured analysis, the *Pair Wise Ranking* method, where each item on a list is compared in a systematic way. Illustrating this method with the example of determining a favorite color, June explained how pair wise ranking works. First, create three columns. The first column includes a list of items to compare, such as colors: blue, red, green, yellow, and purple. The second column is for tally marks, and the third column is for the sum total. Take the first item on the list (the color blue) and compare it

against the second color, then against the third color, and so on, doing so for each item on the list. Between each choice, a tally is made for the favorite: blue v. red; tally mark for blue; blue v. green, tally for blue; blue v. yellow, tally for yellow, and so on. Then continue with red v. green, red v. yellow, and so on. The color with the most points rises to the top as the favorite. Using our individual list of identified work activities or tasks, we each conducted a pair wise ranking and evaluated whether a different ordering of our priorities was revealed.

Prioritizing Using Weighted Criteria

When using structured analysis, June asked us to consider our goals. What are we trying to prioritize? What goals are we trying to achieve? Our goals need to be part of our prioritization and decision-

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making process. June recalled a 2008 *AALL Spectrum* article by Carl Yirka, “What Should Law Libraries Stop Doing in Order to Address Higher Priority Initiatives?” June said one way to think about the “Yirka Question,” and to help us align the work of our libraries with the goals of our organizations, is to have a strategic plan to help illuminate our goals. Then, our goals can be prioritized according to the weight we assign to criteria.

She shared a number of scenarios where using weighted criteria can help identify what should be prioritized, from IT projects to library tasks that are aligned with our institution’s goals. For example, the AALL Annual Meeting Program Committee (AMPC) uses weighted criteria in the form of a rubric to evaluate every submitted proposal.

Another example is an applicant screening matrix that can be employed

when hiring for a position. Create one column with the preferred and required qualifications from the job description—the criteria—and then assign a point value to each (e.g., two points for each required qualification; one point for each preferred qualification, etc.). Then determine whether or not an applicant meets each qualification and assign the relevant weighted score. June noted that this process works well because it forces us to look at things in a different way and removes our personal biases.

June led attendees through an exercise and an example to illustrate how to apply structured analysis using pair wise ranking or weighted criteria. Chances are a new or surprising order of task priorities will be revealed once structured analysis is applied. June summarized the many benefits of using structured analysis for complex situations. Decision-making processes become more transparent, collaborative, and more bias-

free, resulting in work tasks or activities that are tied to high value goals and objectives.

Our thanks to June for an illuminating and helpful discussion on how to prioritize more efficiently and effectively, and to the Sidley team for graciously hosting our meeting.

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Congratulations to William (Bill) Ketchum!

Bill received a SCALL Grant to attend the 2019 AALL Management Institute in Chicago.



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Elephants, Adversarial Images, and the Value of Skeptical Thinking

By Jim Senter

When I was a toddler, part of exploring my colorful new world was looking at picture books. One favorite was an alphabet book with animals for each letter – A is for Alligator, B is for Buffalo, E is for Elephant. I loved that book and could proudly recite my alphabet and identify the animal on each page. I knew that the alligator had an enormous mouth with scary, sharp teeth, the buffalo had horns and was brown and fuzzy, and the elephant was gray with a skinny tail and big ears.

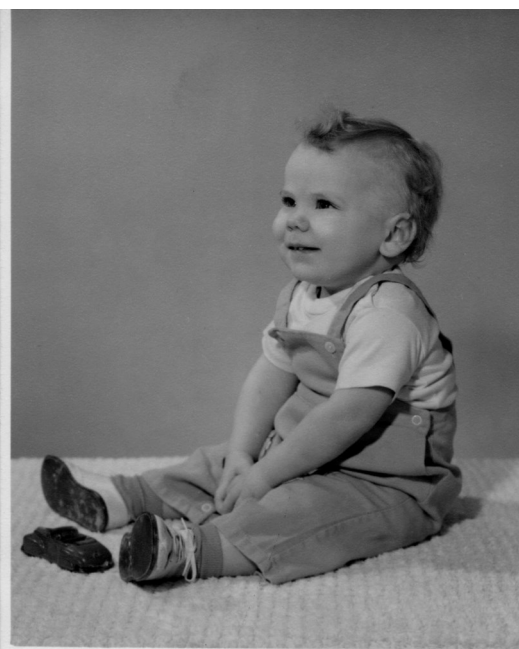
Family lore records I ran into the kitchen one day to report I had spotted an elephant under the sofa in our living room. You may have guessed that I was mistaken. I had no idea how big or small an elephant was, never having seen a real one. My alphabet book did not indicate the creature's size. The mouse hidden under the sofa was gray, with a skinny tail and big ears! It looked like an elephant to me, but there was key bit of information missing from my little picture book. Context matters.

The hilarious meme, “Chihuahua or Muffin,” springs to mind. Artificial intelligence is improving at a rapid pace, but, for now, machine vision software has trouble distinguishing between a dog and a blueberry muffin. Before I go any further with the subject, here is some context for you: I know very little about AI, just that it is a fascinating field and the implications for legal research will be tremendous. Our SCALL president-elect, Erik Adams, is way ahead on that score – back in library school, he was one of my more “techie” classmates, and one of the smartest cookies in a jar full of smart cookies. If you have not heard yet, Erik is planning a fantastic Institute next Spring focused on unwrapping and demystifying Artificial Intelligence and machine learning (read more about the Institute elsewhere in this issue).

But back to dogs and muffins. Those memes are harmless examples of what some call “adversarial images”, pictures designed to trick machine vision software. One interesting article,

[“Google’s AI thinks this turtle looks like a gun, which is a problem”](#), describes adversarial images as optical illusions for computers. If AI sees a photo of a mop and identifies the subject as a sheepdog, it is amusing. When a self-driving car can be tricked into thinking a yard sale sign is a pedestrian who might jump into its path, we are talking about a misidentification episode with serious implications.

Adversarial images are an extreme category of information designed to trick machines into making false



Toddler Jim Senter. (Photo courtesy Jim Senter)

identifications. As librarians, we encounter misleading information daily, and it does not always come with malicious intent. Public record research is a good example. How often do we have to caution our clientele not to take a public record snapshot at face value? Public records come from a myriad of sources, some reliable, some not so much. Our experience and expertise informs our identification skills, but we still have to put our skeptical thinking caps on – and, sadly, issue disclaimers – even when passing along something as simple as a subject's address. Along with search results, we must provide context. Lives can be affected by the

decisions lawyers and clients make based on the research we conduct and the information we provide.

Another familiar law library task is setting up alerts for new cases involving clients or prospective clients. I recently ran a comparison of state trial courts covered by three major case alert vendors. PACER, with all its flaws, is at least a unified system covering virtually all the Federal courts. The state court picture is a completely different animal and a patchwork of varying degrees of case file accessibility. My test found that vendor A covers over 700 state trial courts nationwide; B and C each cover over 1,000. But A covers 50 courts that neither B nor C cover. Similarly, B covers 260 unique courts; C covers 300. Several states are not covered by the three vendors. Those states may have their own homegrown databases, contract with a minor player alert space, or have no online access whatsoever.

All this to state the obvious – the big picture is crucial information to convey to the requestor, who may assume that a case alert is easy to set up on their favorite research platform, and is infallible and comprehensive, covering every single court in the country. It is smart to be aware of their assumptions, and to examine our own! Details matter, and part of our task as researchers is to communicate a sensible degree of context to our busy clientele, without overwhelming them with minutiae.

The elephant under the sofa provided a wonderful teaching moment for a toddler who did not have all the facts, and it was easily solved with a trip to the zoo. Oh, for those more innocent times! For better or worse, it is a more complicated world these days. To be able to pluck the truth from streams of misleading and incomplete data takes curiosity and experience, a skeptical temperament, and a critical eye.

Jim Senter is Library Services Manager at Jones Day in Los Angeles, CA.



Membership News

By Judy K. Davis & Karen Skinner

Matthew Flyntz is now Research Law Librarian with **UC Irvine School of Law**.

Jennifer Friedman is now Head of Acquisitions and E-Resources Management at **UCLA School of Law Library**.

Mark Gediman is now Reference Librarian with **Alston & Bird** in Los Angeles.

Brendan Starkey is now Director at the **Orange County Public Law Library**.

Cornell Winston, of the **United States Attorney's Office**, was elected AALL

Treasurer for a 3-year term beginning in July 2019.

Welcome new members!

Cara Johnson is Research Analyst at **Stroock, Stroock & Lavan**.

Penny Adele Ortega is Senior Research & Reference Specialist at **Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati**.

Jimmy Pak is Legal Reference & Instructional Librarian at the **Riverside County Law Library**.

Any corrections, changes, or additions to your membership information, as well as any announcements for Membership News, should be sent to:

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Career Opportunities

Date Posted	Job Description	Location
November 30	Librarian; Honda	Torrance
November 30	Library Assistant; Riverside County Law Library	Riverside
November 26	Knowledge Management Coordinator; Nossaman	Los Angeles
November 13	Technical Services/Circulation Librarian; UC Davis Mabie Law Library	Davis
October 29	Supervising Librarian 1; California Department of Justice	San Francisco
October 26	Reference Librarian; UCLA Law Library	Los Angeles
October 4	Research Law Librarian for Instructional Services; UC Irvine School of Law	Irvine
October 3	Research/Instruction Librarian; Chapman University Law Library	Orange
October 2	Research Analyst; Morrison Foerster	Location Flexible
September 27	Research Specialist; Jackson Lewis P.C.	Location Flexible
September 20	Research Librarian; LAC Group	LA or Orange County or San Diego
September 10	Research Librarian; Latham & Watkins	LA or Century City or Costa Mesa or North San Diego County
August 23	Legal Research Analyst; Alchemy Legal	LA or Chicago or DC or NY
July 30	Supervising Librarian; California Department of Justice	San Francisco
April 13	Reference and Digital Resources Librarian; University of La Verne Law Library	Ontario
March 20	Managing Librarian Serials & Acquisitions; LA Law Library	Los Angeles

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Executive Board Meeting Minutes

By Amber Kennedy Madole

A regular meeting of the SCALL Executive Board was held on Monday, June 18, 2018 at the U.S. Court of Appeals Building in Pasadena, CA.

In attendance were:

President Ramon Barajas
Vice President Judy K. Davis
Treasurer Caitlin Hunter
Secretary Amber Madole
Past President Stefanie Frame
Board Member Erik Y. Adams
Board Member Margaret F. Hall
Patrick Sullivan
Jessica Pierucci

A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 4:32 p.m.

1. The minutes of the last session of the regular board meeting were presented for review.

- a. Ramon Barajas moved to approve the minutes and Caitlin Hunter seconded. There was no discussion and the motion carried.

2. Treasurer's Report

- a. Caitlin Hunter reported that SCALL had a bank balance of \$41,147.74 and a PayPal balance of \$3,577.70 as of June 18, 2018.
- b. Amber Kennedy Madole moved to approve the treasurer's report and Stefanie Frame seconded.

3. Secretary's Report

- a. Secretary Amber Kennedy Madole reported that the SCALL mail forwarding account has a forwarding credit of \$287.80 and that mail forwarding is running smoothly.
- b. Madole also reported on the results of the 2018 SCALL Executive Board Elections. Erik Y. Adams was elected as Vice President/President Elect, Patrick Sullivan was elected as Secretary, and Jessica Pierucci was elected as Board Member.
- c. Ramon Barajas moved to approve the report and Judy Davis seconded.

4. President's Report

- a. President Ramon Barajas reported on SCALL's highlights over the year, including the SCALL fall meeting (Defining ROI: Law Library Best Practices), SCALL's 65th Anniversary/Holiday Party in

January, and the chapter's spring meeting featuring David Nimmer in April 2018.

- b. Barajas noted that SCALL won the AALL Chapter Professional Award for the 2017 SCALL Institute, ConLaw Conundrum: Constitutional Law & Challenges in Today's Environment. Leonette Williams, who served as Programs Chair for the 2017 Institute, will attend the awards ceremony along with Ramon Barajas at the AALL Annual Meeting.
- c. Amber Kennedy Madole moved to approve the report and Margaret Hall seconded.

5. Vice President's Report

- a. Vice President Judy Davis reported the SCALL Institute, which was held at Mission Inn, resulted in a profit of \$10,032.79. She noted that the Institute attracted many exhibitors and sponsors.
- b. Stefanie Frame moved to approve the report and Caitlin Hunter seconded.

6. Committee Reports

- a. Committee reports were submitted for all committees. Committee reports are considered submitted as filed.

7. Old Business

- a. LinkedIn Page
 - i. The SCALL LinkedIn page is now live and a link will be sent to members inviting them to join.
- b. Memberclicks/Wild Apricot Software
 - i. SCALL will commence a trial of Wild Apricot member management software starting the second week of July.
- c. SCALL Listserv
 - i. SCALL has been using LSOFT listserv software, but this service will expire in October of 2018. The SCALL Information Technology Committee will investigate possible alternatives. A beta group of board members will try out any listerv program to ensure that all SCALL members are able to access the service.
- d. PayPal Fees
 - i. SCALL has been receiving a discount as a 501(c)(3) but is

actually classified as a 501(c)(6) organization, which may not qualify for a nonprofit discount with PayPal. Treasurer Caitlin Hunter recommends that SCALL remain with PayPal, as many vendors prefer paying via PayPal.

e. Board-Only Archive

- i. The board discussed the possibility of creating a board-only archive where board members could store documents of interest to future SCALL boards. The board approved the measure and noted that it would probably use Dropbox for this purpose.

8. New Business

- a. Grant Recipients and Committee Service
 - i. Cindy Guyer, from the Grants Committee, proposed two measures: a) that grant recipients be asked to participate in SCALL committee work. (Currently, grant recipients contribute materials to the newsletter), and b) that SCALL grant funds be eligible for use at librarian conferences such as SLA, CLA, CALI, Internet Librarian or CONNELL. The board stated that it would consider both proposals.
- b. Member Engagement
 - i. Jessica Pierucci has been in contact with other SCALL members about engaging newer SCALL librarians and will present information on this topic at the next SCALL Board Meeting.
- c. SANDALL and NOCALL Update
 - i. SANDALL and NOCALL are considering changing their structure and combining with other chapters.
- d. PR Committee
 - i. A SCALL member proposed that SCALL engage in a community outreach program such as a clothing drive which would then be publicized in legal news outlets. The SCALL Board said it would consider the proposal.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:54 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amber Kennedy Madole
SCALL Secretary 2016-2018



Treasurer's Report

By Caitlin Hunter

SCALL Balances

Bank Balance as of October 29, 2018	\$ 38,795.65
PayPal Balance as of October 29, 2018	\$ 3,969.51
Total Balance as of October 29, 2018	\$ 42,765.16

Committee Income and Expenses Since July 1, 2018

Committee	Budget	Income	Expenses	Budget Balance
Archives	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Awards	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Board	\$3,900.00	\$0.00	\$507.73	\$3,392.27
Government Relations	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$400.00
Grants	\$7,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,000.00
IT	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Institute	\$12,000.00	\$406.22	\$2,000.00	\$10,406.22
Inner City Youth	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00
Library School Liaison	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00
Membership	\$1,800.00	\$1,680.75	\$546.98	\$2,933.77
Newsletter	\$300.00	\$1,875.00	\$41.85	\$2,133.15
Professional Development	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Programs	\$3,000.00	\$1,215.00	\$984.02	\$3,230.98
PALI	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$150.00
Public Relations	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$300.00
Secretary	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$120.00	\$880.00
Treasurer	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$349.00	\$151.00
Totals	\$42,950.00	\$5,176.97	\$4,549.58	\$43,577.39

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All submissions should be received by:

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May/June 2019	May 6, 2019
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