

2020 – 2021 ANNUAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Archives Committee

The 2020-2021 reports were compiled and posted in 2022. We were unable to locate a report for this committee.

Awards Committee

The recipients of the SCALL Awards for 2020-2021 are as follows:

Albert O. Brecht Award: Daniel Martin, Loyola Law Library; and James Senter, Jones Day

Rohan Award- for their outstanding and on-going contributions to SCALL: Cornell Winston and Michael Saint-Onge

Vendor Service Award: Carole Sage, Courthouse News Service

Respectfully submitted, Jennifer Berman Diana Jaque Larry Meyer

Budget & Finance Committee

The Budget & Finance Committee consists of an experienced member who advises the treasurer. The Budget & Finance Committee chair for this year was Jessica (Wimer) Whytock.

Bylaws Committee

- 1. Prior to Covid, Bylaws Chair, Amy Atchison, was working on amending the bylaws. She will resume working on the amendments and send David McFadden the proposed amendments by the end of this month.
- 2. Board was notified of Amy Atchison's tenure as the Bylaws Chair ending. Laura Fouladi, Acquisitions Librarian at UCI Law, would be happy to take over as Chair.

Government Relations Committee

Members: David McFadden (chair), Larry Meyer, and Lu Nguyen.

The GRC continues to monitor legislation and re-post AALL GRC and AALL Government Relations Office postings when relevant.

There was no call to action for legislation or administrative activity during the SCALL year.

The committee monitored funding issues for California county law libraries but didn't take any action this year. There needs to be better communication between the committee and the Council of California County Law Librarians.

Chair David McFadden for the second year in row didn't participate in the Council of California County Law Librarians' Legislative Day in Sacramento in due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Submitted by David McFadden, SCALL GRC Chair 25 June 2020

Grants Committee

The SCALL Grants Committee issued calls for applications for grant funding to attend the SCALL Institute, the AALL Annual Meeting, and AALL's CONELL. We received one application for a grant to attend the SCALL Institute. We awarded Spencer Gales a grant in the amount of \$95. We did not receive any applications or award any grants to attend the AALL Annual Meeting or AALL's CONELL.

Information Technology Committee

Report prepared by: Suzie Shatarevyan, IT Committee Chair

The SCALL IT Committee is tasked with maintaining the SCALL website as well as the association listserv.

Committee members include Anahit Petrosyan and Dinah Minkoff

Website

The committee maintains the SCALL website at the scallnet.org domain. Our dedicated IP address is 162.144.185.122. The website is powered by WordPress and hosted by BlueHost. Our domain is validated with an SSL certificate. The annual domain fee paid is \$17.99. A three-year hosting fee was last paid at the end of 2018 and a renewal for future hosting will come due at the end of 2021. The website is running the most current version of WordPress - version: 5.7.2. All of the plugins that work with the current version of WordPress as well as the version of PHP (5.6.40) that the site is still running on have been updated. PHP is the coding language that the site is built on. There are, however, a few plugins that cannot be updated until either the PHP version has been updated or the plugin author can confirm that updating will work with the latest

WordPress release. The committee chair is currently investigating an upgrade to the PHP version, possibly to version 7.3 pending the compatibility of plugins with the most updated version.

Listserv

SCALL maintains a listserv on Google Groups. Our listserv address is scall@googlegroups.com. At present, we have 215 active members on the listserv. This listserv is not tied in with the Membership Directory, therefore any changes in membership are not automatically reflected in the listserv. Members must take an additional step to request listserv access or profile update.

Inner City Youth Internship Program Committee

During the Spring of 2021, we were hopeful that we might be able to recruit and place students for Summer 2021 internships. We contacted several potential host sites and discovered that some were able to hire interns, while others were prohibited from doing so due to continued COVID-19 pandemic constraints. After consulting with LAEP, we learned that all LAEP was still working remotely and we felt that this would be a significant challenge in recruiting students. In May, we determined that there was no way to recruit nor place student interns successfully this summer.

The committee thanks SCALL for their continued financial support of ICYIP. Without SCALL's significant financial support, we would be unable to offer these wonderful internships and expose local students to law libraries. Since we were unable to host interns this summer, we would respectfully ask the SCALL board to consider rolling over the budget for ICYIP for one more year from 2020/2021 to the summer of 2022 in order to continue offering these internships next year. Individual SCALL members donated to this worthy endeavor last year and LAEP has agreed to rollover that donated money to next year's internship budget as well.

Respectfully submitted, Diana Jaque (Co-Chair) and Sangeeta Pal (Co-Chair)

2020-2021 Inner City Youth Internship Program Committee Diana Jaque, Co-Chair Sangeeta Pal, Co-Chair Daisy De Anda Judy Yu

Institute Committee

The 49th Annual SCALL Institute was held February 18, 2021, via Zoom. The title of the Institute was "Data Privacy in the Age of the Cloud."

Attendees

92	Paid	
1	VIPs ¹	
5	Speakers not affiliated with SCALL	

¹ The lone VIP was Stacy Etheredge (AALL).

Exhibitors

ProQuest Lawgood Bloomberg Law Trellis Research Inc William S. Hein & Co., Inc.

Sponsors

Bloomberg Law DocketNavigator LexisNexis CEB – Continuing Education of the Bar Courthouse News Service Retriev-It LRI History LLC Thomson Reuters

Budget

The Institute made a profit of **\$3,025.96**. A breakdown of the revenue and expenses is as follows:

Registration		Totals
Attendees	\$3,773.00	
Exhibitors	\$1,250.00	
		\$5,023.00
Processing Fees		
Attendees	\$130.13	
Exhibitors	\$37.75	
		\$167.88
Other Expenses		
5 \$50 gift cards distributed to attendees	\$250.00	
Loot Boxes	\$1,579.16	
		\$1,829.16
Total Income		\$5,023.00
Total Expenses		\$1,997.04
Net		\$3,025.96

Topics and Speakers

Dr. Asaf Lubin – Maurer School of Law The End of Privacy: Regulating Covert Intelligence in the Age of Surveillance Capitalism

Diana Iketani Iorlano - Iketani Law Privacy in 2021 and Beyond

Stacy Etheredge – University of Idaho AALL Board Member Presentation

Purvi G. Patel – Morrison & Foerster CCPA and CPRA Litigation and Enforcement

Sharon Mosconi – LexisNexis & Michael Lamb – LexisNexis Data Protection: A Vendor's Perspective

Institute Committee

47th Annual Institute Committee Chair	Patrick M. Sullivan	
Exhibitors	Judy K. Davis, Co-Chair Diana Jaque, Co-Chair	
Sponsors	Jennifer Berman, Chair	
Publicity	Jimmy Pak, Co-Chair Sofia Vazquez-Duran, Co-Chair	
Technology Support	Maggie Hall, Chair	
Registration	Caitlin Hunter, Co-Chair	
Speakers	Robyn Bytheway, Co-Chair Amber Madole, Co-Chair Esther Eastman Michael Saint-Onge	
Special Advisors	Maggie Hall Erik Y. Adams	
Bibliography	David McFadden, Chair Jenna Pontious	
Website	Suzie Shatarevyan, Chair	

Institute Advisory Committee

The Institute Advisory Committee consists of an experienced member who advises the Vice President on planning the Institute. The Institute Advisory Committee chair for this year was Jennifer Berman.

Library School Liaison Committee

The SCALL Library School Liaison Committee's charge is to establish and foster professional relationships with students enrolled in library school programs in Southern California.

(1) The Committee had seven members this year, including the Committee Chair.

(2) The Committee continued its **mentoring program** for library school students living in southern California.

- The Committee sent emails to local library school students through the UCLA library school listserv, IS-NETWORK, and the SJSU library school list serv, ISCHOOL-SHARE, and geographical SLIS alert inviting responses from library students wanting a law librarian mentor. Additionally, the Committee chair reached out to the Coordinator of Student Services for the Master of Management in Library & Information Science program (MMLIS) at USC. This year, there were **ten requests** for mentors, from two students in the UCLA MLIS program, and eight students in the San Jose State University MLIS program. The UCLA students resided in Culver City and Corona, and the SJSU students resided in Valencia, Whitter, Fontana, West Hollywood, Los Angeles, Huntington Beach, and San Diego. All ten students were paired with mentors. In order to accommodate geographical and type of law library requests, the committee chair reached out to both the SCALL listserv and the coordinator of the SANDALL Connect Mentoring Program to obtain additional mentors.
- The mentors answered questions about the profession and provided career advice by corresponding via Zoom, email, or phone with their mentee.
- This can be compared to last year when six students requested a mentor, and the previous year when we had seven requests.

(3) This year, the Committee's budget was \$5,000.

(4) The Committee also continued the **SCALL Scholarship program**. In January and February the Committee chair posted the application for the 2021 SCALL Scholarship on the SCALL website and advertised the scholarship on the SCALL listserv, the UCLA library school listserv, and the SJSU listserv and geographical SLIS alert. Additionally, the Committee chair contacted the USC Coordinator of Student Services for the USC MMLIS program. Applications were due on 3/12/21. This year, four applications were received. All seven committee members participated in proposing award amounts for those applicants deserving of awards, and the Committee chair circulated proposed final award amounts which were agreed upon by the committee members. The majority of the Committee determined that all four applicants met the scholarship requirements by demonstrating a commitment to pursue a career in law librarianship, and in April the Committee announced its decision to award scholarships to all four applicants. We awarded SCALL scholarships to the following applicants:

• Serena Rodholm (Corona, CA) – UCLA MLIS

- Jillian Underwood-Jenkins (Valley Center, CA) San José State University MLIS
- *The other two scholarship recipients, one student attending the USC MMLIS program, and the other attending the UCLA MLIS program, chose to remain anonymous, an option we offer to all recipients when I notify them of their award.

A total of \$5,000.00 was awarded to the four scholarship recipients.

Respectfully submitted, Stephanie Anayah, Chair 2020 - 2021 Library School Liaison Committee

Membership Committee

Membership Statistics:

2019-20		2020-21		
281 members		281 members		
231	<u>Membership</u> Active		<u>Membership</u> Active	
-	Associate	-	Associate	
	Life	30	Life	
13	Student	20	Student	
Type of Organization		Type of Organization		
99	Academic	113	Academic	
105	Firm	106	Firm	
31	Government	34	Government	
6	Library Consultant	3	Library Consultant	
16	Vendor	18	Vendor	
24	No affiliation stated	7	No affiliation stated	

New Incoming Committee Chairs and Staggered, Fixed Terms

The Committee is excited to announce that beginning July 1, we will have two new co-chairs. Annie Mellott and Dave Isom will take over for Judy Davis and Karen Skinner, who have cochaired the membership committee for eleven years. Karen and Judy will remain as members of the committee for at least the 2021-22 year.

Going forward, the Membership Committee chair positions will be two-year, fixed, staggered terms, to assure continuity and frequent opportunities for other SCALL members looking to become more involved by chairing a committee.

Annie has graciously volunteered to co-chair for an initial three-year term, to enable the future staggering of terms. Dave will co-chair for two years. Many thanks to Annie and Dave!

Membership Numbers

The membership renewal season is underway, and we are currently receiving a high volume of renewals. Thus far, 105 members have renewed for the 2021-22. The Committee reminds all members to renew their membership as soon as possible.

Newsletter Column

The committee continues to author the Membership News column in the SCALL Newsletter. Columns provide standard updates about new members and returning members, as well as important information about SCALL members, such as retirements, awards received, and significant personal and professional events. The Membership Committee encourages members to continue sending us items and photos for inclusion in the column.

Wild Apricot Membership Database

The first year with the new online payment system, AffiniPay, which is built into Wild Apricot, has been a success and has decreased the workload of the Membership Committee with regard to membership renewals.

Other Committee Activities

- The Membership Committee continues to ask SCALL members to submit the date their SCALL membership began so that we can add that information to all member profiles. Please take a minute to complete the form to submit this info, if you haven't already done so. The form is located <u>here</u>.
- We continue to perform our regular committee functions:
 - The Membership Committee has been keeping members' information and registration current in the database/directory.
 - We sent renewal notices in June to all members for the 2021-22 year.
 - We provided a list of eligible voters to the SCALL Secretary, for this year's election.
 - We cleared long-delinquent accounts from the membership database, and updated the Google Groups listserv accordingly. This resulted in a few more renewed memberships.
 - We continue to work closely with Suzie Shatarevyan to ensure the listserv includes only current SCALL members, in order to encourage members to keep their dues current.

Submitted June 28, 2021 Karen Skinner & Judy K. Davis

Newsletter Committee

The 2020-2021 SCALL Newsletter Committee included:

Writers

- Erik Y. Adams, Sidley Austin LLP
- Sherry L. Leysen, Fowler School of Law at Chapman University
- Lisa Schultz, Loyola Law Library

Editors

- Judy K. Davis, USC Law Library
- Christina Tsou, UCI Law Library
- Jessica Wimer, UCI Law Library

Compiler and Business Manager

• Jimmy Pak, UCI Law Library

Webmaster and Listserv

• Suzie Shatarevyan, Loyola Law Library

We published five issues for volume 48:

- Sept/Oct 2020 Volume 48, Issue 1
- Nov/Dec 2020 Volume 48, Issue 2
- Jan/Feb 2021 Volume 48, Issue 3
- Mar/Apr 2021 Volume 48, Issue 4
- May/June 2021 Volume 48, Issue 5

We continued the practice of asking grant recipients to write an article for the Newsletter. For this volume, three AALL Annual Meeting grantees and one SCALL Institute grantee wrote articles.

After considering the Newsletter Committee's request, the 2020-2021 SCALL Executive Board approved reducing the number of newsletter issues per volume from five to four. Starting next year for Volume 49, the SCALL Newsletter will be published as follows:

- Fall 2021 Volume 49, Issue 1 (September)
- Winter 2021 Volume 49, Issue 2 (December)
- Spring 2022 Volume 49, Issue 3 (March)
- Summer 2022 Volume 49, Issue 4 (May)

For the next volume, we also plan to collaborate with the LA Law Library to include articles written by their interns. In addition, we anticipate three new members next year and are excited to welcome them on board, and to continue working with our dedicated continuing members. We met all together to discuss the new publication schedule, map out articles for each issue, and to streamline document sharing.

We are looking forward to these additions and modifications for the next year.

Respectfully Submitted, Judy K. Davis Christina Tsou Jessica Whytock

Nominations Committee

The 2021-22 Nominations Committee was charged and worked diligently to secure an outstanding, well-qualified slate of candidates for the position of Vice President/President-elect, Treasurer, and Member-at-Large.

A call for nominations was emailed to the membership on January 23, 2021. The Chair received 5 nominations, including 2 self-nominations. In addition to a general call for nominations, the Chair solicited nominations from SCALL Executive Board Members. Nominations Committee members carefully reviewed the SCALL bylaws for candidate qualifications and also offered nominations. The Committee compiled and reviewed a list of 16 possible candidates. We noted that some nominees were not eligible for certain positions given bylaws requirements. For example, some nominees have not served on a SCALL or AALL committee which is a requirement for consideration for Treasurer or Member-at-Large. For consideration as Vice President-Elect, some nominees are not AALL members, nor served as a SCALL officer, Board member, or committee chair.

The Committee also takes into consideration the make-up of the board and tries to have a balance of type of library (private, academic, government) and we try to be mindful to have a diverse group of candidates, if possible. Initially, the Committee sought to develop a contested slate of candidates for the positions of Treasurer and Member-at-Large. For more than a decade, the Committee practice was to present an uncontested election slate. While the Committee did have a good, qualified pool of potential candidates, for various personal and professional reasons, individuals we recruited to run for office had to decline our request. We all understand and appreciate the challenges our colleagues need to manage, especially during this past year. Since we had an excellent and very qualified candidate for the Treasurer and Member-at-Large offices, the Committee proposed and SCALL President Margaret Hall and Vice-President Patrick Sullivan agreed that we could run an uncontested election.

The Nominations Committee presented the following slate of candidates.

Vice President/President-Elect: Caitlin Hunter, UCLA

Treasurer: Sangeeta Pal, UCLA

<u>Member-at-Large:</u> Tanya Livshits, Holland & Knight For the 2021-22 Association year, returning SCALL officers are President: Patrick Sullivan, Jones Day Secretary: Daisy De Anda, Sheppard Mullin Immediate Past President: Margaret F. Hall, Southwestern Law School Board Member: Ryan Metheny, LA Law Library

Recommendation: Post current list of SCALL committee members on SCALL website. The Committee finds it challenging to verify the requirement of SCALL committee service for prospective candidates. The website and SCALL Newsletter publish an annual list of SCALL committee chairs and information regarding SCALL Institute and Newsletter committee members are readily available, but there is no easily accessible list of current or archived SCALL committee members.

A heartfelt thank you to committee members Ramon Barajas and Paul Moorman and to all the candidates for their willingness to serve.

<u>SCALL Nominations Committee, 2020</u> Pauline Aranas (USC), Chair Ramon Barajas (Alston & Bird) Paul Moorman (USC)

Placement Committee

The Placement Committee maintains a listing of job openings for the benefit of the SCALL membership and the legal community. Between June 30, 2020 and June 15, 2021, the committee received ads for approximately 54 open positions, up from 31 positions posted in 2019-2020. Each job announcement was posted by Placement Committee members to both the SCALL listserv and to the SCALL "Career Opportunities" web page. In addition, links to current job descriptions on the SCALL Placement web page are provided in the electronic edition of the *SCALL Newsletter*.

In order to keep the job listings current, inquiries were periodically sent to the contacts of job postings. Each contact was asked whether the ad should continue to be listed on the SCALL Placement web page. The contacts were also asked whether the ad should be included in the next *SCALL Newsletter* issue. Positions were only listed in the newsletter when express permission was given by the contact.

There are currently 21 jobs posted: 6 from Los Angeles, 2 from Orange County, 2 from San Diego, 4 from firms with offices in multiple cities, and 7 virtual.

The members of the Placement Committee are Don Buffaloe (Chair) and Kerstin Leistner.

I would also like to thank SCALL for giving me the opportunity to work on this Committee. Both Kerstin and I would like to continue to serve on the Placement committee. This is adequate staffing given the current workload of the Placement committee, and we do not need additional committee members. Respectfully Submitted June 15, 2021

Don Buffaloe Chair, SCALL Placement Committee 2020/2021

Professional Development Committee

The 2020-2021 reports were compiled and posted in 2022. We were unable to locate a report for this committee.

Programs Committee

The 2020-2021 reports were compiled and posted in 2022. We were unable to locate a report for this committee.

Public Access to Legal Information Committee

On February 23, 2021, the PALI Committee presented a one-hour program via Zoom called Legal Research for Non-Law Librarians. The program was intended for non-law librarians in Riverside, San Bernardino, and Inyo Counties. The Directors of the Riverside and San Bernardino County Law Libraries invited the Committee to do this presentation based on interest from local public library directors.

Jenna Pontious of the Riverside County Law Library managed the advertising, technical logistics, and communication with attendees. The webinar covered the legal research support network for non-law librarians, resources that address the basics of legal research (including the Committee's Locating the Law), types of legal resources (primary, secondary, by branch of government), resources available through county law libraries, self-help resources, primary resources on California government websites, and differentiating between providing legal reference and giving legal advice.

Eleven people attended the entirety of the program. Most of the attendees came from public libraries. The presentation was recorded and made available through YouTube to library directors in the geographic area to share with their staffs.

Based on a survey after the webinar, for upcoming presentations the Committee is considering incorporating time for a Committee-led discussion amongst attendees regarding common experiences related to legal research as well as time for hands-on activities.

Public Relations Committee

Committee Member(s):

Jimmy Pak (Co-chair), jpak@law.uci.edu Sofia E. Vazquez-Duran (Co-chair), <u>sofia.vazquez-duran@lls.edu</u> Cara Johnson (member), <u>cjohnson@omm.com</u>

Review of 2020 Activities:

The Public Relations Committee has worked with our board liaison, Tiffani Willis, and other section leadership to support SCALL. Jimmy Pak and Sofia E. Vazquez-Duran became co-chairs of the Public relations Committee as of November 2020.

Our accomplishments from 2020 include:

- SCALL Holiday Party (January 2021) in collaboration with the Newsletter Committee

 Design visually appealing save-the-date for use in the SCALL Newsletter.
- SCALL Institute (February 2021) in collaboration with the Institute Committee
 - Design Institute Logo
 - Design and send visually appealing save-the-dates, registrations reminders & deadlines, invitation, guidelines, etc. leading up to day of event
 - Design visually appealing save-the-dates for use in the SCALL Newsletter.
- SCALL Spring Meeting (April 2021) in collaboration with the Newsletter Committee
 - \circ $\,$ Design visually appealing save-the-date for use in the SCALL Newsletter.
- SCALL Summer Meeting (June 2021) in collaboration with the Programs Committee
 - Design visually appealing save-the-dates and registration reminders.

Future Projects:

- Work on creating and integrating social media presence (i.e., LinkedIn) to provide an easy tool with which to better connect with regional and national law librarian association social media accounts.
- Investigate subscription graphic design tools to supplement current PR Committee capabilities.

Relations with Vendors Committee

The 2020 – 2021 SCALL year was another slow year for the Committee. Most questions and subsequent responses during the year involved issues related to the COVID pandemic. In general the questions were related to shipments and billing. In most cases, the questions were related to the difficulty in finding someone within the vendor's organization to respond to specific questions or issues. Those issues typically revolved around cancelling or delaying shipments, renegotiating contracts and possible delays or reductions in billing. CRIV forwarded contact information and/or directly contacted individuals with the various vendors to facilitate conversations. Member feedback, was mostly positive towards the efforts of vendors to work with SCALL members on their concerns and issues.

Respectfully submitted, Larry Meyer

Union List Committee

The Union List Committee had no chair or members.