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### From the President

By Caitlin Hunter Reference Librarian UCLA School of Law

It feels like yesterday that I was writing my first President's Column - and now I'm writing my last! The year has flown by and it's hard to believe that I'll soon be Past President. It's sad to end my time as president, but I feel fortunate to pass the gavel to such capable hands. In July, Joy Shoemaker will take on the role of SCALL President and Tanya Livshits will become SCALL's new Vice President/President -Elect. I've had the privilege of working with Tanya for several years now, both in her role as a SCALL Board Member and in her previous role as Programs Committee Co-Chair. She is smart, fun, and knows how to put together great events - I am looking forward to her Institute!

SCALL is also fortunate that Sangeeta Pal has agreed to run for re-election as Treasurer. When SCALL's Nominations Committee told me that Sangeeta was interested in running for Treasurer, I was thrilled. Sangeeta's careful attention to detail, lightning-fast responses to emails, and wise judgment about where to watch costs and where to spend have helped keep SCALL on track financially. I'm glad that we have her at the financial helm for another two years.

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Finally, I am delighted that Karen Skinner will be joining the SCALL Board as a Board Member. Karen has been an active SCALL member for years, volunteering for the Institute, the Community Youth Internship Experience Committee, and more. She was a longtime co-chair of the Membership Committee and, when the skyrocketing price of Member Clicks prompted SCALL to jump ship for Wild Apricot, she and her co-chair tackled the difficult task of transitioning our entire membership from one system to another. She is long overdue to join the Board and I'm glad that I'll have a chance to serve on the Board with her.

A huge thank you to Tanya, Sangeeta, and Karen for agreeing to run for office. And a huge thank you also to Erik Adams, Margaret Hall, Judy Davis, and Mark Gediman of the Nominations Committee for rounding up such a wonderful candidate pool.

You can view the candidates' full statements later in this issue. Polls open on May 8, so keep an eye on your inbox for your individual login information. I encourage everyone to vote!

I also encourage everyone to volunteer for a committee. The Programs Committee put together a wonderful Spring Program highlighting the work of SCALL committees, moderated by Serena Thomas and featuring presentations by chairs



of half a dozen SCALL committees. I was struck more than ever by the incredible scope and variety of the work that SCALL members do to provide educational events, support the community, and keep SCALL humming. I was also struck as al-

ways by how welcoming the SCALL community is, as chair after chair expressed their enthusiasm and openness to new members. For more details on the committees that participated, check out Sherry Leysen's program recap, later in this issue. If one of them sounds interesting, you can volunteer online!

Finally, keep an eye out for upcoming events. SCALL's annual Business Meeting will take place via Zoom on June 15 at 11 am. Invitations with a registration link will be sent out soon. WestPac is busily planning the Pacific Chapters Joint Reception, which will bring together SCALL, NOCALL, WestPac, and LLOPS at the 2023 AALL Annual Meeting in Boston. I hope that I'll see many of you there! I have had a wonderful time serving as SCALL President, and I look forward to still being an active member for many years to come. Thank you to everyone who has served on the Board with me, volunteered on committees, and to all the members who make SCALL such a vibrant and active organization. We have a wonderful community and I'm

glad to be a part of it!



The SCALL Library School Liaison Committee is pleased to announce that the following library school students have been awarded 2023 SCALL Scholarships:

Araceli Argueta (Los Angeles)

– San José State University

Linnea Schuster (San Diego)

- San José State University

Congratulations to these talented and ambitious MLIS candidates who have demonstrated a vested interest in law librarianship as a career! We look forward to their future contributions to our profession.





# SCALL Election May 8 – May 31



## **Meet the Candidates**

### Vice President / President Elect (threeyear term) — Tanya Livshits

Research Manager DLA Piper



I've been working in law libraries since my first fateful role as a 1L work study student working the circulation desk at the University of San Diego School of Law in 2006. Since then, I've worked in academic (University of Washington Gallagher Law Library), public (San Diego Law Library), government (United Nations), mid-size (Irell & Manella) and big law (DLA Piper, Holland & Knight) settings. I've loved every experience and grown from it. But most of all, I've loved the special law library community we have here in Southern California and nationally.

Throughout my career, I've been active in SCALL and AALL. I co-chaired the SCALL Programs Committee until 2021 and stayed on as a committee member after that. Since 2021, I've been on the SCALL Board as a Member at Large. I am

also currently serving as an AMPC Team Lead and will serve my second term next year. I am passionate about learning from other librarians and creating exciting programming both locally and nationally. I am honored to be nominated for the VP/President-Elect role and continue my passion for good programing with the SCALL Institute. Law librarianship has changed and improved my life in many ways. I look forward to continuing to give back.

## Treasurer (two-year term) — Sangeeta Pal

Access Services Librarian UCLA Law Library



#### Bio

Sangeeta Pal is the Access Services Librarian at the UCLA Law Library. She has been working at UCLA for more than twenty years first as a Library Assistant and later as a Project Manager at the Law Library. She graduated with a Bachelor's degree in Political Science and a Master's degree in Library and Information Studies, both from UCLA. Her professional interests include improving information access, collaboration within the Law School community, and outreach/engagement efforts to law students. Sangeeta has been a member of SCALL for ten years. She currently is the co-chair of the Community Youth Internship Experience Committee and SCALL treasurer.

#### Statement:

I am currently serving as SCALL Treasurer and have been in this role for the last eighteen months. It has been an extremely rewarding experience to be on the Executive Board and have the opportunity to manage SCALL's finances. My time in this position has allowed me to learn more about all of our committees and I truly have a new and profound appreciation for the work being done by SCALL members. At this point, I don't feel that my work as treasurer is complete, and I would very much like to be considered for a second term in this position. During my first term, I was able to learn the day-to-day work and responsibilities associated with





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serving as treasurer. I was also able to participate in establishing a credit card for SCALL to use for operational transactions. If elected, during my second term I would like to work on some added documentation to build on the amazing work of my predecessors. I would also like to pursue some avenues to improve the way we report and track our annual income and expenditures.

## Board Member (two-year term) — Karen Skinner

Senior Law Librarian – Research Services and Adjunct Assistant Professor of Law USC Law Library



I am entering my 14th year as a proud law librarian. I'm currently Senior Law Librarian – Research Services and Adjunct Assistant Professor of Law at the University of Southern California Law Library. Prior to joining USC, I worked as an attorney for Porter, Wright, Morris & Arthur LLP in Columbus, Ohio. I came to law librarianship after obtaining an MLS from Indiana University.

I believe professional service is core to law librarianship and makes each of us better legal information professionals. Demonstrating this commitment to service, I have served on numerous SCALL, AALL, and SIS committees. I was co-chair of the SCALL Membership Committee for 8 years (2013-2021), which included setting up a new online membership database and automated renewal notices. I have served as chair of the AALL Economic Status Committee (2014-2015) and the AALL Scholarship Awards Jury (2018-2019). Additionally, I was a member of the 2020 AALL Annual Meeting Program Committee and will resume working on that committee for the 2024 Annual Meeting. I have attended the AALL Management Institute and was selected as an AALL Leadership Acad-

emy fellow in 2020. Lastly, I have served on an executive board before, as Member-at-Large for RIPS-SIS (2018-2020).

I am thankful for the nomination and would be honored to serve as SCALL Member-at-Large. SCALL is one of the strongest chapters in AALL and I believe my previous committee work and professional service will help SCALL continue to thrive. Thank you for considering my candidacy.

## Spring Meeting Recap: Getting to Know SCALL Committees

By Sherry L. Leysen Reference Librarian UCLA Law Library

On April 27, 2023, the SCALL Membership gathered (remotely) for a highly informative session, *Getting to Know SCALL Committees*. Moderated by Serena Thomas, <u>Chairs or Co-Chairs</u> from ten SCALL committees shared past and present work highlights, along with their current needs for member involvement and participation.

#### **Community Youth Internship Experience Committee (CYIE)**

Kicking-off the tour was the CYIE, presented by Co-Chairs Diana Jacque and Sangeeta Pal. Jacque shared its history, having started three decades ago to support young people's aspirations and interests; the placement program now counts an impressive number of alumni. Typically, there are four to five host sites annually at a variety of law libraries. Pal shared that there are many opportunities for members to become involved, including support by donation (SCALL donation form), serving as a host site or intern sponsor, or by sharing new fundraising or program-promotion ideas.

#### **Government Relations**

Chair David McFadden presented the work, achievements, and current projects of Government Relations, formed in 1990. The committee has had enormous success, including its efforts surrounding S.B. 1507 (for which it received the AALL Presidential Certificate of Merit (1997)), and its successful advocacy of UELMA, for which it was awarded the AALL Robert L. Oakley Advocacy Award in 2015. Currently, the committee is focusing on county law librarian funding advocacy.

#### **SCALL Institute**

Following the remarkably successful 51st Annual SCALL Institute, SCALL Vice President (VP) and Institute Chair Joy Shoe-



maker described the extensive planning necessary to bring this event to fruition. The Institute is held annually, traditionally in February or March. Planning ramps-up during the summer months with major efforts taking place October through December. Inviting member participation, Shoemaker also described the work of the dedicated Institute subcommittees: Exhibitors, Local Arrangements, Publicity, Registration, Speakers, Special Advisors, Sponsors, Technology Support, and Website.

#### Newsletter

The Newsletter Committee is committed to keeping the Membership informed through the medium of this official SCALL publication. Co-chaired by Editors Jessica Whytock, Judy Davis, and Christina Tsou, Whytock described the committee's work. The newsletter publishes four issues a year, with an option for a special issue as requested or needed. Every issue includes the President's Column, Executive Board meeting notes, and a Treasurer's report. Other content focuses on community highlights: Membership news, a member or committee Spotlight, grant recipient articles covering the SCALL Institute and the AALL Meeting, and

Executive Board election coverage featuring candidate statements. Whytock invited topics covering innovative or interesting programs, professional development experiences, or technology usage in new or thought-provoking ways. Whytock and Davis also noted that the committee is seeking to fill its volunteer Business Manager role (assists with securing advertising and other duties). The Editors welcome writers who are excited about participating, and approach topics in diverse ways. One-off article proposals are considered, too.

#### **Nominations**

Encouraging leadership opportunities, Nominations Chair Erik Adams explained its focus: to identify Executive Board candidates and inspire them to seek office. Adams explained that most of Nominations' work is in December/January with a nominations call; members also are encouraged to run. Adams noted the requirements (current SCALL member; VP candidates also must be an AALL member and have service experience as a SCALL Executive Board Member or Committee Chair) and responsibilities (such as attending meetings and liaising with committees), with some positions, like the VP, having additional duties. During the Q&A, Adams confirmed that members can self-nominate.

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#### **Information Technology**

Handling both the website and the listserv, Chair Suzie Shatarevyan explained IT's vast responsibilities. Shatarevyan described how the website transitioned to different technologies over the last decade (from HTML to WordPress) and is due for another refresh. Shatarevyan invited members who enjoy technology, have expertise as a webmaster, or who simply like to tinker to consider committee participation.

#### **Programs**

Organizing four programs annually, Co-Chairs Michelle Gorospe and Alina Kelly shared Programs' work to bring camaraderie and information. The spring and fall programs focus on knowledge-sharing and learning. The Winter program is a holiday party. As SCALL members are located within a wide geographic area, the committee plans inperson gathering locations throughout the region (particularly for local meetups and summer programming). Gorospe and Kelly invited members to reach out and share ideas for learning and socializing noting, "There is always room to get involved."

#### **Awards**

Awards brings joy and recognition. Chair Jennifer Berman described its three award responsibilities: The Albert O. Brecht Lifetime Achievement Award, given to a retired or retiring member for their outstanding SCALL service; the Rohan Chapter Service Award also for outstanding service;

and the Vendor Service Award to recognize staunch SCALL support. Following nominations, the awards are given at the SCALL Annual Business Meeting.

#### **Professional Development**

Providing the Membership with learning opportunities on topics of interest relative to their day-to-day work and challenges is this committee's focus. Chair Mark Gediman encouraged members who are interested in planning targeted programming to share ideas and give input. Coming up: a Professional Development-hosted session on social media resources and research inspired by an article in the AALL Spectrum.

#### Membership

From processing member applications to collecting news, Membership, led by Co-Chairs Araceli Argueta and Yun (Angie) Ji So, holds a significant role. Coordinating with other committees and the Executive Board Treasurer Sangeeta Pal, and adding to SCALL's historical legacy, Argueta and So described their responsibilities and invited members to continue sharing their news and photos.

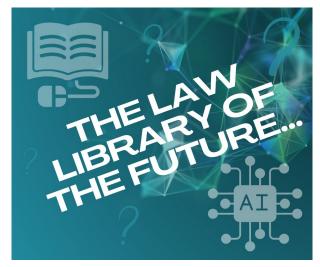
There was a recurring theme of Committee service among presenters: the work is always accompanied by a lot of fun and friendship, and as Nominations Chair Adam noted in the context of Board service, no one goes away unhappy! Members may contact Committee Chairs and Co-Chairs with any questions, and indicate a willingness to serve on the committees highlighted above—and others—using the Volunteer for a SCALL Committee poll (login required).

## A Successful Symposium from NELLCO

By Derek Antler Acquisitions Assistant University of San Diego

The website for <u>NELLCO</u> describes the entity as "an international consortium of more than 125 law libraries. ... NELLCO member libraries collaborate to make the most of their fixed resources; communicate effectively using the most up-to-date technologies; innovate by undertaking cutting edge projects and programs; and educate our members by helping them to discover and disseminate new ideas."

I registered for the <u>2023 Virtual NELLCO Symposium</u>, exploring the theme "Hindsight to Foresight: learning from the past to build toward the future." NELLCO held the symposium on five days in two consecutive weeks in March, an ar-



The 2023 Virtual NELLCO Symposium addressed such hot topics as the Law Library of the Future, which predicted what law libraries would be like in the year 2050 (Image courtesy of Judy Davis)



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rangement that allowed attendees to choose specific days and sessions to fit their schedules. This was my first time at a NELLCO Symposium, though I had recently attended a two-part NELLCO webinar on data visualization. Both experiences afforded a wealth of new information and ideas, consistent with the organization's mission. Included in the symposium registration were nearly twenty meetings—including participatory and interest group sessions, one lightning round session, and several vendor presentations and demos—along with a swag box filled with games, edible goods, and other giveaways. Soon after the last day of the symposium, organizers shared many presentation recordings, slides, and documents. The ability to revisit much of the symposium promotes continued learning and encourages further collaboration and networking with attendees.

In the opening session, "The Law Library of the Future," panelists provided participants with their predictions about the state of law libraries in the year 2050. Speakers focused on four general areas of discussion—space and facilities; services; staff; and collection and resources. The group also touched on the exciting potential yet alarming proliferation of artificial intelligence. Using the technology to predict its own effects, the moderator, Richard Buckingham, directed ChatGPT to "make some predictions about the law library of the future." The bot's results suggested largely positive outcomes, for example, more efficient services, more materials digitized, more access available to those materials, and more resources for self-represented litigants.

It was helpful to be reminded to take abundant photos of your law library and label, date, and file them for future reference. As seen in the presentation, this is an immediate and effective method to document a library's ongoing story. Numerous predictions followed from the 90-minute discussion. For instance, law libraries will be legal information hubs incorporating quiet spaces to reflect and rest, and workspaces for research and collaboration. The reference desk will remain a focal point and fixture, a place to go (and see) for help—and, as a physical barrier, a structural security feature for library staff. Just as mobile devices and remote digital resources have effected change with rapid development and improvement, AI will only increase in power and presence. Still, librarians will be here in 2050, developing Web content, teaching remotely and in-person, managing the operation and licensing of databases, and pursuing other goals that require strong IT expertise.

Presenters in another session traced the evolution of their university technical services department over a period of years and highlighted key points they had drawn from the transformation. Factors prompting departmental changes ranged from outmoded workflows to employee retirements



to global disruptions. The panelists collected several pieces of advice based on their experiences and made them available to symposium attendees. For example, a suggested action was to review existing procedures and workflows, bring them up to date, and create documentation. Doing this process alone yielded many benefits, including enhancing communication and collaboration with other departments, and generating professional development opportunities.

I attended several other sessions during the symposium, many of which incorporated moments of interactivity in the form of chats, polls, and quizzes. The session on using social media tools for outreach provided a welcome chance to participate in a Zoom breakout room to talk about apps such as Trello (for project management), Canva (for graphic design), and Capcut (for video editing).

In the interest group meetings I visited, Acquisitions and Collection Development on day two and Interlibrary Loan on day three, the leaders and participants demonstrated a collective level of knowledge and spirit of sharing that were impressive and inspiring.

Vendor representatives gave hands-on software demonstrations that displayed their expertise as they previewed new product features. As an example, in the demo of Practising Law Institute's PLI Plus, I learned how certain enhancements were implemented based on customers' requests. An example of feedback driving new features was the addition of new search filters—one that allows users to limit results to current editions, and another to limit by chapter type.

The symposium was highly enjoyable and instructive, and collegial to an equal degree.



This issue concludes our 50th Anniversary celebration of Volume 50 of the SCALL Newsletter. We offer a big thank you to Lisa Schultz who diligently combed through the SCALL Archives to take us on a historical journey of articles from the last fifty years. What a milestone that we've reached together as a chapter and as a community of colleagues. Thank you all for your service and your dedication to the work that we do as librarians. And most importantly, thank you all for fifty years of contributions and sharing in the newsletter. Happy Anniversary!

## Looking Back: SCALL Newsletter Archive

Lisa Schultz Head of Reference and Research Services Loyola Law School

My journey through the SCALL newsletter archives taught me one thing – the only constant is change. Our profession is always evolving, and the SCALL membership has always risen to the challenge. In the last 50 years, we've seen technology come (November 1993 featured a long article on this new thing called "the internet") and go (in 1987 we were amazed by technology that allowed us to send documents anywhere in the world over a phone line) and while we've been fielding questions about the future of our profession since at least the early 1970s, we're busier than we've ever been.

It seems fitting to end our retrospective with this article, which was originally published in the Nov. 1992 newsletter, celebrating SCALL's 40th Anniversary:

# SCALL...1973-1992—The Good, The Bad and the Ugly

Albert Brecht, SCALL President 1975-76

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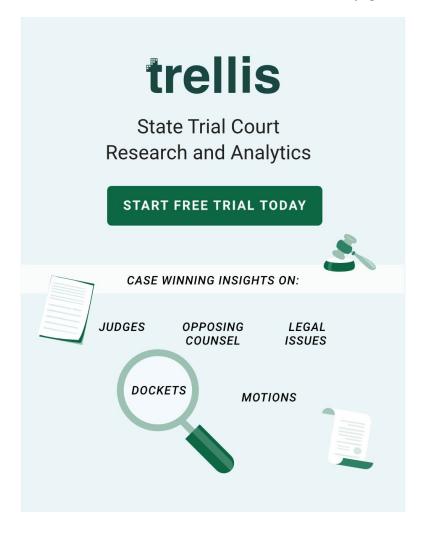
I joined the USC Law Library and SCALL in 1973. USC had a library science school. Many law librarians were concerned about the status of librarianship and law librarianship as a profession. Many felt their bosses did not seem to perceive how valuable they were to their institutions. Salary surveys were popular as a means of showing bosses that some law librarians were not being paid adequately (in their opinion).

Good attendance at a SCALL meeting was approximately 35 members. SCALL had little money in the bank. At every meeting we all stood and introduced ourselves. Finding members to serve as SCALL officers was frequently difficult. The SCALL annual institute had been revived or started (I can't remember which) and had very good attendance including many law librarians from northern California – there was no NOCALL (northern California chapter).

There were no computers in law libraries in 1973 (not till about 1978 as best I recall). There were extremely few law firm librarians. The biggest law firm in Los Angeles had 200 attorneys. Horse drawn carriages could be seen on the street occasionally(?).

SCALL began a free initial consulting service for law firms. Most often these firms were large enough to need a full-time law librarian. Law students had a reputation among law firms of lacking adequate skills in legal research and writing. Law firm librarians said it was not their job to teach legal research to these new law clerks. Academic law librarians said they teach legal research as best they can given the fact that law schools didn't require law

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students to perform frequent legal research and writing. Legal research and writing courses didn't receive much course credit or respect in law schools in the 1970s.

#### NOW

SCALL has over 500 members and most meetings have large attendance. SCALL Bylaws require that the nominating committee try and get two nominees for each SCALL office. Frequently, it is a problem to get more than one candidate to run for office. The SCALL Institute is an institution with very good attendance including many law librarians from San Diego. There is no SDALL (San Diego chapter) but law librarians in San Diego frequently meet during the year in San Diego. AALL annual meetings now have over 1,500 active AALL members in attendance.

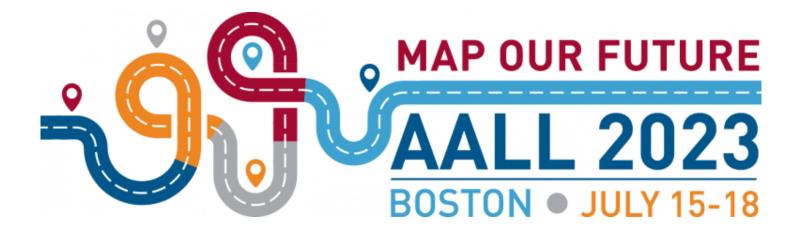
Many law librarians are concerned about the status of librarianship and law librarianship. They are concerned that their bosses do not appreciate how important they are to the organization. Employees in charge of computing often seem to have surpassed many law librarians on the organization chart and in the pay check. Salary surveys are frequently conducted to show that some law librarians are not paid adequately (in their opinion).

There are many law firm librarians. The largest law firm in Los Angeles has over 800 attorneys in its downtown office. They are the largest segment of membership in AALL but academic law librarians far outnumber law firm librarians at AALL annual meetings and volunteer in much greater numbers to serve on AALL committees.

Computers are everywhere – work and home. Some law librarians now report to Information Czars (heads of computing). Law librarians are frequently asked if books will still be needed in ten years and if law librarians will be needed.

Law students have a reputation among law firms of lacking adequate skills in legal research and writing. An increasing number of law firm librarians teach legal research, law firm style, to new law clerks. Lexis and Westlaw employees routinely teach Lexis and Westlaw, law firm style, to new law clerks. An increasing number of academic law librarians are teaching an optional advanced legal research class after the first year required legal research course. Harvard Law Library is talking about trying to do something meaningful about legal research training for first year law students. A significant number of academic law librarians turn all the training of law students on Lexis and Westlaw over to employees of these companies. Some of the academic law librarians say they have too much to do to train students on Lexis and Westlaw. Some of the law librarians say they have more important things to do. Some law students never hear much of anything about Lexis and Westlaw except from employees of the companies and these students use telephones with 800 numbers in the Lexis/ Westlaw rooms to contact the companies or if they have questions about query formation or other questions about Lexis and Westlaw.

USC has no library science school. Many library science schools in the country have closed and some continue to close. Some lesser ranked colleges and universities (non-research universities) are creating librarianship programs or courses connected with a program at a sister librarianship school. Some Deans of librarianship schools have no library degree and no library experience. At one prestigious librarianship school the new Dean is an Engineer; the faculty at the librarianship school are reported to have supported the appointment of the non-libriarian Dean. There are more law librarianship programs and courses offered at librarianship schools. Two or three librarianship schools have full-time librarianship school faculty members who hold law and library degrees.



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# Executive Board Meeting Minutes — January 30, 2023

By Suzie Shatarevyan

A virtual meeting of the SCALL Executive Board was held on Monday, January 30, 2023, via Zoom. A quorum being present, President Caitlin Hunter called the meeting to order at 3:07pm.

In attendance were: President: Caitlin Hunter

Immediate Past President: Patrick Sullivan

Vice President: Joy Shoemaker Treasurer: Sangeeta Pal Secretary: Suzie Shatarevyan

Executive Board Members: Sherry Leysen and Tanya Livshits

- 1. Approval of Minutes from the September 28, 2022, Executive Board Meeting
- Suzie Shatarevyan distributed the minutes of the September 28 Executive Board Minutes for review in advance of the meeting.
- Caitlin Hunter moved to approve the minutes as distributed. Sherry Leysen seconded. The motion carried.
- 2. Treasurer's Report
- Treasurer Sangeeta Pal reported that as of November 9, 2022, SCALL has a bank balance of \$37,468.02; a Petty Cash balance of \$84.75, and no balance in PayPal. The total balance as of November 9, 2022, is \$37,552.77.
- b. Tanya Livshits moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Patrick Sullivan seconded. The motion carried.
- 3. Secretary's Report
- a. Secretary Suzie Shatarevyan reported that the SCALL Wilshire Mailbox renewal term is from November 1, 2022, through November 1, 2023, and renewed in the amount of \$120. Our account has a forwarding credit of \$38.26 and mail forwarding is running smoothly. We are instructed to add funds once our balance dips below \$45. The Treasurer has been given notice to add funds.
- b. Caitlin Hunter moved to approve the Secretary's Report. Joy Shoemaker seconded. The motion carried.
- 4. Vice President's Report
- a. Vice President Joy Shoemaker reported that the SCALL Institute is at the Mission Inn, Riverside. We hit our room block; the speakers are set. Finalizing the agenda.
- b. There was discussion on having a board dinner vs. dine arounds on Friday night of the Institute. Pros and cons

- were shared by various board members. Dine arounds require prior reservations and it's a big ask to plan. SCALL has historically paid for the hosted dinner for the board as well as speakers and VIP guests.
- There was a question regarding paying for speaker costs – travel arrangements are made by speakers and Treasurer will provide reimbursement.
- d. Caitlin Hunter moved to approve the Vice President's report. Sangeeta Pal seconded. The motion carried.
- 5. President's Report
- a. President Caitlin Hunter did not provide a President's report.
- Patrick Sullivan made a motion to approve. Tanya Livshits seconded. The motion carried.
- 6. Committee Updates
- a. SCALL Government Relations: Chair David McFadden reports that "It is early in the legislative session and so far I haven't seen any bills that we are tracking. I've been having our newest GRC member Rachel Green repost AALL announcements. I've been contacted by Diane Rodriguez, Assistant Director of the San Francisco Law Library and current NOCALL GRC chair. They will be having their first meeting later in January and will be in touch for any possible things that we can do jointly."
- b. Library School Liaison Committee: For the fall, 4 library students requested and were assigned mentors. For the spring, Stephanie Anayah, chair of the Library School Liaison Committee, will begin publicizing the 2023 SCALL Scholarship soon.
- c. Relations with Vendors: Larry Meyer, Chair of Relations with Vendors, reported one item via CCCLL CRIV and related to cataloging of GPO records. He was able to put the librarian into contact with someone at GPO that oversees their program providing catalog records through MARCIVE at no charge to the participating FDLP Library.

#### 7. Old Business

- a. David McFadden alerted Caitlin that SCALL's current bylaws do not allow SANDALL members outside of SCALL's geographic boundaries to vote in SCALL elections. San Diego is included in SCALL's geographic boundaries, so this would affect a small handful of SANDALL members who are in Northern California or out-of-state, but were able to join SANDALL under its looser geographic boundaries. SCALL could address this by either amending the bylaws to grandfather in the SANDALL members or by confirming that the affected members are OK with not voting.
- a) There are 3 affected members.
- b) The proposed bylaw amendment would add the itali-

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cized blue language to III(2)(f): "In unclear or exceptional cases, the membership categories and the geographical boundaries may be determined or waived on a case-by-case by the Board."

- c) The board voted on whether to:
- i. Amend the bylaws
- a. Everyone on the Board is in favor of amending the bylaws as proposed above.
- ii. Grandfather in the affected members or have Caitlin ask if the members are OK with not voting.
- a. Everyone on the Board is favor of amending the bylaws to grandfather in the SANDALL members.
- 8. New Business
- a. WestPac President Anna Blaine has proposed a joint annual meeting and wondered if SCALL might be interested in holding their Fall '23 meeting as a joint annual meeting with WestPac. San Diego was chosen as their location for this year and their Past President, Cory Lenz, suggested that a joint meeting might be desirable for both groups. Suggested dates are 9/29-9/30 or 10/6-10/7 and they have a Local Arrangements Committee made up of members from University of San Diego and the San Diego Law Library that's available for on-site arrangements.
- A. Do we want to do this?
- B. Instead of or in addition to our normal Spring Institute?
- C. Should we invite NOCALL to participate, too?
- b. The board members had a lot of questions and there was no decision made. Caitlin and Joy will be reaching out to gather more information.
- 9. Motion to Adjourn
- a. A motion to adjourn was made by Caitlin Hunter and Tanya Livshits seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 3:46pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Suzie Shatarevyan SCALL Secretary 2022-2024







## **Membership News**

By Angie So and Araceli Argueta

**SCALL Newsletter** 

#### Welcome, new member of SCALL!

• Cameron Lazo of LMU Loyola Law School

#### Other membership news:

- Serena Thomas just got a new job as a research librarian at Cornerstone Research in LA/Hybrid. With higher pay and more remote work, Serena will start her new position on May 2nd.
- {Past President} Patrick Sullivan recently tied the knot with Stephanie, and they are deliriously happy, living near the shore in beautiful Huntington Beach and watching their granddaughter at every possible opportunity. Stephanie makes amazing sourdough bread every week, while it is Patrick's responsibility to deliver to his beloved an endless supply of fresh lattes.



Patrick and Stephanie (Photo courtesy of Patrick Sullivan)

Holly Gale participated on a career panel for her alma mater's undergraduate program this past month. The panel was for Careers in the Legal Field for UCLA's Philosophy Department. The department hosts panels every two weeks or so that feature alumni. Holly commented that it was fun to share how great law librarianship is with students. See more here: Being in the World: Careers in the Legal Field -Department of Philosophy - UCLA.



Mark Gediman has an article, co-authored with Kevin Miles
of Norton Rose Fulbright, in the current issue of AALL
Spectrum! Read article here: Practical Competitive
Intelligence: Socially Competitive: <u>Using Social Media for</u>
Background Research.



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Date Posted	Job Description	Location
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April 18	Librarian; Legal Education; LA Law Library	Los Angeles
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March 7	Reference Librarian; San Diego Law Library	San Diego
January 5	Director; Chapman School of Law	Orange
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 \$43,538.09

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 \$0.00

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 \$84.75

 Total Balance as of May 1, 2023
 \$45,622.84

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Totals	\$45,250.00	\$37,747.25	\$32,374.82	\$50,622.43	\$5,372.43

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