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**APPROVAL OF NEW BYLAWS**
(VOTE FOR ONE)

01. [ ] YES

02. [ ] NO

**1ST VICE-PRESIDENT/PRESIDENT-ELECT**
(VOTE FOR ONE)

03. [ ] DANHOF, PEGGY (MARGARET) J., IL

04. [ ] ROBERTSON, MABLE W., NY

**2ND VICE-PRESIDENT**
(VOTE FOR ONE)

05. [ ] GRAIFMBERG, DIANE, TX

06. [ ] MOSLEY, ROSE, IL

These nominations have been made in accordance with the Division’s Bylaws.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE
Marguerite E. Ritchey
Ann Frabrizio
G. Victor Johnson
Bylaws Amendment for Ratification. In accordance with Article IX, Section 1, of the ALTA Bylaws, the following amendments to the Bylaws have been approved by the ALTA Board of Directors for referral to the Membership for ratification.

Explanation for the Amendment:
At the 2006 Midwinter Meeting, the ALTA Board of Directors authorized the creation of a Restructuring Task Force (RSTF) to examine ALTA’s current market position and to recommend changes that will create a stronger and more responsive national organization for library trustees and advocates. At the 2007 Midwinter Meeting, the RSTF delivered its final report, which was adopted by the Board. The Bylaws changes listed below cover two main areas:

Board and Committees
Currently, there are 22 members on the ALTA Board, and 15 committees. The proposed new Board will have 11 members. There will be 15 new ALTA committees organized into four committee clusters. The clusters would be formed from committees with similar charges, such as advocacy and member education. Each committee cluster will have a representative on the Board. The new Board and committee structure will better meet the changing needs of the association and will give members more opportunities to volunteer and impact ALTA.

State Representatives
The Board also recommends the development of an assembly of representatives from all 50 states. The state representatives would provide a nationwide network for the exchange of information on activities and issues related to library trusteeship and advocacy, as well as facilitate two-way communication between members and state library organizations at the state and regional level, and ALTA at the national level.

We believe that, taken together, the Bylaws changes below will allow ALTA the leadership and flexibility to develop new products for its members, ensure its future viability, enhance its national visibility, and increase its membership. We urge you to vote yes.

Anne Sterling, President, on behalf of the Board of Directors.

Note: Voters can view the complete set of current Bylaws and Proposed Bylaws at http://www.ala.org/ala/alta/rstf/restructure.htm.

The new text is underscored, and deletions are in [brackets].
BYLAWS
of the
ASSOCIATION FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEES AND ADVOCATES
a Division of the American Library Association

Article I. Name

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be the Association for Library Trustees and Advocates, a division of the American Library Association.

Article II. Purposes and Responsibilities

Section 1. The Association for Library Trustees and Advocates is interested in the development of effective library service for all people in all types of communities and in all types of libraries. The purposes and responsibilities of the Association are to develop and promote effective library service for all people.

Section 2. The Association for Library Trustees and Advocates has specific responsibility for:
   a. A continuing and comprehensive educational program to enable library trustees to discharge their responsibilities in a manner best fitted to benefit the public and the libraries they represent.
   b. Continuous study and review of the activities of library trustees.
   c. Cooperation with other units within ALA concerning their activities relating to trustees.
   d. Encouraging participation of trustees in other appropriate divisions of ALA.
   e. Representation and interpretation of the activities of library trustees in contacts outside the library profession, particularly with national organizations and governmental agencies.
   f. Promotion of strong state and regional trustee organizations.
   g. Efforts to secure and support funding for libraries.
   h. Assuring equal access of information to all segments of the population.
   i. Encouraging participation of trustees in trustee/library activities, at local, state, regional and national levels.

Article III. Membership
**Section 1.** The members of this Association shall be those members of the American Library Association who designate the Association for Library Trustees and Advocates as specified in the ALA Bylaws and who are or have been library trustees, librarians, and any persons who subscribe to the purposes of this Association.

**Article IV. Officers and Executive Committee**

**Section 1. [Titles] Composition.** The officers of this Association shall be a president, a [1st vice-president/1president-elect, and a [2nd] vice-president.

**Section 2. Eligibility.** All officers shall be [personal] members of ALA/ALTA [and preferably shall be or have been trustees of public libraries.]

**Section 3. Duties.** Except as otherwise provided in the bylaws, the duties of the officers are such as provided in the parliamentary authority adopted by the Association.

a. **President.** The president shall preside at all meetings of the board of directors and the Association and shall perform all duties incident to the office of president and such other duties as may be prescribed by the board of directors.

   The president shall appoint all standing and special committees except the Nominating Committee. The president shall serve as an ex-officio member of all committees except the [committee on nominations and on juries on awards] nominating committee and the awards committee.

   The president shall present an annual report of the activities of the Association at the annual membership meeting. The report shall be filed with the permanent records of the Association in the headquarters of the American Library Association.

b. **[1st Vice-President/1President-Elect.** The [1st vice-president/1president-elect shall serve as an aide to the president and shall perform such duties as assigned by the president and/or the board of directors. [The 1st vice-president/president-elect shall select the Nominating Committee.] In the absence of the president, the [1st vice-president/1president-elect shall perform the duties of the president.

c. **[2nd] Vice-President.** The [2nd] vice-president shall serve as liaison with ALTA representatives to ALA. [affiliates and as coordinator of the regional vice-presidents.]

**Section 4. Executive Committee** The Executive Committee [of this association shall be composed of the president, 1st vice-president/president-elect, past president, the 2nd vice-president] shall consist of the officers, the past president, the ALTA councilor, and the executive director who serves non-voting ex-officio.
Section 5. Duties. The Executive Committee shall be constituted to facilitate the actions of the Board of Directors between Board meetings and to consider such items that require interim decisions for the Association. It shall review agendas for the meetings of the Board of Directors, and for the Annual Business Meeting of the Association, and may make recommendations to the Board regarding items reviewed and under consideration. It shall report upon its work at the regular meetings of the Board.

Section 6. Terms of Office. [The term of each office shall be for one year and shall begin at the adjournment of the Annual Conference. The 1st vice-president/president-elect shall serve for a term of one year and upon completion of the term shall succeed to the office of president.] Executive committee members shall serve until the adjournment of the Annual Conference at which their successors are announced.

a. The president shall serve a one year term.

b. The president-elect shall be elected for a one year term.

c. The vice president shall be elected to a one year term.

d. The ALTA Councilor shall be elected to a three year term.

Article V. Board of Directors

Section 1. Composition. [The board of directors shall consist of the elected officers, ALTA Councilor, council administrators, regional vice-presidents, the immediate past president and the PLA representative. The executive director of ALTA and the editor of the official membership publication shall be non-voting members.] The board of directors shall consist of the officers, the past president, the division councilor, the committee coordinators, a PLA representative, and a COSLA representative. The executive director of ALTA and the editor of the official membership publication shall be non-voting ex-officio members. All members of the board shall be members of ALTA.

Section 2. Duties. The board of directors shall manage the affairs of the Association in accordance with the bylaws and policies and shall have authority to transact business between meetings. Business may be transacted by mail, [or] phone, or via the Internet. A majority of voting members present or participating shall constitute a quorum.

Section 3. Appointments.

a. [Council Administrators. There shall not be more than five. The president shall appoint a council administrator for each council as may be constituted by the board and shall fill vacancies. The president, with the approval of the board shall designate which committees each council will have under its
jurisdiction. The council administrator shall serve a one (1) year term and is eligible for one (1) reappointment to the same position for not more than three successive terms. No other member of the board shall serve as a council administrator except as a temporary appointment. But in no event will the board member so serving remain in that position beyond the next conference. The duties of the council administrator are to coordinate and supervise the functions of committees in the council, maintain liaison with committee chairpersons, and other members of the board.] **Committee Coordinators.** The president-elect shall appoint a committee coordinator for each committee cluster as may be constituted by the board and shall fill vacancies. The board shall designate which committees are within each committee cluster. The committee coordinator shall serve up to a two (2) year term and is eligible for one (1) reappointment. The duties of the committee coordinator are to coordinate and supervise the functions of committees in the cluster, maintain liaison with committee chairpersons, and other members of the board.

b. **[Regional Vice-Presidents.** Regional vice-presidents, one from each of such geographical regions of the United States as shall be designated by the board, shall be appointed by the president in consultation with the board to a two (2) year staggered term (*when possible*). Adjustments in boundaries of regions may be made by the board no more than once in two (2) years.

The primary responsibility of each regional vice-president is to aid the trustee organizations and their officers in all the states in his or her jurisdiction. In the event a vacancy occurs in the post of regional vice-president, the president shall appoint an ALTA member from the region to serve the remaining term. Regional vice-presidents may serve no more than two (2) consecutive full terms.

[c. **Immediate Past President.** In the event the immediate past president is unable to serve, the position shall be filled by appointment by the president, preferably from among the past presidents of ALTA.]

d. **PLA Representative.** The Public Library Association shall be invited to name a representative to serve a one year term on the board of directors and this representative shall have voting privileges.

e. **COSLA Representative.** The Chief Officers of State Library Agencies shall be invited to name a representative to serve a one year term on the board of directors and this representative shall have voting privileges.

[Section 4. **ALTA Councilor.** Two candidates for ALTA Councilor will be nominated by the ALTA Nominating Committee and approved by the ALTA board. These names will appear on the ALTA ballot once every three (3) years and the one elected will become the ALTA Councilor from the ALTA Board of directors and serve on the ALTA Executive Board.]
Committee. The ALTA Councilor will be a voting member of the board of directors. In case of resignation or early termination of service as ALTA Councilor for any reason, the ALTA board of directors will fill the remaining term by board vote.

Section 5. Minutes of the Board. The minutes of annual and midwinter board meetings and the membership meetings shall be the responsibility of the executive director of ALTA and shall be filed in the ALTA office. Copies of the minutes of the previous board meetings(s) shall be sent to board members within 30 days of the previous meeting.

Section 6. Vacancies. [In the event of the inability of the president to serve, the 1st vice-president/president-elect shall become president and shall also serve his/her own term as president. In the event of any other vacancies of the officers or on the board of directors, the executive board will elect a replacement to serve the un-expired term.] In the event of the inability of the president to serve, the president-elect shall become president and shall also serve his/her own term as president. In the event of vacancy in any other elected office, the board of directors will elect a person from among the ALTA membership to serve the un-expired term.

Section 7. Duties of Members. Each member of the Board of Directors shall perform the specific duties attached to membership on the Board. In the case of continued failure of a director to participate in the deliberations of the Board, or if a director is unable to fulfill the responsibilities of his or her office as defined in the Association bylaws, that director's office may be declared vacant by a three-fourths vote of the Board of Directors.

Section 8. Executive Director. The executive director shall be appointed by the executive director of the American Library Association with the concurrence of the ALTA Board of Directors. The executive director shall be responsible for all management functions of the ALTA office; shall administer the policies of the association as prescribed by the board; shall submit reports as required by the board; shall serve as an ex-officio member without vote; and shall perform such duties as may be assigned to this position by the board; and the American Library Association.

Article VI. ALTA State Representatives

Section 1. Composition. Each state shall be entitled to at least one representative.

Section 2. Duties. To provide a nationwide network for the exchange of information on activities and issues related to library trusteeship and advocacy; to facilitate two-way communication between members and state library organizations at the state/regional level and the ALTA board at the national level; to promote leadership opportunities for ALTA members, in addition to the existing track of committee appointments and elected positions within the ALTA divisional structure.
Section 3. **Appointments.** The state library organizations, in consultation with the ALTA president-elect, shall appoint state representatives.

Section 4. **Term.** State representatives shall be appointed for up to a two (2) year term with up to two re-appointments.

**Article [VI.] VII. Nominations and Elections**

Section 1. **Nominating Committee.** The [1st vice-president/president-elect shall appoint a nominating committee of five (5) members, including the chair, at the time of the midwinter meeting the year before the election, said committee to include not more than two (2) members of the board of directors. [and not more than one member from the same ALTA region.]

Section 2. **Duties.** The Nominating Committee shall meet at Midwinter and Annual Conference the year preceding the election. The Nominating Committee shall submit to the ALTA board, at the final meeting of the board at Annual Conference the year preceding the election, at least two candidates for the following offices in this Association: [1st vice-president/president-elect; [2nd] vice president; and every three years [beginning in 1979], two candidates for ALA Councilor of ALTA. Nominees must be [personal] members of ALA/ALTA.

The written consent of all nominees and the report of the nominating committee shall be filed with the executive director of the Association in accordance with procedures used in the election of ALA officers, but no later than November 15 of the year prior to the election. [The executive director will arrange for publication of the slate and biographical sketches in the official membership publication of the ALA/ALTA and for the distribution of the ballots.] The executive director will arrange for publication and distribution of the official ballot in cooperation with ALA. All ALTA members will have the opportunity to vote for all candidates running for office.

Section 3. **Nominations by Petition.** Additional nominations may be made by petition signed by no less than twenty-five (25) members of ALTA and filed with the executive director not less than four (4) months before the Annual conference. No person may be nominated by petition who is not a [personal] member of ALA/ALTA and whose written consent has not been filed with the [executive director of the Association] Nominating Committee.

Section 4. **Election.** The election shall be by mail or electronic vote in accordance with ALA procedure. A plurality of all votes cast will be necessary to constitute an election. In case of a tie vote, the successful candidate will be determined by lot. All elections will be certified by the ALA Elections Committee. [The Nominating Committee shall function in event of a special election.]
Article [VII.] VIII. Committees

Section 1. Authorization. Standing and special committees may be authorized by the board of directors and may be discontinued in the same manner. Special committees may also be authorized by the president to meet emergency needs.

All standing committees shall be assigned to [councils] clusters and shall report to a [council administrator] committee coordinator. Special committees may be assigned to a [council] cluster and then shall report to a[council administrator] committee coordinator. The duties of each committee shall be determined by the board and shall be stated in the division manual.

Section 2. Appointments. [Members of standing committees shall be appointed by the president to staggered terms not to exceed two (2) years and are eligible for one reappointment. No person shall serve on more than THREE committees. Committee chairpersons shall be appointed by the president to one (1) year terms and shall be eligible for reappointment to the same position for not more than three (3) successive terms.] Beginning February 1 of the year preceding his or her presidency, the president-elect shall appoint members and chairs to fill vacancies or expiring terms on all Division committees, who shall take office at the conclusion of the annual meeting when the president-elect becomes president, except as otherwise specified in the ALTA Bylaws or as otherwise provided in the authorization of the committee. The president-elect shall also have the authority, with the approval of the Executive Committee, to remove Division representatives or members of Division committees.

[The conference program committee shall be responsible for planning on a three (3) year basis and appointments to this committee only may be for a three (3) year term at the option of the president. The conference program committee chairperson may be appointed to a two (2) year term at the option of the president with the advice and consent of the 1ST vice-president/ president-elect.]

Section 3. Term. Members and Chairs of standing committees shall be appointed to staggered terms not to exceed two (2) years, and are eligible for up to two (2) reappointments. No person shall serve on more than three standing committees.

Section [3.] 4. Work of Committees. All committee reports, resolutions, and recommendations involving policy shall be referred to the board of directors for action.

Article [VIII.] IX. Meetings

Section 1. Membership. There shall be an annual membership meeting in connection with the Annual Conference of ALA. [Twenty-five (25) members shall constitute a quorum.]
Section 2. Board of Directors. Meetings of the board of directors shall be held in connection with the Midwinter Meeting and Annual Conference of ALA, and at other times at the call of the president. A majority of the members of the board shall constitute a quorum.

Section 3. Executive Committee. Meetings of Executive Committee shall be held in connection with the Midwinter Meeting and Annual Conference of ALA, and at other times at the call of the president. The Executive Committee also meets in the fall. A majority of the voting members of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum.

Section 4. Committees. Meetings of the committees shall be held in connection with ALA Midwinter Meetings, [and] Annual Conferences, and at other times at the call of the committee chairperson.

Article [IX.] X. Amendments

Section 1. These bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members [present and] voting [at the annual membership meeting of the Association] in the annual election. [The vote may be taken by mail and shall be considered passed if two-thirds of those members responding vote for the amendment.] The proposed amendment must have approval of the board of directors before being presented for vote, or must have originated by written petition of not fewer than fifty (50) members and, in either case, notice of the proposed change must be given to the membership no less than one month before such vote.

Article [X.] XI. Parliamentary Authority

Section 1. The Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure, third edition, by Alice Sturgis, shall govern this association in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the Bylaws of the Association for Library Trustees and Advocates or the American Library Association.

Adopted June 1980
Revised June 1984
Revised July 1987
Revised July 1992
Revised June 1996
Revised June 1999

BIographies

Assistant, Enterprise Rent-A-Car, 2005-Present; Retired/High School Honors Gov’t & History Teacher, Valley View School District 365u, 1974-2004. **ALA Activities:** ALTA: Member: Local Arrangements Committee, 2006-Present; ALTA: Member: Membership Committee, 2002-Present; ALTA: Observer: Restructuring Committee Meeting/New Orleans, 2006-06; ALTA: Vice Chairman: Intellectual Freedom Committee, 2006-06; ALTA: acting chairman: Intellectual Freedom Committee, 2005-06; ALTA Gale Conference Attendance Award, 2001-01. **Offices Held Outside Of Ala:** Prairie Area Library System Board: Treasurer, 2006-Present; Prairie Area Library System Board: Board Member, 2004-Present; Fountaindale Public Library Board: President, 2002-Present; Fountaindale Public Library Board: Trustee, 1998-Present; Dupage Township/Will County: Supervisor, 1993-97; Village of Bolingbrook: Village Trustee, 1987-93; Fountaindale Public Library Board: Trustee, 1984-88; University of Louisville Chicago Alumni Association: Charter President, 1985-86; Illinois Community Education Association: President, 1985-86; Village of Bolingbrook: Village Trustee, 1979-83; Bolingbrook Federated Women's Club: President, 1975-76. **Membership In Other Professional And Related Organizations:** Illinois Library Association, 2000-Present; Phi Delta Kappa Educational Association, 1987-Present; Kappa Delta Pi Honorary Education Association, 1971-Present; Illinois Community Education Association, 1981-2000; **Publications:** My Work Has All Been Collaborative Within The Educational Setting, Political Realm Or Library Policies And Procedures., **Honors, Awards, Prizes, Medals, Citations:** Bolingbrook Citizen of the Year, 1998; Distinguished Service Award for the Illinois Community Education Association, 1987; Outstanding Teacher Award, 1979; 1993; Distinguished Service Award for Bolingbrook, 1977. **Accomplishments:** My body of work involves volunteering with community groups to achieve their goals and objectives for community improvement, introducing programs that will provide scholarships for young people to attend college, revising bylaws for many community and political groups, writing evaluation tools to professionalize and measure the library director's performance, revising and editing the planning and zoning codes of my local community, writing scripts for televised appearances, connecting the township and the school district together to provide an alternate school for at risk youth, developing a code of best practices for teaching social studies in the local high school, developing a plan of action to promote, pass and utilize a referendum to build a new library in my community.

**Statement:** The time for action is now!! I am very excited to be running for an ALTA office in this time of reflection, proposal, adoption and change. ALTA is a premier organization within ALA.I have been concerned with the need for increased membership and involvement of our members. We need to make the necessary changes to bring us in line with the changing needs of the association. I feel restructuring the board and creating committee clusters will help us reach greater efficiency in the organization as well as getting others involved in our mission. I view the proposed new categories of membership as away to open up our base and bring in new people, new ideas, new
products and new developments. I look forward to working with a "general assembly" of states to achieve our ALTA goals. Thank you.

04. ROBERTSON, MABLE W., Education: Pace University, MS Degree, Administration and Supervision, 1974; Fort Valley State University, BS Degree, English, 1965. **Current Position:** Trustee, Brooklyn Public Library, 1993-Present. **Previous Positions:** Educational Consultant, Department Of Education, 2000-Present; Assistant Director, Council Of School Supervisors and Administrators Local 1 AFL-CIO, 1998-2000; Deputy Superintendent, NYC Board Of Education, 1996-97; Principal, NYC Board Of Education, 1980-97; Teacher, NYC Board Of Education, 1967-80. **ALA Activities:** ALTA: 2nd Vice President, 2006-Present; ALTA: Member, Education Committee, 2004-Present; BCALA: Member, 2004-Present; REFORMA: Member, 2005-06; ALTA Member And Chair, Legislative Committee, 2003-06; ALTA: Advocacy Committee, 2001-06; ALTA: Member, SOS Committee, 2001-03; ALTA: Member And Presenter, Intellectual Freedom Committee, 2000. **Offices Held Outside Of Ala:** PNBC: 2nd Vice President, Women's Dept. Eastern Region, 2006-Present; National Alliance of Black School Educators: Member and Candidates For Chair-Elect 2007. Retired Educators Commission, 2003-Present; Association of Black Educators of New York, Inc.: President-Elect, President-Elect and Life Member, 1980-Present; Council of School Supervisors and Administrators (CSA): Chair, Legislative Committee, 1990-2007; New York State Association of Library Boards (NYSALB): Member, Board of Directors, 2000-04; Heart Of Brooklyn: Member, Board Of Directors, . **Membership In Other Professional And Related Organizations:** Alpha Kappa Alpha- Delta Rho Omega Chapter, 2004-Present; Phi Delta Kappa -St. John's University Chapter, 2004-Present; NY State Retired Teachers' Association, 1999-Present; The National Council Of Negro Women, Inc., 1996-Present; NAACP, 1994-Present; NY Alliance of Black School Educators, 1985-Present; NY State Association For The Education of Young Children, 2001-05. **Publications:** Contributor, "Legislative Update, "NYSALB Trustee," NYSALB Trustee, 2002; Contributor, ALTA’S The Voice (America's Library Trustees and Advocates). **Honors, Awards, Prizes, Medals, Citations:** Certificate of Appreciation Presented By Brooklyn Public Library , December, 2006; Certificate of Appreciation Presented By Borough President Marty Markowitz For 13 Years of Service as a BPL Trustee, December 19, 2006; Certificate of Appreciation For Distinguished and Dedicated Service, 1997; Church Women United, Inc. Education Award to the Principal of public school 399, 1995. **Accomplishments:** Mable W. Robertson was appointed Trustee in 1993 to the Brooklyn Public Library by then Borough President Howard Golden and reappointed in 2002 and 2006 by Borough President Marty Markowitz. Mrs. Robertson has served in the following positions: Secretary to the board of trustees, member of BPL’S executive committee, chair of BPL’S library operations Committee and Library Advancement Subcommittee on Community Relations and Advocacy and member of the finance and audit committees. Mrs. Robertson is a former principal and educator of the NYC Board of Education for over 30 years and has positively impacted
the lives of students at every level of New York City's educational system. Ms. Robertson is a member of ALA, ALTA, NYLA, BCALA and former Director of NYSALB. She has earned the respect of her union colleagues and served as Delegate to the New York City central labor council. Ms. Robertson has expressed her views in articles published in NYSALB newsletters, ABENY Newsletters and in our ALTA Newsletter, The Voice.

Statement: As a candidate for 1st Vice President of ALTA, I would like to share this statement of my professional concerns. Having served as trustee at Brooklyn Public Library in Brooklyn, NY for thirteen years, I have grave concerns for libraries, the work of ALTA and the American Library Association. It continues to be my desire to work to make ALTA a stronger division of ALA Having sat on the side lines and watched for far too many years, I know, without a doubt, that it requires commitment and dedication to be a change agent. It is my desire to be a part of the solution and address issues that we face in our division and in ala as well. If elected, I will address concerns regarding trustee advocacy, finance, lack of communication and collaboration and encourage diversity throughout ala. Most importantly, I want to make the voices of trustees heard and respected.

05. Graifemberg, Diane, Education : Cosumnes River College, Sacramento, CA, AA, Brookhaven College, Dallas, TX, Richland College, Dallas, TX Current Position: Member, Board of Trustees, ALA Activities: Member: Intellectual Freedom, Education of Trustees, President’s Program, Membership, Local Arrangements, Nominating Chair: Membership, Local Arrangements; PLA membership liaison; Offices Held Outside of ALA: Chair, Board of Trustees, Farmers Branch Manske Library – 6 years; President, Professional Support Staff Association, Dallas County Community College; Vice President, Professional Support Staff Association, DCCCD Secretary, Executive Council, Professional Support Staff Association, DCCCD Graduate Citizens Police Academy, Farmers Branch, TX , Graduate Leadership Development Program, Farmers Branch, TX Program Chair, On-Site Administrator, Member Steering Committee, Renewal Week, DCCCD; Honors, Awards, Prizes, Medals, Citations: Award from City of Farmers Branch for service to library, 5 year and 10 year pins Award from City of Farmers Branch as volunteer on Board, Employee of the Month, Brookhaven College, Farmers Branch, TX, Employee of the Year, Brookhaven College, Farmers Branch, TX, Employee of the Year, Richland College, Dallas, TX; Accomplishments: Member, Friends of Farmers Branch Manske Library; volunteer book sales twice a year, high tea, author dinners. Served as Board representative in community focus groups to get input on wants and needs of various citizen groups for new library. Presentation to Farmers Branch City Council regarding need for new library; importance to community and city; uses by citizens, children, and businesses. Presentation to City Council requesting closure of library during renovations and rationale for this unprecedented request. Board representative to visit new libraries in North Texas to garner information/ideas for our
new library. Served on committee to develop 10-year strategic plan for our library. Board representative on committee to interview and select architect for new library. Attend ALA annual and mid winter conferences almost every year since 1994. Member ALA, ALTA, TLA since 1994.

Statement: My commitment to and love of libraries began when I was a young child and my mother took my brother and I to the library often and picking out and bringing home stacks of wonderful books. Libraries are an integral part of every community; the heart of the community. In Farmers Branch our library is open 7 days a week, most nights until 9pm. The building is always full, lively, energetic, and a fun place to be. We offer a wonderful children’s program year round, books for babies, both in English and Spanish, ESL classes free of charge, cater to our large business community, and continually widen our holdings to meet the ever-changing diversity of our city. Libraries offer limitless possibilities to everyone, especially those who have no other venue for these experiences. Libraries, as we continue to change, must remain the center of the community.

SSA, May 1985; Person of the Year Award presented by Maywood Chamber of Commerce, June 25, 1997; Regional Commissioners Citation presented by SSA Regional Commissioner, Chicago Region, June 2001; Regional Commissioners Citation presented by SSA Regional Commissioner, Chicago Region, June 1998; Distinguished Toastmaster presented by Toastmasters International Region 30, July 30, 2004; Community Service Award presented by Maywood Operation Uplift, January 19, 2002; Community Service Recognition Award presented by Mayor of Maywood Joe Freelon, 10/17/1997; Excellence in Service Award presented by SSA Regional Commissioner, 08/03/1994.

**Accomplishments:** In 1998, became the first African American appointed to the Board of the Suburban Library System and the 1st African American subsequently elected to that Board. Successfully initiated passage of 3 referendums for the Maywood Library Board: District Status, becoming its own taxing body, a 6.75 Million Dollar Bond Issuage for renovation of existing Carnegie Building, and the addition of a state of the Art facility, plus passage of a tax increase. Instrumental in the library becoming user friendly for individuals with disabilities. While Director of Civil Rights for SSA, started a Toastmasters Club in the Program Service Center. Started a Toastmasters Club for the Maywood Community in the Maywood Library. As an advocate and secretary of an community group, participated in the drive that was successful in the election of the 1st African American as Mayor for the Village of Maywood. Proud of being selected as 1998 State of Illinois, Trustee of the year for my service and commitment to the Library.

**STATEMENT:** Trustees must recognize our obligation to adapt to changes in both the political and social environment, and to consistently focus on the continuing role of Libraries in the 21st Century. We must ensure that we have a working knowledge of the issues that confront our libraries such as literacy, economics, and crime. We must grab available opportunities to partner with our elected officials and stay on top of legislative issues that are affecting our libraries; such as tax caps, and privacy issues. We must continue to position our libraries where they are an integral part of the solution to these issues, and look for opportunities to move beyond advocacy to players in the decision making process. Our Libraries must be recognized as the hub of our community. My goal is to utilize the training tools we have available to continuously educate all trustees so that they remain highly effective.
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**ASSISTANT-CHAIR/CHAIR-ELECT**
(VOTE FOR ONE)

01. ☐ GLENN, VALERIE *AL*

02. ☐ WEST, AMY *MN*

**SECRETARY**
(VOTE FOR ONE)

03. ☐ BRAZEE, KATHRYN L *DC*

04. ☐ PAYNE, YADIRA V *GA*

**FEDERAL DOCUMENTS TASK FORCE SECRETARY**
(VOTE FOR ONE)

07. ☐ HORNE, LAURA M *VA*

08. ☐ ____________________
WRITE-IN CANDIDATE

**FEDERAL DOCUMENTS TASK FORCE ASSISTANT COORDINATOR/COORDINATOR-ELECT**
(FOR A TWO YEAR TERM, VOTE FOR ONE)

09. ☐ GUAJARDO, RICHARD *TX*

10. ☐ OLDENKAMP, DAVID *IN*

**INTERNATIONAL DOCUMENTS TASK FORCE SECRETARY**
(VOTE FOR ONE)

11. ☐ SRIVASTAVA, SANDHYA *NY*
12. □ WHITE, SUSAN BENNETT NJ

STATE AND LOCAL DOCUMENTS
TASK FORCE ASSISTANT
COORDINATOR/COORDINATOR-ELECT
(FOR A TWO YEAR TERM, VOTE FOR ONE)

13. □ GAUSE, RICH FL

14. □ SEARS, SUZANNE TX

STATE AND LOCAL DOCUMENTS
TASK FORCE – SECRETARY
(VOTE FOR ONE)

15. □ HAGER, SAMANTHA CO

16. □ SKLAR, ANNELISE CA

AWARDS COMMITTEE
(3 TO BE ELECTED. VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN THREE)

17. □ BARKLEY, DAN NM

18. □ KELLAM, LYNDA NC

19. □ MAXIMIEK, SARAH NY

20. □ SARE, LAURA TX

BYLAWS AND ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE (2 TO BE ELECTED. VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN TWO.)

21. □ MILLER, BARBARA OK

22. □ QUINN, AIMEE C NM

23. □ ___________________ WRITE-IN CANDIDATE

NOMINATING COMMITTEE
(3 TO BE ELECTED. VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN THREE)

24. □ CLAUSEN, BETH E IL

25. □ GRIFFITHS, DAVID IL

26. □ SCOTT, MARK C PA

27. □ VON SEGGERN, MARILYN WA

PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE, CHAIR-ELECT
(VOTE FOR ONE)

28. □ STEVENSON, JOHN A. DE

29. □ ___________________ WRITE-IN CANDIDATE

These nominations have been made in accordance with the Round Table By-laws.
BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES


STATEMENT: I am concerned about what I perceive is a growing disconnect among GODORT Members regarding certain policy initiatives. GODORT plays a valuable role in the development of ALA policy on government information issues, and we need to continue to contribute our expertise, while ensuring that we are representing our Membership. The development of tools like the GODORT discussion list and wiki can be utilized to gain feedback from Members who don't always have their voices heard. I would also like to see the reduction of GODORT meetings. Our organization is diverse, our ambitions high. However, at a time when more of us are wearing several professional 'hats' we shouldn't make our Members choose between being active in GODORT vs. other units of ALA. We have the tools to implement virtual participation, and I think it's important to re-examine our work styles and the emphasis we place on work at conference.

02. WEST, AMY, Degrees and Certifications: University of Washington, MLIS, 1999; Smith College, B.A. Philosophy, 1993. Current Position: Data Services Librarian,


**STATEMENT:** I've been a member of GODORT for nearly ten years, I've enjoyed it and am pleased with GODORT's efforts towards strategic planning, especially the development of the membership survey. I'd like to continue the trend towards using technology to assist in our activities during and between conferences and to help manage implementation of any necessary changes identified in the survey.

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**STATEMENT:** As ALA GODORT is a professional association of importance and influence for government documents library personnel, I will provide reliable and accurate service as Secretary to the Round Table.

04. **PAYNE, YADIRA V.,** **Current Position:** Interim Government Documents Librarian, Augusta State University, 2007-present. **Offices Held outside of ALA:** Georgia Library Association: Secretary - Current (2008), Government Documents Interest Group.

**STATEMENT:** Professionally, I am concerned with providing the most access to information in the simplest manner possible. As Gov Docs Librarian I wish to educate the
public on the accessibility of information that the government provides. Cultural Diversity is a major interest of mine, as such my goal in everything I do is to think globally but act locally. Assisting patrons from all cultures and educational levels affords me the opportunity to think outside of the box in order to create educational and informational programs which are better suited to our growing patronage.

05. CLARK, KIRSTEN, Current Position: Gov't Information & Regional Depository Librarian, University of Minnesota, 2007-present. **ALA Activities:** GODORT: Secretary, Steering Committee, 2006-07; GODORT: Cataloging Committee, 2001-05; GODORT: Ad Hoc Committee on Digitization of Government Information, 2001-02. **Offices Held outside of ALA:** Minnesota Library Association: Vice Chair/Chair, MLA GODORT, 2007-Present; ALA GODORT: Secretary, Steering Committee, 2006-07; New Mexico Library Association: Vice Chair/Chair, NM ACRL, 2005-06; Mountain Plains Library Association: Chair, Government Documents Section, 2004-06; ALA GODORT: Cataloging Committee, 2001-05; Minnesota Library Association: Vice Chair/Chair, MLA GODORT, 1999-2001.

**STATEMENT:** With my new job as a regional librarian, I see many selectives holding several job hats with government information sometimes being at the bottom of the stack. Less time doesn’t negate the importance of government documents, but rather places greater need on time-saving measures. Cooperation across libraries is a key to this time-saving and the Federal Documents Task Force is a prime place to work on developing ways for librarians to use their allotted “documents time” to the best advantage. Several projects, such as the GODORT wiki, have started us on this path but it is time to expand and grow using new technologies to make us the best and most useful organization possible.

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STATEMENT: My interest in becoming the IDTF Coordinator comes from my being a member of the group for several years. My professional life has been enhanced by my becoming involved in the IDTF, leading me to engage in several projects to enhance the IDTF community. I hope to continue to lead the IDTF in mentoring new international documents librarians and continuing to support new and interesting IDTF projects and programs.

11. SRIVASTAVA, SANDHYA, Degrees and Certifications: Queens College, M.L.S., 1998; State University at Stony Brook, M.S. in Applied Mathematics and Operations

**Current Position:** Serials Librarian, Columbia Law Library, 2007-present. **Previous Positions:** Serials Librarian, Columbia Law Library, 2006-Present; Serials Librarian, Hofstra University, 2002-06; Serials Acquisitions Librarian, Long Island University Brooklyn Campus, 1999-2002; Technical Services Librarian, JH Marsh & McLennan, 1998-99. **ALA Activities:** ALCTS: Member, Pre-Conference Planning Committee, 2007-Present; GODORT: Member, Federal Documents Task Force, 2007-Present; GODORT: Member, International Documents Task Force, 2007-Present; ALCTS: Member, AS Research and Statistics Committee, 2005-Present; ACRL: Member, Dr.E.J. Josey Spectrum Scholarship Committee, 2005-07; ALCTS: Intern, Member and Chair, SS Acquisitions Committee, 2002-05. **Offices Held outside of ALA:** NASIG: Member, Bylaws, 2006-07; NASIG: Member, Database and Directory Committee, 2002-06.


**Honors, Awards, Prizes, Medals, Citations:** NASIG Horizon Award, 2001.

STATEMENT: Documents librarians in the first decade of the 21st Century form a strong community where we support each other with information and resources across state and national boundaries, and across oceans and continents. Historical and current documents on human rights, children's issues, economic and poverty data, concerns about women, technology and the environment - and above all the will of both individuals and nations to make things better - all of that is the substance of our work. My special focus as a documents librarian today is to take an active role in making all formats - paper sitting on local shelves, and those born digital which live on servers dotted around the world, known and readily accessible to scholars, students, and the general public. Documents are a vital resource, and we in the documents community, in groups such as IDTF and GODORT more generally, together can offer much.


STATEMENT: I am very concerned with the issues of equitable access to information whether it be in tangible or electronic format. This is of paramount importance in regards to state and local government information. The lack of material being archived and the vast differences in the type and amount of information available at these lower levels of government are two major issues of concern for me.


17. **BARKLEY, DAN, Degrees and Certifications:** University of Kentucky, MLIS, 1987; Miami University, BS, Political Science, 1977. **Current Position:** Coordinator, Government Information, University of New Mexico, 1995-present.

18. **KELLAM, LYNDA MICHELE, Current Position:** Data Services and Government Information Librarian, University of North Carolina at Greensboro, 2007-present. **ALA Activities:** ACRL: Law and Political Science Section, 2004-Present; ACRL: Women's Studies Section, 2004-Present; New Members Round Table: 2004-06. **Offices Held outside of ALA:** International Association for Social Science Information Service & Technology (IASSIST): Member, Technology Action Group, 2007-Present; North Carolina Library Association: Secretary, Government Resources Section, 2007-Present.


**STATEMENT:** I am interested in the availability of taxpayer funded and government produced information, since I think it's availability is vital to the functioning of democracy. I also think that the complete digitization of such information is not the answer, since we are a long way from filling all the technological gaps that remain barriers to access. I am interested in how academic, special and public libraries can work together to try to ensure that such information remain available and that bridges can be built whenever possible.

20. **SARE, LAURA, Current Position:** Government Information Librarian, Texas

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**STATEMENT:** As a documents librarian I am concerned with permanent public access to electronic information. I also hope to see more ALA sub groups working together on common issues. There is strength in numbers.

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22. QUINN, AIMEE C., **Current Position:** Associate Director, Central New Mexico Community College, 2006-present.

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24. CLAUSEN, BETH E., **Current Position:** Head, Resource Sharing and Reserve Collections, Northwestern University, 2007-present. **ALA Activities:** GODORT: Chair, Membership Committee, 2006-Present; GODORT: Chair-elect, Chair, FDTF, 2004-06;
GODORT: Member, Education Committee, 2002-04; GODORT: Secretary, FDTF, 2002-03; GODORT: Member, GITCO, 2000-02.

25. GRIFFITHS, DAVID


helped create and became editor of the Toolbox for Processing and Cataloging Federal Government Documents. I continue to update and maintain this resource.

**STATEMENT:** Over the past few years, GODORT leaders have made difficult decisions in order to put the round table on more solid financial footing. We have learned to say "no" when the budget won't support an expenditure. More important, dedicated individuals have made our publications timely and relevant, leading to sales and advertising revenue. The future looks rosier when GODORT publications are produced in a timely way for a willing market. In associations like ours, publications play an important role in generating income. If elected, I will work with others to ensure that we encourage the creation and sale of quality publications which benefit the round table.

**29. WRITE-IN CANDIDATE**
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