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## WHEN WE'RE DEEP IN THE HEART OF TEXAS RECEIVED

If you haven't been to Houston in several years, you might not recognize the city. Houston is now the nation's fourth largest city, and it continues to grow at a rapid pace. There are a variety of interesting sights and enjoyable activities, and the only damper on your visit might be the extremely high humidity.

Although the downtown does not provide an abundance of night life, the architecture alone is worth the trip. New buildings seem to go up constantly. Among the more notable structures are the Pennzoil Towers by Philip Johnson and John Burgee and the Texas Commerce Tower, which is currently the tallest building west of the Mississippi River. Most of the downtown is served by a network of air-conditioned tunnels. Not only does this make it easier and more pleasant to travel from one building to another, but there are also shops and restaurants along the way.

Not all of downtown Houston is new and shiny. La Carafe, located in the city's oldest building, is a fascinating place to stop for a beer or a glass of wine. It is located on the edge of the downtown in the historic Market Square, an area which includes several restaurants which would make an excellent choice for lunch. Nearby are the Alley Theatre and Jones Hall, Houston's performing arts center.

It usually is not wise to depend on public transportation in Houston, but if you have a car, the Post Oak-Galleria area is just a short distance from downtown. Spendthrifts beware. You will find exclusive shops, elegant department stores, restaurants, theatres and an ice rink. The general area also features an interesting collection of office towers and hotels, and some refer to this section as a second downtown. If you have any money left after shopping, you will be able to find an elegant place for dinner here.

After dinner you might want to experience some of Houston's local color. The rough hewn Western influences can be found at Gilley's, about twenty miles from downtown in Pasadena, or at the Old Bayou Inn in Houston's Heights. Mexican flavor abounds, and the Cadillac Bar is a good example, but don't be limited. If you like modern jazz and excellent views, Cody's (on the 10th floor at 3400 Montrose) is the place to go.

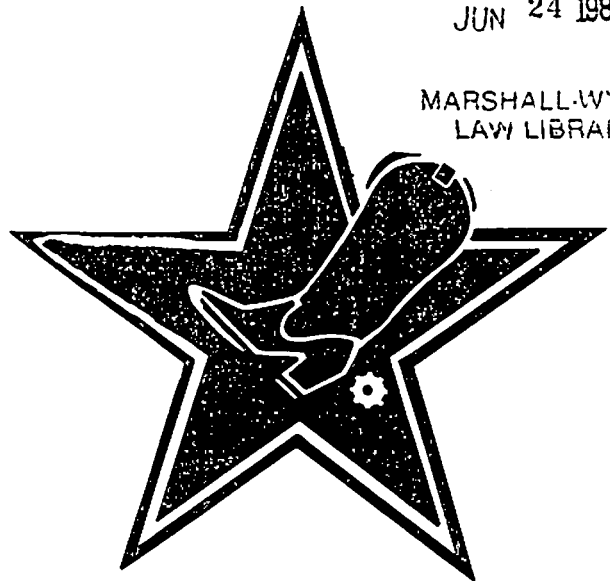
Near Rice University you'll find Houston's cultural appeal. The Museum of Fine Arts and the Contemporary Art Museum can be found here, as can the Rice Museum. Hermann Park is home to the zoo and the Museum of Natural Science.

If you like sports, you'll probably be interested in seeing the Houston Astrodome. This was the original indoor, air-conditioned stadium, and it's the headquarters of the Astros and the Oilers. Astroworld is next door and it has one of the scariest roller coaster rides around.

*Georgia D. Chadwick, Reference Librarian, Law Library of Louisiana*

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## *President's Page*

The Chapter will hold a meeting in Houston on Monday, June 27, 1983 in the Redbud Room beginning at 7:30 a.m. The business session will begin around 8 a.m. The new officers will be installed at the end of the meeting. Since the room will be available to us until 9:00 a.m., this is a good time to get reacquainted and to talk to the incoming officers. A continental breakfast will be served.

I am happy to report that the Chapter is in excellent financial condition. If the revenue generated by the Lake Buena Vista meeting indicates a trend, the Chapter will be able to begin funding more professional activities. One suggestion is to publish our practice series. The Chapter also could consider providing more scholarships. In other words, now that the Chapter is financially independent, I think it is appropriate for future Presidents to take steps to fund certain professional activities. Your ideas should be submitted to the incoming officers.

The office of the President is a titled job which requires the support and work of many individuals. There are many who assisted me in carrying out my duties; but there are several who deserve special attention. I especially appreciate the work of Carol Billings and Patsy Brautigam on the newsletter. They have managed to cut production costs while enhancing the quality. Thanks also to Ed Edmonds for helping me answer the many questions — financial and statistical — which arose during the year. The Secretary/Treasurer is the person who makes the President look knowledgeable.

Kay Todd will be appointing committee members soon. Please let her know how you can best serve the Chapter in the coming year.

See you in Houston.

Donald G. Ziegenfuss

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### **COMING SOON FROM WILLIAMSBURG**

Secretary/Treasurer Ed Edmonds will soon be mailing out ballots for the election of the chapter's vice-president/president-elect. Invoices for dues will be arriving shortly as well. Within the next few weeks our new chapter directory will be ready for distribution.

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THE SOUTHEASTERN LAW LIBRARIAN is published quarterly. All members of the chapter are invited to submit articles and announcements for inclusion. The deadline for the next issue is August 1. Material should be sent to the editor, Carol Billings, at the Law Library of Louisiana, Supreme Court Building, 301 Loyola Ave., New Orleans, LA 70112.

# A SELECTIVE BIBLIOGRAPHY OF GEORGIA PRACTICE MATERIALS

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## *From around the Country*

### **Barbecue a la Mersky?**

*Tarlton Cooks! A Collection of Recipes for Fine Dining and Entertaining from Tarlton Law Library* is the title of the commemorative cookbook being compiled and edited by that law library at the University of Texas at Austin School of Law. Recipe contributions are being made by Tarlton employees past and present. Any Tarlton alumni with recipes to offer are urged to participate by sending them to: COOKBOOK, Tarlton Law Library, 727 East 26th Street, Austin, TX 78705. The cookbook will also include a bibliography of other bookbooks and recipe collections compiled and produced by legal groups throughout the world. Information about such cookbooks and recipe collections may be forwarded to the same address.

### **Consultation Service for Private Law Firm Libraries**

The Chicago Association of Law Libraries has established a committee to investigate the feasibility of instituting a law library consultation service for private law firms in their area. The committee invites anyone interested in the concept of consultation services to meet with them in Houston in the Redbud Room of the Hyatt Regency on Tuesday, June 28 from 4 to 5 p.m. Such considerations as goals, procedures, ethics, publicity and follow-up will be discussed. For further information, contact Cynthia Lowe Rynning at Friedman and Koven, 208 South LaSalle St., Chicago, Illinois 60604, (312) 346-8500.

### **Standards for Federal Librarians**

Although the Office of Personnel Management had announced that it would publish the revised classification and qualifications standards for federal librarians early in 1983, they are apparently still awaiting approval at OPM. The controversial standards are currently under review at the General Accounting Office, the investigative arm of Congress. On March 14, thirteen Senators and Representatives sent a letter to the Comptroller General, the head of GAO, requesting that the first portion of the pay equity study, that dealing with the librarians standards, be completed by July 1, 1983. The following Congressmen signed the letter: Representatives William D. Ford (D-MI), Patricia Schroeder (D-CO), Geraldine A. Ferraro (D-NY), Major R. Owens (D-NY), Donald Joseph Albosta (D-MI), Mary Rose Oakar (D-OH), Barney Frank (D-MA), Ted Weiss (D-NY), Barbara B. Kennelly (D-CT), and Senators Ernest F. Hollings (D-SC), Paul Tsongas (D-MA), Gary Hart (D-CO), and Edward M Kennedy (D-MA)

# S.E.A.L.L. BRIEFS

Compiled by Ann Fessenden,  
University of Mississippi Law Library

## North Carolina

The Duke University Law Library staff has produced a series of research guides dealing with specific legal subjects or parts of the Duke collection. The depth of treatment varies. Some serve as pathfinders, while others offer more detailed instruction on how to do research in a particular area. All are keyed to the holdings of the Duke Law Library. They vary in length from 5 to 12 pages.

The current titles are:

1. Labor Law
2. Securities Law
3. British Law
4. Federal Administrative Law
5. Foreign and Comparative Law
6. Federal Legislative History
7. Commercial, Investment and Taxation Law in Translation: Looseleaf Publications

Copies of the guides are available to interested SEALL or AALL members without charge while the supply lasts. Contact Michael Chiorazzi, Reference Librarian, Duke University Law Library, Durham, N.C. 27706.

## South Carolina

Melissa Surber has joined the staff of the Coleman Karesh Law Library at the University of South Carolina as acquisitions/serials librarian. She is a graduate of the University of South Carolina College of Librarianship and spent several years as a librarian at Midlands Technical College in Columbia.

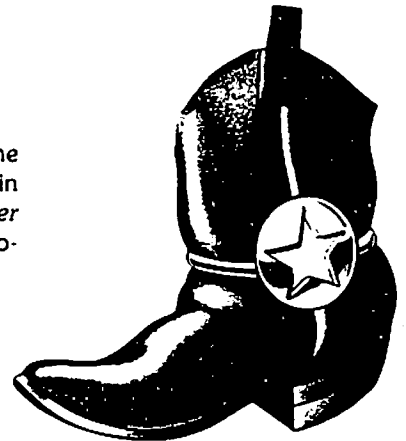
## Louisiana

N.O.A.L.L., the fledgling New Orleans Association of Law Librarians, convened recently for a Saturday evening of business and socializing. Wes Cochran — who led the group masterfully through its first year — presided over the election of new officers: president, Carol Billings; vice-president/president elect, Teresa Neaves; secretary, Judith St. Claire, and treasurer, Victor Buccola.

N.O.A.L.L.'s application for official chapter status will come before the A.A.L.L. business meeting in Houston for approval. We appreciate the support of fellow S.E.A.L.L. members.

## To Prepare Your Palate . . .

Any Southeastern members who have never been to Texas or have never had the pleasure of working with Texans may experience culture shock upon arrival in Houston. To help ease you into the milieu of barbecue and chili, the *Newsletter* offers the following recipe, courtesy of New Orleans members Betty Kern (a Galvestonian by birth) and Teresa Davis:



### Tex-Mex Dip

(for 16 appetizer servings)

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| 3 medium-size ripe avocados        | 2 cans (10½ oz. each) plain or jalapeno bean dip |
| 2 T. lemon juice                   | 1 large bunch green onion tops, chopped          |
| ½ t. salt                          | 3 medium tomatoes, chopped                       |
| ¼ t. pepper                        | 2 cans ripe olives (3½ oz. each), chopped        |
| 1 cup sour cream                   | 8 oz. cheddar cheese, grated                     |
| ½ cup mayonnaise or salad dressing | large round tortilla chips                       |
| 1 pkg. taco seasoning mix          |  |

Peel, pit and mash avocados in a medium-size bowl with lemon juice, salt and pepper. Combine sour cream, mayonnaise and taco seasoning mix in bowl. To assemble: spread bean dip on a large shallow serving platter; top with seasoned avocado mixture, then with sour cream-taco mixture. Sprinkle with chopped onions, tomatoes, and olives; cover with shredded cheese. Serve chilled or at room temperature with round tortilla chips. Have Alka-Seltzer in readiness.

# OBTAINING CURRENT LEGISLATIVE MATERIALS

## North Carolina

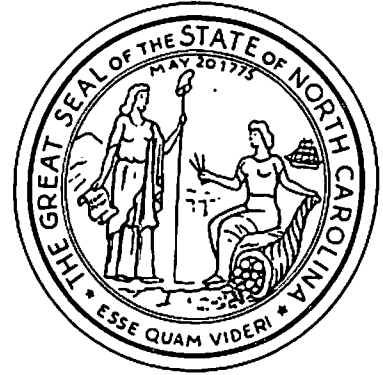
### LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS

In North Carolina, the General Assembly meets in odd-year biennial sessions that traditionally begin on the first Wednesday after the second Monday in January, and run until early July. But House Bill 907, currently under consideration, provides for the 1985 convening date to be the first Tuesday in February 1985. Special sessions were called in 1982, the off-year for redistricting after the census information was released, and for budget work after the federal budget was set.

### BILLS AND ACTS

In the Senate, bills introduced on behalf of State departments, agencies, or institutions must be filed not later than April 1 of the session if a public bill (affecting 15 or more counties), and March 9 if a local bill (affecting fewer than 15 counties). In the House, all local bills or bills prepared by State agencies, departments, or institutions must be introduced not later than April 1 of the session. Unless the ratified bill states otherwise, acts are effective 30 days after the session in which they were passed adjourns, but frequently acts contain language making them effective upon ratification.

Bills, resolutions, and acts are printed in full text by the Legislative Services Commission of the General Assembly. Copies may be obtained from the



Printed Bills Office 919-733-5648  
Legislative Building  
Raleigh, NC 27611

For information about the status of bills, call the Bills Status Desk at 919-733-7779.

### LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

The Legislative Library (919-733-7778) — Legislative Building, Raleigh, NC 27611) maintains Bill Books during the legislative session. These are organized by bill number and contain a copy of the bill as originally introduced, any committee substitutes, amendments, and a copy of the ratified bill if passed. The Legislative Library is also the repository for the committee notebooks, which contain typed transcripts of standing committee minutes, going back to about 1977. Most of the committee minutes also contain transcripts of committee hearings. The Legislative Library acquires these notebooks after each session, and the researcher must come in person to inspect the material. During the session, the notebooks are kept in the committee.

### PUBLICATIONS

The Legislative Service of the Institute of Government, which is part of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, records what goes on in the legislature and publishes the following documents which summarize the activity:

*The Daily Bulletin* gives the name, number, introducer, committee assignment, and a summary of each bill introduced, along with a list by bill number of floor action, changes in committee assignment, and amendments.

*The Weekly Summary* is a narrative summary of the major activities of the legislature each week.

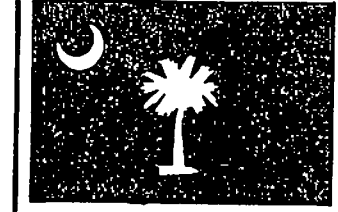
*Weekly Status Report for Local Bills* and *Weekly Status Report for Public Bills* give the latest action for each bill. The local bills are arranged by county, and the public bills by general statute number of the subject.

For subscription information, write to Publications Office, Institute of Government, Knapp Building 059A, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC 27514 or call 919-966-4119. In addition, the Library at the Institute of Government is a good resource for information because of the close connection between the Institute of Government and the legislature. The number for the library is 919-966-4130.

Kathryn M. Christie  
Duke University Library



## South Carolina



### *I Sessions of the General Assembly*

#### **A. DURATION**

Begins: Second Tuesday in January  
S.C. Constitution, Art. III, sec. 9

Ends: First Thursday in June, unless extension approved by  $\frac{2}{3}$  vote of both Houses  
S.C. Code Ann. 2-1-180 (Law. Coop. Supp. 1982)

#### **B. DEADLINES FOR FILING BILLS**

##### Senate:

No deadline for filing of bills in Senate  
Senate will not consider bills originating in House unless received by May 1  
Exception: Appropriations bills  
Rule may be waived by vote of  $\frac{2}{3}$  of total membership of the Senate  
S.C. Senate Rule 50

##### House:

House bills must be filed by April 15 to be considered during that session  
House will not consider bills originating in the Senate unless received by May 1  
Exceptions: Appropriations bills  
Joint resolutions approving or disapproving state agency regulations  
Rule may be waived by  $\frac{2}{3}$  vote of House members present and voting  
S.C. House Rule 5.12

#### **C. EFFECTIVE DATE OF ACTS**

Acts take effect 20 days after approval by the Governor unless act otherwise specifies.  
S.C. Code Ann. § 2-7-10 (Law. Coop. 1976)

#### **D. BILL STATUS INFORMATION**

Legislative Information Systems  
112 Blatt Building  
Columbia, SC 29201  
803/758-5870

### *II. Availability of legislative materials*

#### **A. RECENTLY FILED BILLS AND RECENTLY PASSED ACTS**

Legislative Information Systems  
112 Blatt Building  
Columbia, SC 29201  
803/758-3974

#### **B. TRANSCRIPTS OF COMMITTEE HEARINGS AND MEETINGS, COPIES OF UNPUBLISHED COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Must write or call individual committees

#### **C. PUBLICATION OF S.C. ACTS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS**

1. Slip acts — time varies, usually about one month
2. Advance sheets — time varies, usually about two months
3. Bound volumes — three to six months after end of legislative session, usually December

All available from:

R.L. Bryan  
P.O. Drawer 368  
Columbia, SC 29202  
803/709-3560

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## Florida

### REGULAR LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS

Regular sessions of the Legislature of the State of Florida are held annually beginning on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in April. Regular sessions last for sixty consecutive days, including Sundays, but may be extended by a three-fifths vote.

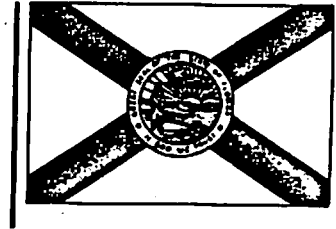
### INTRODUCTION AND STATUS OF BILLS

Deadlines for filing bills differ between the House of Representatives and the Senate. In the House the last day to file bills (including local bills) or joint resolutions is noon on the first day of the regular session. Committee bills must be filed with the Clerk by the fourth Tuesday of the regular session. In the Senate all bills must be filed with the Secretary of the Senate by the eleventh day of the regular session with the exception of local bills which may be filed throughout the entire regular session.

Copies of bills, daily journals and calendars, interim calendars, (complete listings of prefiled bills and action upon these), directories of members of the Legislature and committee membership, may be obtained by writing or calling the following offices:

The Florida Senate  
Office of the Secretary  
The Capitol  
Tallahassee, FL 32301  
(904)488-1621

The Florida House of Representatives  
Office of the Clerk  
The Capitol  
Tallahassee, FL 32301  
(904)488-1157



The Legislative Information Division of the Florida Legislature provides up-to-the-minute reporting on the status of bills. They publish a *Daily Bill History, Index, Citator and Sponsor Report*. At the end of the regular session a cumulative report is published, which is usually the first step in researching legislative intent. This Division also provides terminals throughout the Capitol Building and in state agency offices to access bill status information.

The Florida Legislature  
Joint Legislative Management Committee  
Legislative Information Division  
The Capitol, Room 826  
Tallahassee, FL 32301  
(904) 488-4371  
(800) 342-1827 (Toll-free number is available only within  
the State of Florida)

During the legislative session all requests for committee reports, staff analyses, tapes and transcripts of meetings, bill files containing back ground information or research may be obtained by writing or calling the various committees of the House and Senate. These numbers can be easily obtained from the telephone directory assistance or by obtaining directories from the House and Senate. These materials remain in the Committees for approximately six months to two years, and are then sent to the Florida Legislative Library and ultimately to the Florida State Archives. The Legislative Library is an excellent source to use in determining where the needed committee files may be located at any given time.

The Florida Legislature  
Joint Legislative Management Committee  
Division of Legislative Library Services  
The Capitol  
Tallahassee, FL 32301  
(904) 488-2812

### RECENTLY PASSED ACTS

When a bill is approved by both houses, in exactly the same forms, the bill becomes an act, which is enrolled by either the Secretary of the Senate or the Clerk of the House and is certified to the Governor for his action. The Governor may sign the act, which then becomes a law upon its filing with the Secretary of State. If the Governor does not sign the act, it becomes a law effective on the sixtieth day after adjournment sine die of the session of the Legislature in which enacted or on a specified date. If the Governor vetos the act he must return it with his written objections to the house in which the bill originated. The veto may be overridden by a two-thirds vote of the members of each house, and the act thus becomes a law. An act vetoed after adjournment of the Legislature is taken up at its next regular or special session.

Copies of recently passed laws are available from several sources. Slip laws are available from the Office of the Secretary of State. In addition, a session law service is available from West Publishing Company and by a local Tallahassee publisher. Inquiries should be addressed to the following:

Florida Secretary of State  
Division of Elections  
Bureau of Laws  
The Capitol  
Tallahassee, FL 32301  
(904) 488-2766

Judicial and Administrative  
Research Associates, Inc.  
1333 N. Adams Street  
Tallahassee, FL 32303  
(904) 222-3171  
(Publishes *Florida Law Weekly Session Law Reporter*)

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## Tennessee

### LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS

The General Assembly convenes in organizational session on the second Tuesday in January following the election of members of the House of Representatives. After the close of the organizational session, which is limited to fifteen consecutive days, the General Assembly meets on the next Tuesday, unless both houses by joint resolution set an earlier date. By joint resolution the assembly may recess or adjourn for as long as it wishes. It shall be convened at other times by the Governor, or by the presiding officers of both Houses at the written request of two-thirds of the members of each.

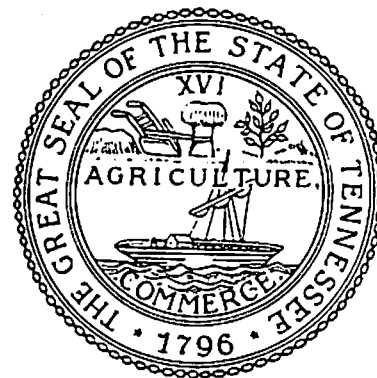
### STATUS AND AVAILABILITY OF LEGISLATION

Tennessee has a constituent "hotline" — a toll free number (1-800-342-8490) — which makes available to the public the status of pending legislation. This service is available only during the session, but it provides information that is generally available otherwise only through subscription services.

To obtain copies of legislation one writes to the Office of Legislative Services, State Building, Nashville, TN 37219. In January both "slip bills" and a microfiche legislative service, which is particularly invaluable for determining the status of the bills, begin arriving for subscribers.

The Office of the Secretary of State provides pamphlets of the public chapters which come out weekly beginning in April. These are later published in hard copy. An index to the public acts is published by a private company, M. Lee Smith Publishers of Nashville. This is basically a preliminary indexing service.

Other ways of finding out about legislation are the Nashville papers, the *Tennessee Attorney's Memo.* and the *Tennessee Journal* published by M. Lee Smith of Nashville. These are available on subscription.



### LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

If one wants a transcript or a tape of a committee hearing, he should contact the State Library and Archives (Archives Section), Nashville, TN. Not all committees are recorded, but the sessions and hearings held in the chambers are recorded, as are the budget hearings.

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## NEW AALL NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE SEEKS CANDIDATES FOR 1984-85

By now, the membership should be familiar with the list of those nominated for the 1983-84 AALL Executive Board. The biographical sketches of all of the candidates are found in the April issue of the *AALL Newsletter*. The election of the 1983-84 Executive Board will be (or has been) done, via a mail ballot, in May, 1983.

The new Nominations Committee for 1983-84 has been appointed. The Committee wants to begin early to seek candidates for vacancies on the 1984-85 Executive Board and invites the membership to submit names of potential candidates. For the 1984-85 Executive Board, the Committee seeks nominees for Vice President/President-Elect and for two Executive Board seats (four candidates will be nominated by the Committee for these two vacancies).

If you have any suggestions for nominees for 1984-85, please complete the form below and mail it directly to the Chair of next year's Nominations Committee. You are encouraged to provide as much information as possible on each person's qualifications.

The 1984-85 Nominations Committee is composed of: Peter C. Schanck, Chair, and Marvin R. Anderson, Velvet Glass, James L. Hoover, and Robert L. Oakley.

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### CANDIDATES FOR THE 1983-84 EXECUTIVE BOARD

Name of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Institution/Firm of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Office Suggested: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you advised the person that you are submitting his/her name?

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes      \_\_\_\_\_ No

Association Activities and Service of Individual:

Professional Experience and Accomplishments of Individual:

If you have additional suggestions, please provide the same information on another copy of this form or on another sheet.

SEND YOUR SUGGESTIONS TO: Professor Peter C. Schanck, University of Kansas, School of Law Library, Green Hall, Lawrence, Kansas 66045 (913) 864-3025

# MISCELLANEOUS SOURCES FOR ACQUIRING LEGAL MATERIALS FROM LATIN AMERICA\*

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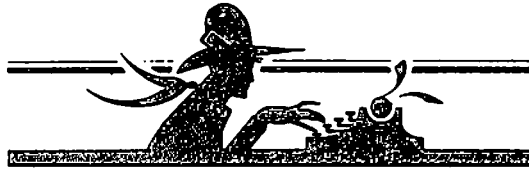
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## A Note from the Editor

The New Orleans law library community, the Southeastern region and this newsletter have all lost an exceptional colleague with the move of co-editor Patsy Brautigam to Houston. Whether she was researching an article or sorting the newsletter for mailing, it was with the utmost expertise and good humor, and I thank her sincerely. I am delighted to report that she is already in a new position as reference librarian at the University of Houston Law Library and is anxious to welcome her Southeastern friends to her hometown.

Patsy's successor at the Law Library of Louisiana, Georgia Chadwick returns to us after a sojourn of three years in Texas — at the law libraries of Gulf Oil and the University of Texas. Her lead article should prepare us all for the delights that await us at the annual meeting.

Gratitude is due the librarians in each Southeastern state who responded so promptly to my plea for information about the availability of legislative materials. So extensive and valuable is the information that I have received, that it was impossible to include it all in one issue. You can look forward to finding the remaining states in the next one or two newsletters. My requests for articles and news items of every sort have begun to bear fruit — not only from the Southeast, but also from newsletter editors and contributors in other regions. Several excellent pieces will be printed in forthcoming issues.

It is difficult to come up with new ideas for each newsletter; so I do rely upon all of you to send me material. A number of your libraries regularly prepare excellent newsletters, guides, and bibliographies that would be a great help to all of us. Please consider allowing the newsletter to reprint excerpts from these.

I would like very much to assemble a newsletter staff, made up of correspondents from each state. The correspondents could then solicit material from other members in their state and keep us all up to date on significant happenings. Please send me a note or call me if you would be interested in donning a trenchcoat, sticking a press card in your hatband and becoming a foreign correspondent.

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