

### *Recruitment to Law Librarianship Committee 2006-07*

With a revised charge, the Recruitment to Law Librarianship Committee (RLLC) had an active year, focused on its mission to serve as a clearinghouse of law librarianship education and career information for prospective law librarians.

Committee members were Chair Ann Clifford Green, Eric W. Brust, Jennifer Meger, Diane Murley, Sara R. Paul, Michael Saint-Onge, Leah Sandwell-Weiss, Barbara G. Traub, Maureen D. Well and Amy J. Wright.

Diane Murley served as the committee's Webmaster. She added many relevant articles to the Web page over the past year including "A Day in the Life of a Law Librarian," (Winter 2007 issue of *Law Library Lights*) and an LLRX article by George Butterfield, "Is a J.D. Necessary for Law Librarians?"

Committee member Sara Paul represented the RLLC and AALL at a webinar for paralegals and legal assistants on other legal careers sponsored by the International Paralegal Management Association on October 5, 2006. Sara spoke about her career path and how AALL has enhanced her professional life.

The chair responded to inquiries from people interested in pursuing careers in law librarianship who filled out the RLLC Web site contact form. To start a dialog with prospective law librarians, she sent out a form letter via e-mail. Frequently, the initial response was followed up by a telephone call or e-mail from another committee member.

Questions were fielded about graduate education, career opportunities, the future of the job market, and the opportunities available in the various sectors of law librarianship, including academic, court, government, law firm, and special libraries. Many questions were from lawyers or other librarians interested in alternative careers.

The RLLC thanks all the members of AALL and its chapters for their personal and chapter-wide efforts to promote law librarianship during the year. Many chapters have been active and have reported their successes to the RLLC. The committee plans to expand on these chapter relationships in the future.

Ann Clifford Green and committee member Barbara Traub represented the RLLC at the CONELL Marketplace at the AALL Annual Meeting in New Orleans. The committee hosted a table in the Activities Area of the Exhibit Hall and handed out business cards with the slogan "What's It Like to be a Law Librarian." The cards included URLs for the RLLC and AALL Web pages.

Barbara Traub will chair the RLLC in the 2007-08 year.

Ann Clifford Green, Chair  
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