The officers of NOALL for 2008-09 were Amy Hale-Janeke, president; Miriam Childs, vice president/president-elect; Brent Hightower, secretary; and Cathy Wagar, treasurer.

During the 2008-2009 term, NOALL had two outstanding educational programs, one in the fall and one in the spring.

The first, held October 15, 2008, was a celebration of the bicentennial of the Digest of Civil Laws Now in Force in the Territory of New Orleans (1808), the first step in the history of Louisiana’s codification of the civil law.

Speaker Alain Levasseur, a professor of law from LSU, discussed and signed copies of his new book Moreau Lislet: The Man Behind the Digest of 1808. LSU law librarian Vicenç Feliú then discussed the Spanish sources of the Digest of 1808.

This program was held in the Louisiana Supreme Court Building. CLE credit was offered and close to 100 people attended.

The spring program was held on March 24, 2009, and also featured a distinguished professor of disaster mental health at Tulane, Dr. Charles Figley. He spoke about compassion fatigue, a subject about which he has extensively researched and written. Dr. Figley discussed compassion fatigue in the law library world and ways to handle it. See a listing of his papers and books at http://charlesfigley.com/.

Charles Pearce, the newly appointed director of the 5th Circuit Court of Appeals Library, was also introduced and welcomed to NOALL at this meeting.

On May 11, 2009, the NOALL business meeting was held at noon in the boardroom of local law firm McGlinchey Stafford.

Officers for 2009-2010 were sworn in at the conclusion of the meeting. The officers for 2009-2010 are Miriam Childs, president; Brent Hightower, vice president/president-elect; Carla Pritchett, secretary; and Cathy Wagar, treasurer (entering year two of a two-year term).