

## MARY WHISNER

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## EDUCATION

Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana  
M.L.I.S., 1987

Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Massachusetts  
J.D., *cum laude*, 1982

*Harvard Women's Law Journal*: editor in chief, volume 4; managing editor, volume 5

University of Washington, Seattle, Washington  
B.A. with Distinction in Philosophy, *cum laude*, 1977

## LIBRARY EXPERIENCE

### **Marian Gould Gallagher Law Library**

University of Washington School of Law, Seattle, Washington.

Reference Librarian, 1988-90

Head of Reference, 1991-99

Assistant Librarian for Reference Services, 1999-2006

Reference Librarian, 2006-present

#### **Reference service:**

- Provide reference service to law students and law faculty, as well as to members of the university community, the bar, and the public.
- Perform research for law faculty; write memos summarizing research and communicating results.

#### **Management:**

- Scheduled six professionals and up to eight hourly employees per quarter in Reference Office (1991-2005).
- Prepared training materials and staff documentation for Reference Department (1991-2005).

- Participate in training and mentoring law library interns (1988-present). Supervise and evaluate interns (1991-2006, 2009-present).
- Represented Reference Department in Library Council (1992-2006).
- Serve on Collection Development Council (1992-present).
- Coordinate reference librarians' presentations and training sessions for Basic Legal Skills (1996-present) and other classes (2007-10).

**Teaching:**

- Participate with other reference librarians in first-year Basic Legal Skills course, teaching first-year law students traditional manual legal research, LexisNexis, and Westlaw. Prepare scripts and handouts for various units.
- Guest lecture on legal research in a wide variety of classes and contexts, ranging from a high school class studying civil rights to a graduate seminar in the English department studying discourse analysis of legal texts. Law school classes addressed have included labor law, Indian law, international law, and health law.
- Present on research topics for non-class groups, including Career Planning workshops, faculty and staff groups, student groups, and annual summer program for law students in their summer jobs.
- Taught summer school course in legal research for non-law students, 1989 (team-teaching), 1990 (sole instructor), 1991 (team-teaching).

**Writing and editing:**

- Develop materials for law library website (<http://lib.law.washington.edu>). Contributions include: "A Guide to Using the Gallagher Law Library for Members of the Public," description of reference services and policies, many research guides supporting presentations, guide to Library of Congress call numbers.
- Co-edited *Current Index to Legal Periodicals*, May 1990 - June 1992.
- Extensively rewrote law library handbook (1988) and updated it the next year (1989).
- Edited and wrote Law Library News column of weekly law school newsletter, including research tips and trivia contests, 1988-91, 1999-2000, fall 2004, 2010-present. Regularly contribute to column, 1991-present. Archives at <http://lib.law.washington.edu/news/LawLibNews.html>.
- Manage and contribute to Gallagher Blogs, <http://gallagherlawlibrary.blogspot.com> (2008-present).
- Created a blog with conference announcements and calls for papers to support faculty. That blog merged with a similar blog from the University of Pittsburgh to form Legal Scholarship Blog, <http://legalscholarshipblog.com>. Serve as co-editor (with Pitt colleague), add content (2007-present).
- Created a blog to support law school's Trial Advocacy Program (Trial Ad Notes, <http://trialadnotes.blogspot.com>) (2005). As blog's audience grew beyond the program, expanded its coverage to include a variety of legal news and scholarship and renamed it Trial Ad (and other) Notes. Continue to post (2005-present).
- See list of publications, below.

**Other library, law school, and university activities:**

- Serve on law school committees
  - Curriculum Committee (1991-92, 1993-94)
  - Special Committee on Curricular Reform, 1993-95
  - Strategic Planning Committee (1996-98)
  - Special Committee on Writing in the J.D. Curriculum (1998-99)
  - Gender Study Committee (2001-05)
- Judge various moot court competitions (1988-present).
- Organize and perform in Law Revue skits (1991, 1992, 1993, 1997, 2000, 2001, 2009, 2010).
- Represented law library on one of UW Libraries' automation committees (LCAT Team), 1993.
- University Distinguished Librarian Award selection committee
  - member, 2009-10
  - chair, 2010-11

**Paul M. Hebert Law Center Library**  
**Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana**

Graduate Assistant, August 1986 - December 1987

Staffed reference office. Planned and supervised reorganization of comparative and foreign law collections; planned reorganization of collection of court records and briefs. Performed OCLC searches and cataloged monographs.

**Loyola University School of Law Library**  
**New Orleans, Louisiana.**

Assistant to the Director, September 1985 - January 1986. Reference Assistant, February - June 1986.

Planned and supervised move of a collection of over 120,000 printed volumes to new building, including inventory and space planning. Revised library guides to reflect change in shelving arrangement. Developed series of library guides for online databases; compiled public service statistics; staffed reference desk.

## **LEGAL EXPERIENCE**

**Women's Law and Public Policy Fellowship Program, Washington, D.C.**

Attorney/Fellow, 1984-1985

Placement: Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, Employment Discrimination Project

**Appellate Court Branch, Division of Enforcement Litigation,**  
**National Labor Relations Board, Washington, D.C.**

Attorney, 1983-1984

**Judge Stephanie K. Seymour, United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth**  
**Circuit, Tulsa, Oklahoma**

Law clerk, 1982-1983

## PUBLICATIONS

### Book

MARY WHISNER, PRACTICING REFERENCE: THOUGHTS FOR LIBRARIANS AND LEGAL RESEARCHERS (AALL Publications Series, Hein, 2006).

### Course Materials and Book Chapters

Mary A. Hotchkiss & Mary Whisner, *Communicating Research Results Through Writing*, in STEVEN M. BARKAN, ROY M. MERSKY & DONALD J. DUNN, LEGAL RESEARCH ILLUSTRATED 21-31 (9th ed. 2009).

Mary A. Hotchkiss & Mary Whisner, *Communicating Research Results Through Writing*, in STEVEN M. BARKAN, ROY M. MERSKY & DONALD J. DUNN, FUNDAMENTALS OF LEGAL RESEARCH 21-31 (9th ed. 2009).

LAW FOR THE NON-JD (2003) (materials for AALL workshop). Chapters by Mary Whisner: *Principles of Legal Analysis & Writing* (Part B), *Torts and Criminal Law* (Part E), *Administrative Law* (Part I), *Alternative Dispute Resolution* (Part L), and *Lifelong Learning* (Part O).

PENNY A. HAZELTON, ET AL., WASHINGTON LEGAL RESEARCHER'S DESKBOOK, 3D (2002) (Number 12 in the Marian Gould Gallagher Law Library Research Study Series). Chapter by Mary Whisner: *Fundamentals of Legal Research in Washington* (pp. 45-91).

LAW FOR THE NON-JD (2001) (materials for AALL workshop). Chapters by Mary Whisner: *Principles of Legal Analysis & Writing* (Part B), *Alternative Dispute Resolution* (Part H), *Administrative Law* (Part J), and *Lifelong Learning* (Part O).

MARY WHISNER & JAMES E. DUGGAN, LEGAL RESEARCH FOR NON-LAW LIBRARIANS (1999, 2000, 2001) (materials for SLA workshops, sponsored by West Group).

INTRODUCTION TO AMERICAN LAW: LAW FOR THE NON-JD (Tom Fleming & Mary Whisner eds., 1997) (materials for AALL institute). Chapters by Mary Whisner: *Perspectives on Practice* (pp. 33-36) and *Labor and Employment Law* (pp. 63-70). Chapter by Tom Fleming & Mary Whisner: *Continuing to Learn About Law* (pp. 81-87).

PENNY A. HAZELTON, ET AL., WASHINGTON LEGAL RESEARCHER'S DESKBOOK, 2D (1996) (Number 10 in the Marian Gould Gallagher Law Library Research Study Series). Chapter by Mary Whisner: *Fundamentals of Legal Research in Washington* (pp.69-132). Chapter by Peggy Roebuck Jarrett and Mary Whisner: *Nonlegal Research* (pp. 207-15). Chapter by Peggy Roebuck Jarrett, Nancy McMurrer, and Mary Whisner: *Computer-Assisted Legal Research* (pp. 217-38).

MARTIN CERJAN, ET AL., WASHINGTON LEGAL RESEARCHER'S DESKBOOK (1994) (Number 6 in the Marian Gould Gallagher Law Library Research Series). Chapters by Mary Whisner: *Basic Legal Research in Washington* (pp. 45-91), *Administrative Materials: Regulations* (pp. 93-108), *Glossary of Legal Research Terms* (pp.

299-306). Chapter by Penny A. Hazelton, Peggy Roebuck Jarrett, and Mary Whisner: *Computer-Assisted Legal Research* (pp. 227-62).

Continuing Legal Education materials, with several other authors: WASHINGTON LEGAL RESEARCH MADE EASY (University of Washington School of Law, Washington Law School Foundation, 1992).

Continuing Legal Education materials, with Penny Hazelton and Peggy Roebuck Jarrett: INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTER-ASSISTED LEGAL RESEARCH (University of Washington School of Law, Washington Law School Foundation, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993).

### ***Law Library Journal* "Practicing Reference" Column (quarterly column, 1999-present)**

- Mary Whisner, *Relevance, Choices, and the Goldilocks Problem*, 103 Law Libr. J. 307-11 (2011), available at <http://www.aallnet.org/main-menu/Publications/lj/Vol-103/Spring-2011/2011-19.pdf>.
- Mary Whisner, *Work Crunch*, 103 Law Libr. J. 147-51 (2010), available at [http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub\\_lj\\_v103n01/2011-08.pdf](http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub_lj_v103n01/2011-08.pdf).
- Mary Whisner, *The Rewards of Tedium*, 102 Law Libr. J. 657-63 (2010), available at [http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub\\_lj\\_v102n04/2010-37.pdf](http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub_lj_v102n04/2010-37.pdf).
- Mary Whisner, *Enact Locally*, 102 LAW LIBR. J. 497-506 (2010), available at [http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub\\_lj\\_v102n03/2010-27.pdf](http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub_lj_v102n03/2010-27.pdf).
- Mary Whisner, *Learning from Reference Experience*, 102 LAW LIBR. J. 309-14 (2010), available at [http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub\\_lj\\_v102n02/2010-17.pdf](http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub_lj_v102n02/2010-17.pdf).
- Mary Whisner, *Change and Continuity (Rip Van Winkle's Reference Office)*, 102 LAW LIBR. J. 141-45 (2010), available at [http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub\\_lj\\_v102n01/2010-07.pdf](http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub_lj_v102n01/2010-07.pdf).
- Mary Whisner, *The United States Code, Prima Facie Evidence, and Positive Law*, 101 LAW LIBR. J. 545-56 (2009), available at [http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub\\_lj\\_v101n04/2009-30.pdf](http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub_lj_v101n04/2009-30.pdf).
- Mary Whisner, *Getting Facts Straight (and Writing Well, Too)*, 101 LAW LIBR. J. 399-407 (2009), available at [http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub\\_lj\\_v101n03/2009-21.pdf](http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub_lj_v101n03/2009-21.pdf).
- Mary Whisner, *Mattress Tags and Pillow Cases*, 101 LAW LIBR. J. 235-47 (2009), available at [http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub\\_lj\\_v101n02/2009-14.pdf](http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub_lj_v101n02/2009-14.pdf).
- Mary Whisner, *Learning New Applications*, 101 LAW LIBR. J. 115-20 (2009), available at [http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub\\_lj\\_v101n01/2009-06.pdf](http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub_lj_v101n01/2009-06.pdf).
- Mary Whisner, *Seeking Inspiration*, 100 LAW LIBR. J. 773-77 (2008), available at [http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub\\_lj\\_v100n04/2008-44.pdf](http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub_lj_v100n04/2008-44.pdf).
- Mary Whisner, *Unanswerable Questions*, 100 LAW LIBR. J. 581-86 (2008), available at [http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub\\_lj\\_v100n03/2008-27.pdf](http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub_lj_v100n03/2008-27.pdf).
- Mary Whisner, *The Dreaded Bluebook*, 100 LAW LIBR. J. 393-99 (2008), available at [http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub\\_lj\\_v100n02/2008-20.pdf](http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub_lj_v100n02/2008-20.pdf).
- Mary Whisner, *Law Librarian, J.D. or Not J.D.?*, 100 LAW LIBR. J. 185-90 (2008), available at [http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub\\_lj\\_v100n01/2008-08.pdf](http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub_lj_v100n01/2008-08.pdf).
- Mary Whisner, *The Pajama Way of Research*, 99 LAW LIBR. J. 847-50 (2007), available at [http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub\\_lj\\_v99n04/2007-51.pdf](http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub_lj_v99n04/2007-51.pdf).

- Mary Whisner, *Just Looking*, 99 LAW LIBR. J. 663-67 (2007), available at [http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub\\_llj\\_v99n03/2007-38.pdf](http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub_llj_v99n03/2007-38.pdf).
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- Mary Whisner, *A Manual "To Inform Every Citizen"*, LAW LIBR. J.159-65 (2007), available at [http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub\\_llj\\_v99n01/2007-09.pdf](http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub_llj_v99n01/2007-09.pdf).
- Mary Whisner, *How Do You Know When Research Is Good?*, 98 LAW LIBR. J. 721-25 (2006), available at [http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub\\_llj\\_v98n04/2006-42.pdf](http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub_llj_v98n04/2006-42.pdf).
- Mary Whisner, *A Blog's Life*, 98 LAW LIBR. J. 559-67 (2006), available at [http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub\\_llj\\_v98n03/2006-32.pdf](http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub_llj_v98n03/2006-32.pdf).
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- Mary Whisner, *Researching Outside the Box*, 95 LAW LIBR. J. 467-73 (2003), available at [http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub\\_llj\\_v95n03/2003-36.pdf](http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub_llj_v95n03/2003-36.pdf).
- Mary Whisner, *Learning from Library Science*, 95 LAW LIBR. J. 295-301 (2003), available at [http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub\\_llj\\_v95n02/2003-15.pdf](http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub_llj_v95n02/2003-15.pdf).
- Mary Whisner, *These Are a Few of My Favorite Books*, 95 LAW LIBR. J.129-37 (2003), available at [http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub\\_llj\\_v95n01/2003-07.pdf](http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub_llj_v95n01/2003-07.pdf).
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- Mary Whisner, *Researching in an Imperfect World*, 91 LAW LIBR. J. 637-39 (1999).
- Mary Whisner, *Golf Buddy Reference Questions*, 91 LAW LIBR. J. 413-16 (1999).

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- Legal Scholarship Blog, <http://legalscholarshipblog.com> (August 2007-present).
- Gallagher Blogs, <http://gallagherlawlibrary.blogspot.com> (October 2008-present).
- Contributor to UW Law Career Planning, <http://uwlawcareerplanning.blogspot.com> (October 2008-present)
- Contributor to Shlep: Self-Help Law Express, <http://blogs.law.harvard.edu/shlep> (October 2006-February 2007).
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- Mary Whisner, *Innocence Project*, SR-SIS NEWSLETTER, Winter 2003, available at [http://www.aallnet.org/sis/srsis/newsletter/volume13/no13\\_1.html#Innocence](http://www.aallnet.org/sis/srsis/newsletter/volume13/no13_1.html#Innocence) (summary of an AALL program).
- Mary Whisner, *University of Washington Law Library: A Valuable State Resource*, WASH. J. , March 15, 1999, at 11 (LLOPS column).
- Mary Whisner, *Time-Saving Tips for Familiar Sources*, WASH. J. , Aug. 17, 1998, at 10 (LLOPS column).
- Mary Whisner, *Overview of LLOPS Spring Professional Development Program: History Forum*, LLOPSCITED, Summer 1998, at 7-10.
- Mary Whisner, *Using the Internet for Reference*, LLOPSCITED, March 1997, at 1.
- Mary Whisner, Nancy McMurrer & Peggy Roebuck Jarrett, *Foreign Law Research at the Gallagher Law Library*, LLOPSCITED, Fall 1995, at 1, reprinted in WESTPAC NEWS, May 1996, at 7).
- Mary Whisner, *Time Gain – ‘Net Profit: LLOPS Spring Professional Development Seminar*, LLOPSCITED, Summer 1995, at 10-11.
- Mary Whisner, *Surviving the E-Mail Explosion*, ALL-SIS NEWSLETTER, Spring 1994, at 8.

### **Cartoons**

- Comic strips and individual cartoons in *Beantown Beacon* (1993), *Seattle Soundings* (1994), *Pittsburgh Point* (1995), and *Capital Crossroads* (1999) (daily newspapers for AALL annual meetings).
- Other law library cartoons have appeared in *AALL Newsletter*, *AALL Spectrum*, and University of Washington School of Law *Profile*.

### **Other Scholarship**

- Member, Board of Advisers, *The Green Bag Almanac and Reader* (2006-present).
- Member, Panel of Academic Contributors for *Black's Law Dictionary*
  - 8th ed., 2004 (work performed in 2002-03).
  - 9th ed., forthcoming (work performed in 2008).

### **Miscellaneous**

- Profiled (based on email "interview") in LAURA TOWNSEND KANE, *STRAIGHT FROM THE STACKS: A FIRSTHAND GUIDE TO CAREERS IN LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE* (ALA Editions 2003).
- Quoted (based on email "interview") in Maya Norris, *The Accidental Profession: Work Experience, Education Prove Vital in Training Law Librarians*, AALL SPECTRUM, March 2002, at 26.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

### **American Association of Law Libraries**

- Moderator, "The TOC Market Report: Undervalued TOCs Yield Huge Dividends" (OBS-SIS self-sponsored program), AALL Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, July 28, 2009.
- Panelist, "Interns = Opportunity!" AALL Annual Meeting, St. Louis, July 9, 2006.
- Coordinator and faculty, AALL Workshop, Law for the Non-JD, Seattle, July 10-11, 2003. Presentations: "Principles of Legal Analysis and Legal Writing," "Torts and Criminal Law," "Administrative Law," and "Lifelong Learning."

- Panelist, "Not Your Mother's Law Professor: Re-Thinking Information Services for Academics," AALL Annual Meeting, Minneapolis, July 18, 2001. Handout is included in program materials book (Wed. volume) at 76-81.
- Faculty, AALL Workshop, Law for the Non-JD, Minneapolis, July 12-13, 2001. Presentations: "Principles of Legal Analysis and Legal Writing," "Alternative Dispute Resolution," and "Administrative Law."
- Panelist, "From Nutshells to Netscape: Covering the Basics through Research Instruction Programs," AALL Annual Meeting, Baltimore, July 21, 1997. Handout is included in program materials book at 15-18.
- Co-Director and Faculty, AALL Summer Institute, Introduction to American Law: Law for the Non-JD, Washington, DC, July 15-18, 1997. Presentations: "Labor and Employment Law" and "Continuing to Learn about Law." Handouts are included in program materials book at 63-70 and 81-87.
- Panelist, "Solving Foreign and International Requests with Sources in Your Library," AALL Annual Meeting, Indianapolis, July 23, 1996. Handout is included in program materials book, at 131-35.
- Panelist, "Preparing New Law Librarians for the Information Age (Part 2): Training and Education for Reference Work," AALL Annual Meeting, Pittsburgh, July 18, 1995. Handout is included in program materials book, at 241-45.
- Faculty, Presenter, AALL Summer Institute, Basic Legal Reference Services, Portland, Oregon, July 5-8, 1994. Presentations: "Nonlegal Reference Sources" and "Internet Applications." Handouts are included in program materials book.

### **Law Librarians of Puget Sound**

- Moderator, LLOPS Spring Professional Development Workshop, Librarians Mean Business: Lessons from the Boardroom, May 14, 2008. Panel on legal blogging.
- Presenter, LLOPS Spring Professional Development Workshop, What's Law Got to Do with It?, Seattle, May 12, 2004. Topics: "Torts and Criminal Law" and "Lifelong Learning."
- Moderator, "So Many Formats, So Little Time!" LLOPS Spring Professional Development Workshop, Seattle, April 14, 2000 (included panel discussion of AALL Satellite Videoconference, "Books and Bytes: Balancing Formats in Today's Libraries").
- Presenter, "Labor and Employment Law Research," LLOPS "Spring Training" professional development workshop, March 1994.
- Panelist, "Care and Feeding of Your Summer Associates," LLOPS, April 1991.

### **Special Libraries Association**

- Presenter (with James E. Duggan), Legal Research for Non-Law Librarians, San Antonio, June 10, 2001. Full-day program sponsored by West Group and SLA Legal Division. Spiral bound course materials include text, interactive exercises, and suggestions for further reading.
- Presenter (with James E. Duggan), Legal Research for Non-Law Librarians, Philadelphia, June 15, 2000. Full-day program sponsored by West Group and SLA Legal Division. Spiral bound course materials include text, interactive exercises, and suggestions for further reading.

- Presenter (with James E. Duggan), Legal Research for Non-Law Librarians, Eagan, MN, June 6, 1999. Full-day program sponsored by West Group and SLA Legal Division. Spiral bound course materials include text, interactive exercises, and suggestions for further reading.
- Panelist, "Using Electronic Media in International Legal Research," International Law Roundtable, Special Libraries Association Annual Meeting, Seattle, June 9, 1997. Handout was posted on Oceana's website after the presentation.

## **Other**

- Panelist, Northwest Clinical Law Teachers Conference, "Connecting and Collaborating Across the Law School," Leavenworth, WA, Oct. 10, 2010.
- Panelist, Washington State Bar Association Access to Justice Conference, "Show Me the Jobs: Creative Strategies for New Lawyers in Tough Economic Times," Wenatchee, WA, June 5, 2010.
- Panelist, King County Bar Association, Solo/Small Firms Section, "Social Media and Blogging: Ethical Concerns and Practical Advice," Seattle, WA, April 8, 2009.
- Speaker, Washington State Bar Association, Corporate Counsel Section dinner, "Summer Reading for Lawyers - Books on the Law and Lawyers," Seattle, WA, July 8, 2008.
- Panelist, "Research Explorations," University of Washington Libraries staff development, Seattle, WA, May 2, 2005.
- Panelist, "Remembering 1978: Coming Out at HLS," The First Reunion: Celebrating the 25th Anniversary of the Founding of the Committee on Gay and Lesbian Legal Issues (COGLLI) at Harvard Law School, Harvard Law School, Cambridge, MA, Sept. 20, 2003.
- Presenter, "Dictionaries Make Strange Bedfellows," Language & the Law Conference, sponsored by the Jamail Center for Legal Research at the University of Texas School of Law, Austin, TX, December 6-8, 2001.
- Presenter (with Penny A. Hazelton and Nancy McMurrer), Effective Legal Research, program for legal secretaries and paralegals, Institute for Continuing Education, Seattle, WA, October 26, 1995.
- Presenter (with other librarians) for Continuing Legal Education seminars, including all-day programs on Computer-Assisted Legal Research (1990, 1991, 1992) and Washington Legal Research (1992).

## **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

### **American Association of Law Libraries**

#### **Committees**

- Member, Special Committee on Benefits for AALL Members, 2001-2002
- Moderator for Professional Development Listserv, "Managing the Reference Inquiry as It Comes in from All Directions," February 24 - March 10, 1999
- Local Arrangements, 1994 meeting
  - Member, Transportation, Banquet, and Publicity committees; volunteer, Information and Hospitality
- Public Relations Advisory Committee, 1992-1993
  - Coordinator and moderator for program at 1993 Annual Meeting

- Special Committee on Public Relations, 1990-1992

### **AALL Institutes and Workshops**

#### **Faculty:**

- Coordinator and faculty, Workshop, Law for the Non-JD, Seattle, 2003
- Faculty, Workshop, Law for the Non-JD, Minneapolis, 2001
- Co-director and speaker, Institute, Introduction to American Law: Law for the Non-JD, Washington, DC, 1997
- Faculty, Institute on Basic Legal Reference Services, Portland, Oregon, 1994

#### **Participant:**

- Workshop on Public International Law: The Nuts and Bolts of Research, San Francisco, 1992
- Workshop on Making the Transition to Middle Management, New Orleans, 1991
- Institute on Teaching Legal Research in the Law Firm and Academic Environments, Sacramento, 1989
- Institute on Basic Legal Reference Services, Madison, 1987

### **Law Librarians of Puget Sound**

- Professional Development Committee
  - Member, 2006-2009
    - LLOPS received 2009 AALL Professional Development Award for the 2008 workshop, "Librarians Mean Business: Lessons from the Boardroom."
  - Chair, 1999-2000
  - Member, 1997-1999
  - Chair, 1994-1995
- Program Committee
  - Member, 1996-1997
  - Chair, 1995-1996
- Membership Committee
  - Member, 2001-2002
  - Chair, 1990-1991.
- Organizing Committee, Member, 1989-1990.

### **Northwest Women's Law Center**

- Sexual Harassment Committee, Member, 1988-1991.

### **American Civil Liberties Union of Louisiana**

- Board member, 1986-1987.

## **MEMBERSHIPS**

- American Association of Law Libraries, 1986-present
- Law Librarians of Puget Sound, 1990-present

- Western Pacific Chapter of AALL, 1988-present
- American Library Association, 1986-present
- New Orleans Association of Law Libraries, 1986-87
- Washington State Bar Association, 1983-present (inactive status since 2005)

## HONORS AND AWARDS

- University of Washington School of Law Dean's Medal (Staff), 2011
- University of Washington Distinguished Librarian Award, 2009
- AALL Joseph L. Andrews Bibliographical Award (with co-authors of *Washington Legal Researcher's Deskbook, 2d*), 1997
- LLOPS President's Excellence Award, 1997
- Beta Phi Mu, 1988
- American Association of Law Libraries scholarship, 1986-87
- Louisiana State University School of Library and Information Science scholarship, 1986-87
- Louisiana Library Association scholarship, 1986-87
- Phi Beta Kappa, 1978
- Academic scholarship to college (Carman Scholarship), 1974-77

## COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

### [Youth Tutoring Program](#)

- Tutor (2004-present)
- Tutor Advisory Council (2005-08)

### [Ballard Sedentary Sousa Band](#) (1993-present)