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Dear Colleague:

The Asian-American Law Librarians Caucus grew out of an informal gathering of a small number of Asian-American law librarians at the AALL meeting in Washington, D. C. seven years ago. The Caucus has been growing steadily ever since. It became a formal caucus of AALL in 1990. It has promoted communication among Caucus members, held annual business meetings with programs for the membership, and started sponsoring formal programs related to Asian law at the AALL annual meetings.

As the Boston meeting is just six weeks away, I want to report on this year's Caucus project and inform you of the activities planned for the meeting. To promote the Caucus and to attract a wide participation among Asian-American law librarians, I am sending this mailing to the librarians with Asian surnames listed in the AALL directory as well as to the current Caucus members.

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

Directory Committee members, Mon Yin Lung, Chair, University of Kansas School of Law Library, and Vianne Sha, University of Missouri-Columbia Law Library, are preparing the membership directory. As the enclosed Caucus bylaws state, anyone who is interested in the Caucus's purposes may become a member. Currently there are no membership dues. Please join us and share our common interests. The enclosed directory survey form needs to be returned by June 30, 1993. The new directory will be distributed at the Caucus business meeting in Boston.

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

The Caucus business meeting is scheduled for Sunday, July 11, from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. If you would like to suggest agenda items, please forward them to me as soon as possible.

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF VICE-PRESIDENT/PRESIDENT-ELECT

Nominating Committee members are working to nominate candidate(s) for the Office of Vice-President/President-Elect for the 1993/1994 term. If you would like to submit the names of candidates, contact Cossette Sun, Chair, Alameda County Law Library (510/272-6488), Le-Chi Gallagher, Bureau of National Affairs (202/452-4116), and Lorna Tang, University of Chicago D'Angelo Law Library (312/702-9619) no later than June 20, 1993. Election will be held at the Caucus business meeting.

CAUCUS-SPONSORED PROGRAM

The caucus, in conjunction with the FCIL SIS, is sponsoring a program on "The Legal Systems and Trade Laws of Thailand and Vietnam: Facilitating the Next Generation of Trade in Southeast Asia" on Tuesday, July 13, 1993, at 1:30 p.m. Three distinguished speakers will cover informative topics; bibliographies and directories will be provided to audiences.

TOURS AND DINNER

On Tuesday afternoon following the caucus sponsored program, the caucus members are invited to tour Harvard's Yenching Library, and the Asian collections of the Harvard Law Library.

On Tuesday night we will have our traditional dinner get-together at an authentic Thai restaurant, Siam Garden (45 1/2 M.T. Point, Auburn St.) in Cambridge. Two of the speakers for the afternoon program will present an evening slide show on life in Bangkok and travels in Vietnam. The complete dinner, including tax and tip, is \$21.95 per person. To whet your appetite, I am enclosing the dinner menu. Please make your reservation by sending the enclosed form to Helena Lai at CUNY Law School Library.

Check the AALL convention daily newsletter for detailed information on these activities.

Please plan to participate in these activities, and also invite your colleagues to join us. I look forward to seeing you in Boston.

Sincerely,

Heija B. Ryoo
President, Asian-American
Law Librarians Caucus

Encls: AALLC Bylaws
Directory Survey Form
Dinner Reservation Form with Menu

BYLAWS OF THE
ASIAN-AMERICAN LAW LIBRARIANS CAUCUS

ARTICLE I. Name.

The name of this organization shall be the Asian-American Law Librarians Caucus (AALLC).

ARTICLE II. Object.

The object of the Caucus shall be:

1. To enhance communication among Asian-American Law Librarians and between Asian-American law librarians and other librarians, especially law librarians;
2. To provide a forum for the exchange and promotion of ideas and information among all librarians interested in Asian law; and
3. To address issues related to the status and professional development of Asian-American law librarians and related concerns.

ARTICLE III. Membership.

Any person who is interested in the Caucus's purposes may become a member by requesting that his/her name be placed on the AALLC mailing list and by paying the membership dues.

ARTICLE IV. Meetings.

Section 1.

There shall be an annual membership meeting held during the annual meeting of the American Association of Law Libraries.

Section 2.

A quorum necessary to transact business at any annual meeting shall consist of the number of members actually present at the meeting, provided that notice of the meeting has been provided to all of the members.

ARTICLE V. Officers and Executive Committee.

Section 1. Officers.

The officers shall consist of a President, a Vice-President/President-Elect and a Secretary/Treasurer. The terms of office for the President and for the Vice-President/President-Elect shall be one year. The term of office for the Secretary/Treasurer shall be two years. Officers shall serve until the end of the meeting at which new election results are announced. The Vice-President/President-Elect shall automatically become President at the end of her/his one-year term.

Section 2. Executive Committee.

There shall be an Executive Committee consisting of the officers named above and the immediate past-President.

Section 3. Vacancies.

The occurrence of a vacancy in the position of President shall be filled by appointment of the Executive Committee until the next scheduled election of officers. Any other vacancies may be similarly appointed or may remain vacant until the next regularly scheduled election.

Section 4. Dues.

The Executive Committee shall set the annual dues.

ARTICLE VI. Nomination and Election of Officers.

Section 1. Nomination.

There shall be a Nominating/Elections Committee appointed by the Executive Committee. The committee shall nominate candidates for each office. Names of candidates shall be presented by the Nominating/Elections Committee at the Annual Meeting, or they may be mailed to the membership in advance.

Section 2. Elections.

The Nominating/Elections Committee shall have charge of the conduct of the annual election and the counting and tabulation of all votes cast. In case of a tie vote, a run-off election shall be held. The candidates with the largest number of votes will be declared elected.

ARTICLE VII. Amendments to the Bylaws.

Section 1. Amendments.

These bylaws may be amended at the annual meeting of the Caucus, by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

Section 2. Notice of Proposed Amendments.

Notice of proposed amendments shall be mailed to the membership at least 30 days in advance of the meeting.

Adopted 7/22/91

DINNER RESERVATION FORM

NAME: _____

LIBRARY: _____

Seat(s) reserved: _____ (\$21.95 each).

Total amount enclosed: _____

Helena Lai
Secretary/Treasurer, AALLC
CUNY Law School Library
65-21 Main St.
Flushing, NY 11367

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Appetizers (2):

Chicken Satay

Golden Triangles (Tofu)

Pad Thai
Green Curry Chicken (Medium hot)
Magic Vegetables (mixed veg.)
Kang Pa (seafood dish with shrimp,
scallops, squid and fish)
Beef with Basil
White Rice

Fruit

Coffee or Tea