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Ms. Dorothy Li  
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Dear Dorothy:

I agree with the proposal that the name of the Group be changed to Asian American Law Librarians Caucus. The AALL Bylaws provide that any group of Association members may form a caucus and if the caucus operates for at least three (3) years and has 50 voting members, it may become a Special Interest Section (SIS) of the Association. Once we achieve the SIS status we will be able to receive funding, support of AALL Headquarters, and other benefits from the Association.

In addition, I would like to recommend the following changes and additions to the draft Bylaws for consideration by our membership:

Article II. Object. Delete "and" before 3) and add "and 4) to foster a spirit of cooperation among the members of the law library profession." to the end of this Article.

Article III. Membership. Delete "Section 1. Membership" and add "and by paying the membership dues." to the end of this Article.

Article V. Officers and Executive Committee.

Section 1. Officers. Change "Secretary" to "Secretary/Treasurer."

Section 3. Vacancies. 1st sentence. Replace "...by appointment of the Executive Committee..." with "...by the Vice-President/President-Elect, who shall serve until the end of her/his own elected term." 2nd sentence. Replace "...may be similarly appointed" with "...may be filled by appointment of the Executive Committee until the next scheduled election of officers."

Add "Section 4. Dues. The Executive Committee shall set the annual dues." after Section 3.

Article VI. Nomination and Election of Officers.

Section 1. Nomination. 3rd sentence. Add "and their biographical information" after "Names of candidates".

The Committee did an outstanding job in drafting these Bylaws. They deserve our appreciation and recognition at the membership meeting.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Paul".

Paul S. Fu  
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BYLAWS OF THE  
ASIAN-AMERICAN LAW LIBRARIANS GROUP  
(Draft for Discussion, May 1, 1991)

ARTICLE I. Name. The name of this organization shall be the Asian-American Law Librarians Group (AALLG).

ARTICLE II. Object. The object of the Group 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. Section 1. Membership. Any person who is interested in the Group's purposes may become a member by requesting that his/her name be placed on the AALLG mailing list.

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. 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 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.

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 Group, 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.