

**Southern Chapter/MLA Governmental Relations Committee
Annual Report 2003-2004**
October 2004

Committee Members

New members this year are Sondra Pfeiffer (Alabama), Peter Shipman (Georgia), Virginia Segrest (Mississippi), Leslie Duncan (Tennessee), and Efrain Flores-Rivera (Puerto Rico). The current members are:

Members	State	Term Ends
Sondra Pfeiffer	Alabama	2004
Rae Jesano	Florida	2004
Peter Shipman	Georgia	2005
Virginia Segrest	Mississippi	2006
Roz McConnaughy	South Carolina	2006
Leslie Duncan	Tennessee	2005
Efrain Flores-Rivera	Puerto Rico	2006

Rotating off this year will be Sondra Pfeiffer (Alabama) and Rae Jesano (Florida). We will be looking for replacements for these two states.

Two articles were submitted and published in Southern Expressions.

- The Legislative Scorecard. Southern Expressions. 2004; 20 (1):17.
- “Take Action!” at ALA.org. Southern Expressions. 2004; 20 (3): 11.

ALAWON Messages

In the past, each committee member was responsible for creating and maintaining a list of Southern Chapter members in their state and distributing appropriate American Library Association Washington Office Newslines (ALAWON) messages to them via email. This year we made a procedural change. The committee chair now sends the ALAWON messages directly to the Southern Chapter listserv (SOCHAP-L).

Forty messages from ALAWON were distributed to Southern Chapter members via email. The ALAWON Archives are available at:

<http://www.ala.org/ala/washoff/washnews/news.htm>.

Committee Manual

The committee manual was revised and updated. The manual is now available online at the Southern Chapter’s web site at:

http://www.scmla.org/docs/gov_relations_manual.pdf.

Respectfully submitted,

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