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GPO DIRECTOR NAMES NEW MEMBERS TO THE DEPOSITORY LIBRARY COUNCIL

WASHINGTON – U.S. Government Publishing Office (GPO) Director Hugh Nathaniel Halpern announces the appointment of five new members to the Depository Library Council (DLC), each of whom serves a three-year term. DLC members advise the GPO Director on policy matters relating to the Federal Depository Library Program (FDLP). In addition to experience working in various types of libraries, the new DLC members have experience with and knowledge of current developments in the fields of library science and U.S. Government information. With the increasing dissemination of information in electronic formats, these new members will help position the DLC and the FDLP for the GPO’s ongoing mission of Keeping America Informed.

“GPO works to produce Government information that is accessible to all Americans, and we couldn’t do it without our library community,” said GPO Director Hugh Nathaniel Halpern. “Our library partners play a vital role in increasing awareness of Government documents and how to access them. I look forward to working with these new members of the Council.”

These five new DLC members will serve June 1, 2020 through May 31, 2023.


Julia Ezzo: Government Information and Political Science Librarian at Michigan State University (MSU). As the FDLP Coordinator for MSU’s large selective depository library, she provides reference assistance and instruction with an emphasis on finding and using Government-produced data and statistics. She is active in the American Library Association (ALA)’s Government Documents Round Table (GODORT), has held leadership roles in Michigan’s GODORT, and serves as a moderator for the GOVDOC-L listserv.
Lisa Pritchard: Director of Library Services and Coordinator of Government Documents at Jefferson College in Missouri, one of a small number of FDLP depositories housed at community colleges. Jefferson College Library doubles as a public library, providing a range of services to the local population. Pritchard teaches, hosts events, and collaborates with campus and community partners to enhance civic engagement and increase awareness of Government documents, our country’s history, and the democratic process.

Vicki Tate: Federal Depository Coordinator and Head of the Government Documents and Serials Department at the University of South Alabama Libraries. Tate has over 30 years of experience in the Government documents field in an academic setting. She has been a strong advocate of access to Government information in all formats. At numerous professional meetings, she has presented workshops on finding fugitive Government documents and using LibGuides in promoting Government information. She is an active member of ALA’s GODORT, having served in various capacities including Bylaws Coordinator, GODORT Archivist, and Notable Documents Panelist. She is also one of the longest-serving moderators for GOVDOC-L, a national discussion forum for Government information.

Renée Bosman: Government Information Librarian at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Bosman manages the Federal, international, and U.S. state documents collections and serves as the Regional Federal Depository Librarian for North Carolina. She is also the subject liaison librarian for the Political Science and History departments, and for the curriculum in Peace, War, and Defense. Bosman is actively involved in the Government Resources Section of the North Carolina Library Association and is also the current chair of the ASERL Collaborative Federal Depository Program Steering Committee.

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