

## Organizations Endorsing The Statement On Faculty Status

The following organizations have endorsed the statement on faculty status:

Association of College and Research Libraries	June 1972
Colorado Library Association	December 1972
American Association of University Professors	April 1972
Wisconsin Association of Academic Librarians	April 1972
Association of Academic and Research Libraries, Washington Library Association	May 1973
Southeastern Library Association	July 1973
New Mexico Library Association	July 1973
District of Columbia Library Association	July 1973
Mississippi Library Association	July 1973
West Virginia Library Association	July 1973
Tennessee Library Association	July 1973
Virginia Library Association	August 1973
Oregon Library Association	September 1973

Southwestern Library Association	September 1973
Ohio Library Association	September 1973
Florida Library Association	September 1973
Missouri Library Association	September 1973
California Library Association	September 1973
Special Libraries Association	October 1973
Association of Research Libraries*	October 1973
Wisconsin Library Association	October 1973
College and University Section, Georgia Library Association	October 1973
Georgia Library Association	October 1973
Academic Division, Minnesota Library Association	October 1973
Theatre Library Association	October 1973
Rhode Island Library Association	November 1973

A draft version of the statement was endorsed in principle by the North Carolina State Board of Higher Education, Advisory Committee of Librarians, in May 1972.

\* VOTED "that the Board endorse in principle faculty status for professional librarians, and commend to the attention of all college and university administrations the 'Joint Statement on Faculty Status of College and University Librarians.'"

## Librarians Win Williams & Wilkins Reversal

*Robert Wedgeworth, executive director of ALA, recently issued the following statement on the Williams & Wilkins decision.*

On November 27, 1973, the U.S. Court of Claims issued a historic decision with respect to *Williams & Wilkins vs. the United States*. Plaintiff, the Williams & Wilkins Company, a medical publisher, had charged that the Department of Health, Education and Welfare (HEW) through the National Institute of Health (NIH) and the National Library of Medicine (NLM) had infringed plaintiff's copyrights in certain of its medical journals by making unauthorized photocopies of articles from those journals. The court decided in favor of the government in this case. The key factor in the decision in the court's opinion was that the plaintiff failed to sustain the assumption that the defendant's photocopying activities were, in fact, injurious to the financial health of the journals concerned. While we may hail this as an important victory, we must keep in mind that the court in-

dedicated in its decision that the problem of photocopying materials under copyright would be best resolved through legislation. This means that with respect to a revision of the copyright law, there is a great deal of work ahead in order to assure that such a law protects the public interest with respect to access to information consistent with the decision of the U.S. Court of Claims.

### CORRECTION

A sharp-eyed reader informs us that our item about Inforasia on page 275 in the November (No. 10) issue has a typographic error which may lead to problems with the Japanese post office. The address of the Japan English Service is correct up to the prefecture. The *Chiga-ken* is in reality *Chiba-ken*. Sorry.