

Organizations Endorsing The Statement On Faculty Status

The following organizations have endorsed the statement on faculty status:

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| 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 |

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| 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.

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