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ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS

Master of Science in Library and Information Science, 1995
The University of Tennessee
Knoxville, Tennessee

Master of Arts in English Literature, 1993
Memphis State University
Memphis, Tennessee

Bachelor of Arts in English, 1991
Glassboro State College
Glassboro, New Jersey

CONTINUING EDUCATION

The Best Books of the Past Decade for Teens and How to Use Them in Your Program,
Bureau of Education & Research, February 9, 2009

Tennessee Electronic Library (TEL) Train-the Trainer Workshop, Tennessee Library
Association, June 24, 2008

The Literature of Fact: Informational Materials for Youth, Association for Library
Services to Children, June 19-20, 2003

Teaching Appalachia: Fact and Fiction, East Tennessee Historical Society, June 13, 2003

Facing History and Ourselves Tennessee Summer Institute, June 10-12, 2003

Facing History and Ourselves Introductory and Follow-Up Workshops, March 27-28,
2003

Getting Graphic @ Your Library, Young Adult Library Services Association, June 14,
2002

Basic Management Skills Institute, Association of Research Libraries, March 21-23,
2000

Selecting the Best Children's Materials: Training in Leadership Skills, Association of

Library Services to Children, January 13-14, 2000

What Young Adults Want: Quality Service in Library Settings, New York Library Association, October 27, 1999

Teens in the 21st Century: Access for the Future, Young Adult Library Services Association, June 24-25, 1999

Reaching the Teenage Reader, New York University School of Continuing and Professional Studies, March 20, 1999

What Young Adults *Really* Read and Why, Young Adult Library Services Association, June 27, 1997

WORK EXPERIENCE

April 2001-Present Series Editor

Scarecrow Press

Rowman & Littlefield Publishing Group

Lanham, Maryland

Duties and Responsibilities: Serve as acquisitions editor for *Scarecrow Resource Guides*, a series of books for librarians and teachers that encourages the use of children's and young adult literature in teaching a variety of subjects and themes across the curriculum. Responsibilities include soliciting manuscripts, assisting potential authors in the development of proposals and projects, and editing manuscripts for overall content and organization.

August 2007-May 2009 Library Information Specialist

Lake City Middle School

Anderson County Schools

Lake City, Tennessee

Duties and Responsibilities: Managed all aspects of library media center program for a grade 6-8 school serving rural communities. Administered acquisitions budget, develop and maintain book and audiovisual collections. Regularly taught library skills classes and conduct booktalking, reading aloud, and literacy programs. Supervise student workers and volunteers.

August 2003-May 2007 Library Information Specialist

Hardin Valley Elementary School

Knox County Schools

Knoxville, Tennessee

Duties and Responsibilities: Managed all aspects of a busy library media center program for a large K-5 school. Administered acquisitions budget, developed and maintained book and audiovisual collections. Regularly taught library skills classes and conducted booktalking, reading aloud, and storytelling programs. Supervised student workers and volunteers.

August 2001-July 2003 Library Information Specialist

**White Pine School
Jefferson County Schools
White Pine, Tennessee**

Duties and Responsibilities: Managed all aspects of busy library media center for a K-8 school in a rural setting. Administered acquisitions budget, developed and maintained book and audiovisual collections. Regularly taught library skills classes and conducted booktalking, reading aloud, and storytelling programs. Supervised instructional assistant and student workers.

June 2001-August 2002 Adjunct Instructor

**School of Information Sciences
The University of Tennessee
Knoxville, Tennessee**

Duties and Responsibilities: Taught graduate level course, Library Materials for Young Adults.

August 2000-April 2001 Director

**Langston Hughes Library
Children's Defense Fund/Former Alex Haley Farm
Clinton, Tennessee**

Duties and Responsibilities: Managed all aspects of a 5,000 volume private library and research center with collection focusing on the following areas: African-American culture, history, and theology, child advocacy, and children's and young adult literature. Responsibilities included cataloging the library collection, collection development, creating an acquisitions and operations budget, developing and maintaining the library web site, outreach to the east Tennessee region, and programming for local and national audiences.

January 2000-July 2000 Supervising Young Adult Specialist

**The New York Public Library
Staten Island Borough Office
Staten Island, New York**

Duties and Responsibilities: Supervised all aspects of young adult services for twelve branch libraries. Trained and mentored young adult librarians. Served as consultant to branch managers on young adult services. Planned special programs in cooperation with middle and high schools, including author visits, library tours, and technology demonstrations and training. Planned and conducted teacher in-service workshops on a variety of subjects, and technology training for library staff. Coordinated outreach efforts to schools and community agencies working with adolescents. Participated in the planning, promotion, and execution of the annual city-wide summer reading program for teens.

January 1999-May 2000 Adjunct Associate Professor
Division of Library and Information
St. John's University
Staten Island, New York

Duties and Responsibilities: Taught graduate courses in Library Materials for Children and Library Materials for Young Adults for the university's master of library science program.

October 1997-December 1999 Senior Project Librarian
The New York Public Library
Connecting Libraries and Schools Project (CLASP)
Staten Island, New York

Duties and Responsibilities: Provided outreach service to public, private, and parochial schools through class visits in schools and in the public library. Planned special programs in cooperation with schools, including author visits, library tours, parent workshops, and technology demonstrations and training. Planned and conducted teacher in-service workshops on a variety of subjects, technology training for library staff, and family literacy programs for children and their parents. Participated in the planning, promotion, and execution of the annual city-wide summer reading program. Served as Staten Island representative to the New Professionals Committee. Administered collection development budgets for several branch libraries. Supervised the work of clerical staff and volunteers.

January 1996-October 1997 Young Adult Librarian
The New York Public Library
Staten Island Branch Libraries
Staten Island, New York

Duties and Responsibilities: Served as young adult specialist for a culturally, economically, and ethnically diverse neighborhood and regional branch libraries in Staten Island. Responsibilities included reference, planning and conducting programs for teenage patrons, visiting local intermediate and high schools, materials evaluation and selection, collection development, and developing community outreach programs. Supervise clerical staff, pages, paraprofessionals, volunteers, and other professional librarians. Other professional responsibilities include serving on committees for NYPL's Office of Young Adult Services that address a variety of issues concerning service to young adults.

February 1995-May 1995 Reference Librarian
Lamar Memorial Library
Maryville College
Maryville, Tennessee

Duties and Responsibilities: Provided general reference services to undergraduate students, community patrons, faculty, and staff. Instructed students in use of OPAC, Internet, electronic databases, and print resources. Instructed faculty and staff in use of Internet search tools and resources.

August 1994-May 1995 Graduate Teaching Assistant
School of Information Sciences
The University of Tennessee
Knoxville, Tennessee

Duties and Responsibilities: Assisted faculty members with research projects and course development.

August 1993-May 1994 English Teacher
Mt. Pleasant Christian Academy
Mt. Pleasant, Mississippi

Duties and Responsibilities: Taught tenth, eleventh, and twelfth grade English. Revised senior high school English curriculum. Faculty advisor to annual staff.

September 1993-May 1994 Adjunct Professor
Department of English
Memphis State University
Memphis, Tennessee

Duties and Responsibilities: Taught English Composition and Analysis, a second semester freshman writing course, and English Literature since 1798, a sophomore level survey course examining representative authors from the Romantic, Victorian, and Modernist periods.

September 1992-May 1993 Graduate Teaching Assistant
Department of English
Memphis State University
Memphis, Tennessee

Duties and Responsibilities: Taught English Composition, a first semester writing course covering the following content: prewriting techniques; the writing process; editing skills for peers and self; and writing in various styles.

September 1991-August 1992 Graduate Research Assistant
Department of English
Memphis State University
Memphis, Tennessee

Duties and Responsibilities: Worked as assistant editor for *Quondam et Futurus: A Journal of Arthurian Interpretations*, an official publication of the International Arthurian Society. Responsibilities included editing manuscripts, corresponding with contributors and subscribers, maintaining subscription records, layout and design of the journal, and mailing out the finished product to subscribers.

AWARDS, GRANTS, AND HONORS

2009 Anderson County Chamber of Commerce Education Foundation Mini-Grant

2008 Dollar General Youth Literacy Grant

2008 Jefferson Cup Honor Award for Distinguished History Book for Young People

2007 Parents' Choice Silver Honor Award for *The Ultimate Weapon: The Race to Develop the Atomic Bomb*

2005 Invited Participant, *School Library Journal* Leadership Summit

2004 Advisory Board, *The Continuum Encyclopedia of Young Adult Literature*

2003 Southern Poverty Law Center Teaching Tolerance Grant

2003 University of Southern Mississippi Ezra Jack Keats /de Grummond Collection Research Fellowship

2002 Ezra Jack Keats Foundation Mini-Grant

SELECTED LECTURES, PRESENTATIONS & WORKSHOPS

"Nonfiction is Literature, Too: Informational Books at the Heart of the Curriculum."
Center for Children's and Young Adult Literature, University of Tennessee, Knoxville,
November 13, 2007

"New Children's Books for the Science and Social Studies Curriculum." Smoky
Mountain Reading Council, Knoxville, Tennessee, January 26, 2006

"Nonfiction is Literature, Too: Informational Books and Recreational Reading."
Tennessee Association of School Librarians, Chattanooga, November 6, 2004

"Booktalking the Award Winners," Tennessee Library Association Annual Conference,
Knoxville, Tennessee, March 19, 2004

"Ideas That Work: Putting the 'New' in Your Newsletter," Tennessee Library Association
Annual Conference, Knoxville, Tennessee, March 18, 2004

"Reading Tennessee: The Volunteer State in Children's Literature," Smoky Mountain
Reading Council, Knoxville, Tennessee, January 29, 2004

"Race Matters: Interracial Relationships in Young Adult Fiction," Assembly on
Literature for Adolescents (ALAN) Workshop, National Council of Teachers of
English Annual Conference, San Francisco, November 24, 2003

"Reaching Reluctant Readers," Tennessee Association of School Librarians, Franklin,
Tennessee, November 21, 2003

"How to Be a Reading Role Model for Your Child," Hardin Valley Elementary School
Parent-Teacher Association, Knoxville, Tennessee, November 11, 2003

"Exploring Tennessee through Children's and Young Adult Literature," East Tennessee Education Association, Knoxville, Tennessee, October 24, 2003

"Get Real: Booktalking Nonfiction to Teens" American Library Association-Canadian Library Association Joint Annual Conference, Toronto, June 23, 2003

"Exploring Tennessee through Children's and Young Adult Literature," Tennessee Library Association Annual Conference, Chattanooga, Tennessee, April 4, 2003

"Programming for Teens—It's Not As Scary As It Sounds!" Tennessee Library Association Annual Conference, Chattanooga, Tennessee, April 3, 2003

"Picture Books Everyone Should Know." Tennessee Library Association Support Staff Workshop, Blount County Public Library, Maryville, Tennessee, February 28, 2003

"Exploring Tennessee through Children's and Young Adult Literature," Tennessee Association of School Librarians, Franklin, Tennessee, October 18, 2002

"Reaching Reluctant Teen Readers," Tennessee Library Association, Nashville, Tennessee, March 27, 2002

"Make the Connection: How Public and School Libraries Can Work Together," Tennessee Library Association, Nashville, Tennessee, March 27, 2002

"Beyond Anne Frank: Recent Holocaust Literature for Young Adults," Assembly on Literature for Adolescents (ALAN) Workshop, National Council of Teachers of English Annual Conference, Baltimore, Maryland, November 20, 2001

"Serving Youth in Public Libraries," School of Information Sciences Career Night, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, November 2, 2001

"Tales from the Front: Teens and Public Libraries," Alumni Appreciation Day, University of Tennessee School of Information Sciences, Knoxville, June 2, 2001

"Using Young Adult Literature Across the Curriculum," Anning S.Pral Intermediate School, Staten Island, New York, December 7, 1999

"Secrets from the Shopping Mall: Marketing Your Young Adult Collection," Nassau Public Library System, Uniondale, New York, October 14, 1999

"Secrets from the Shopping Mall: Marketing Your Young Adult Collection," New York Library Association Spring Conference, Fishkill, New York, April 23, 1999

"Public Library Outreach Services to Youth: The CLASP Model," Rutgers University, School of Communication, Information and Library Studies, New Brunswick, New

Jersey, April 5, 1999

"Multicultural Literature for Children and Young Adults," District 31 Board of Education, Staten Island, New York, October 6, 1998

"Books for Reluctant Readers," Staten Island Literacy Network, Staten Island, New York, May 8, 1998

"What's New in Young Adult Literature?," Staten Island Literacy Network, Staten Island, New York, March 12, 1998

"What's New in Children's Literature?," Staten Island Literacy Network, Staten Island, New York, November 14, 1997

"Young Adult Literature in the Classroom," Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, Kentucky, August 21, 1997

"Reading Aloud in Middle School," Staten Island Reading Association, Staten Island, New York, April 10, 1997

PUBLICATIONS: BOOKS

Milton Meltzer: In Pursuit of Truth—contracted work in progress for Scarecrow Press.

Appalachia in Literature for Youth: A Guide and Resource Book—contracted work in progress for Scarecrow Press.

The Ultimate Weapon: The Race to Develop the Atomic Bomb. Holiday House, 2007. (0-8234-1855-3)

Reaching Reluctant Young Adult Readers: A Handbook for Librarians and Teachers. Scarecrow Press, 2002. (0-8108-4343-9)

The Holocaust in Literature for Youth: A Guide and Resource Book. Scarecrow Press, 1999. (0-8101-3607-6)

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS: ARTICLES, BIBLIOGRAPHIES & INTERVIEWS

"The Bard's Still the Thing: Shakespeare for Young Readers." *Book Links: Connecting Books, Libraries, and Classrooms* 18.5 (May 2009): 31-36.

"Talking with Bruce Coville." *Book Links: Connecting Books, Libraries, and Classrooms* 18.5 (May 2009): 37-38.

"Talking with Deborah Ellis." *Book Links: Connecting Books, Libraries, and Classrooms*

- 18.2 (November 2008): 24-26.
- "War on the Home Front." *Book Links: Connecting Books, Libraries, and Classrooms* 18.2 (November 2008): 53-55.
- Lucinda Scanlon and Edward T. Sullivan. "2006 Tennessee Bibliography." *Tennessee Libraries* 57.3 (2007) <http://www.tnla.org/associations/5700/files/TLv57n3biblio.pdf>
- Lucinda Scanlon and Edward T. Sullivan. "2005 Tennessee Bibliography." *Tennessee Libraries* 56.3 (2006) <http://www.tnla.org/associations/5700/files/tlbiblio05.pdf>
- "Henry David Thoreau." *Book Links: Connecting Books, Libraries, and Classrooms* 14.4 (March 2005): 35-36.
- "Talking with D.B. Johnson." *Book Links: Connecting Books, Libraries, and Classrooms* 14.4 (March 2005): 38-39.
- "Books for the Young Naturalist." *Book Links: Connecting Books, Libraries, and Classrooms* 14.2 (November 2004): 60-63.
- "Adventures on the High Seas." *Book Links: Connecting Books, Libraries, and Classrooms* 14.1 (September 2004): 53-59.
- "Going All the Way: First-Time Sexual Experiences of Teens in Fiction." *VOYA: Voice of Youth Advocates* 26.6 (February 2004): 461-463.
- "Wrestling with Faith in Young Adult Fiction." *Booklist* 100.3 (October 1, 2003): 331.
- "Fiction or Poetry? A Look at Novels in Verse." *School Library Journal* 49.8 (August 2003): 44-45.
- "Plugging Into Your Profession." *Footnotes: The Newsletter of the Tennessee Association of School Librarians* 21.3 (July 2003): 6.
- "The Sibert Award: Nonfiction Finally Gets Some Overdue Recognition." *Footnotes: The Newsletter of the Tennessee Association of School Librarians* 21.2 (March 2003): 6-7.
- "Series Fiction Helps Reluctant Readers Become Lifelong Readers." *CBC Features* 56.1 (Spring 2003): 8.
- "Keeping Up with Books on the Internet." *Footnotes: The Newsletter of the Tennessee Association of School Librarians* 21.1 (January 2003): 7.
- "Talking with Jim Arnosky." *Book Links: Connecting Books, Libraries, and Classrooms* 12.2 (October/November 2002): 37-42.

- "The Volunteer State: Exploring Tennessee through Literature." *Book Links: Connecting Books, Libraries, and Classrooms* 12.1 (August/September 2002): 9-16.
- "Race Matters: Interracial Relationships and Racial Identity Issues in Young Adult Fiction." *School Library Journal* 48.6 (June 2002): 40-41.
- "The Holocaust Fiction of Carol Matas" *The ALAN Review* 29.2 (Winter 2002): 4-6.
- "A Telephone Interview with Carol Matas" *The ALAN Review* 29.2 (Winter 2002): 7-10.
- "Beyond Anne Frank: Recent Holocaust Literature for Youth." *The New Advocate* 15.1 (Winter 2002): 49-55.
- "Celebrating Langston Hughes" *Book Links: Connecting Books, Libraries, and Classrooms* 11.3 (December 2001/January 2002): 36-40.
- "Information, Please: Books to Inform and Entertain." *Voices from the Middle* 9.2 (December 2001): 83-84.
- "Connect with Success: A Few Tips for Successful Public and School Library Cooperation." *Journal of Youth Services in Libraries* 14.3 (Spring 2001): 13.
- "Teenagers are NOT Baggage: They Don't Need Handling." *Public Libraries* 40.2 (March/April 2001): 11-13.
- "Beyond Homework: Biographies as Pleasure Reading." *School Library Journal* 47.2 (February 2001): 38-39.
- "Some Teens Prefer It Real: The Case for Young Adult Nonfiction" *English Journal* 90.3 (January 2001): 43-47.
- "Food Books to Sink Your Teeth Into." *Book Links: Connecting Books, Libraries, and Classrooms* 10.2 (October/November 2000): 56-61
- "Judging Books by Their Covers, Part II: Hardcover vs. Paperback." *VOYA: Voice of Youth Advocates* 23.4 (October 2000): 244-248.
- "Talking with Michael Cadnum about *The Book of the Lion*." *Preview: A Magazine on Books for Teenagers* 2.1(Spring 2000): 36-37.
- "The Printz Award: Will It Finally Legitimize YA Titles?" *Today's Librarian* 3.5 (May 2000): 16-17.
- "More Is Not Always Better: The Sorry State of Young Adult Nonfiction Series

- Publishing." *School Library Journal* 46.4 (April 2000): 42-43.
- "Introducing Adele Griffin." *VOYA: Voice of Youth Advocates* 22.5 (December 1999): 320-321.
- "Witchcraft 101: Does Your Collection Have What Teens Want?" *School Library Journal* 45.10 (October 1999): 47-48.
- "Arthurian Literature for Young People." *Book Links: Connecting Books, Libraries, and Classrooms* 8.5 (May 1999): 29-33.
- "Solving the Short Story Puzzle." *School Library Journal* 45.1 (January 1999): 38-39.
- "Learning about the Holocaust." *VOYA: Voice of Youth Advocates* 21.5 (December 1998): 337-339.
- "Let 'Em Eat Poetry: Tools for Turning On Middle Schoolers to Reading and Writing Poetry." *Book Links: Connecting Books, Libraries, and Classrooms* 8.2 (November 1998): 14-19.
- "Judging Books by Their Covers: A Cover Art Experiment." *VOYA: Voice of Youth Advocates* 21.3 (August 1998): 180-182.
- "Everything You Always Wanted to Know about Puberty . . . and More." *Book Links: Connecting Books, Libraries, and Classrooms* 7.1 (September 1997): 40-44.
- "Nothing but Net: Basketball Books for Young Adults." *The ALAN Review* 24.3 (Spring 1997): 53-56.
- "To Buy or Not to Buy: The Cases for and Against Young Adult Hardcover Fiction." *VOYA: Voice of Youth Advocates* 19.6 (February 1997): 321-322.

PUBLICATIONS: BOOK CONTRIBUTIONS

- "ALAN," "Janet Bode," "Caroline Cooney," "Cover Art," "Chris Crowe," "Cathi Hanauer," "James S. Haskins," "Angela Johnson," "Elaine Landau," "Ellen Levine," "Margaret A. Edwards Award," "Albert Marrin," "Elizabeth Partridge," "Michael L. Printz Award," "Barbara Rogasky," "Charles R. Smith," Mildred Pitts Walter," "Young Adult Library Services Association." *The Continuum Encyclopedia of Young Adult Literature*. Eds. Bernice E. Cullinan, Bonnie L. Kunzel, and Deborah A. Wooten. Continuum, 2005. (0-8264-1710-8)
- "Libraries and Children's Reading Programs." *The Continuum Encyclopedia of Children's Literature*. Eds. Bernice E. Cullinan and Diane Goetz Person. Continuum, 2001. (0-826-4127-18)
- "Learn to Surf the World Wide Web with Webmeister Ed." *Sizzling Summer Reading*

Programs for Young Adults. Ed. Katharine L. Kan. Young Adult Library Services Association, 1998. (0-8389-3480-3)

"Murder in the Library." *Solve It @ the Library 1998 New York State Summer Reading Manual*. New York Library Association, 1998.

EDITORIAL AND REVIEWING ACTIVITIES

Assistant Editor, *Quondam et Futurus: A Journal of Arthurian Interpretations*, 1991-1992

Audiovisual Materials Reviewer for *School Library Journal*, 1997-1999

Book Reviewer for *The ALAN Review*, 1999-present

Book Reviewer for *Booklist*, 2002-present

Book Reviewer for *The Book Report*, 2001-2002

Book Reviewer for *The Horn Book Magazine* and *Horn Book Review*, 2005-present

Book Reviewer for *Journal of Adult and Adolescent Literacy*, 2001-present

Book Reviewer for *Kirkus Reviews*, 2007-present

Book Reviewer for *Library Media Connection*, 2002-2006

Book Reviewer for *Multicultural Review*, 1999-2002

Book Reviewer for *Public Libraries*, 1996-2000

Book Reviewer for *School Library Journal*, 1996-2003

Book Reviewer for *SIGNAL*, 2007-present

Book Reviewer for *Tennessee Librarian*, 2001-present

Book Reviewer for *VOYA: Voice of Youth Advocates*, 1994-2004

Editorial Advisory Board, *Book Links*, 2002-2005

Editorial Review Board, *Journal of Children's Literature*, 2001-present

Referee, *Journal of Youth Services in Libraries*, 1998-2001

Referee, *Public Libraries*, 1998-2000

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

American Association of School Librarians, 2003-present

American Library Association, 1994-present

Assembly on Literature for Adolescents, 1996-present

Association for Library Service for Children, 1994-present

Authors Guild, 2003-present

Children's Literature Assembly, 1997-present

East Tennessee Library Association, 2000-present

Knoxville Writers Guild, 2000-present

Intellectual Freedom Round Table (ALA), 1994-present

International Reading Association, 2001-present

New York Library Association, 1996-2000

Organization of American Historians, 2006-present

Public Library Association, 1994-2000

Smoky Mountain Reading Council, 2003-present

Social Responsibilities Round Table (ALA), 1994-present

Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators, 2002-present
Tennessee Association of School Librarians, 2001-present
Tennessee Library Association, 2000-present
Tennessee Reading Association, 2001-present
Tennessee Writers Alliance, 2002-present
United States Board on Books for Young People, 1998-present
Young Adult Library Services Association, 1994-present

ACTIVITIES IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Member, Board of Directors (American Library Association Representative), United States Board on Books for Young People (USBBY), 2010-2012

Member, Intellectual Freedom Committee, American Association of School Librarians (ALA), 2009-2011

Member, Robert F. Sibert Informational Book Award Committee, Association for Library Service for Children (ALA), 2009-2010

Member, Frances Henne Award Selection Committee, American Association of School Librarians (ALA), 2008-2009

Member, ALAN Award Selection Committee, Assembly on Literature for Adolescents (NCTE), 2009

Member, Notable Books in the Language Arts Selection Committee, Children's Literature Assembly (NCTE), 2006-2009

East Tennessee Representative, Board of Directors, Tennessee Association of School Librarians, 2005-2007

ALAN Award Selection Committee, Assembly on Literature for Adolescents (NCTE), 2004

Publications Committee, American Association of School Librarians, 2004-2005

Member, 2006 May Hill Arbuthnot Lecture Committee, Association for Library Service for Children (ALA)

Membership Committee, East Tennessee Library Association, 2004

Membership Committee, Tennessee Library Association, 2004-2005

Conference Programming Committee, Tennessee Association of School Librarians, 2003-2005

American Library Association-Children's Book Council Joint Committee, 2001-2003

Notable Children's Videos Selection Committee, Association for Library Service for Children, 2001-2003

Volunteer State Book Award Committee, Tennessee Library Association, 2001-Present

Co-Chair, Public Relations Committee, Tennessee Library Association, 2001-2002

Chair, Preconference Program Planning Committee, Young Adult Library Services Association (ALA), 2000 Annual Conference

Public Libraries Advisory Subcommittee, Public Library Association, 1999-2001

Professional Ethics Committee, American Library Association, 1999-2000

Chair, Conference Planning Committee, New York Library Association Youth Services Section 1999 Annual Conference

Young Adult Book of the Year Award Task Force, Young Adult Library Services Association, 1998-1999

Services to Children, Youth and Families Committee, Public Library Association, 1998-2001

Liaison to National Youth Organizations, Association for Library Service to Children, 1997-1999

Best Books for Young Adults Committee, Young Adult Library Services Association, 1996-1999

ELECTED OFFICES IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

President, East Tennessee Library Association, 2006-2007

President, Knoxville Writers Guild, 2004-2006

Board of Directors, Assembly on Literature for Adolescents, 2003-2006

Board of Directors, Knoxville Writers Guild, 2003

Board of Directors, Young Adult Library Services Association, 2000-2003

President, American Library Association Student Chapter, University of Tennessee, 1994-1995

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Board of Directors, School of Information Sciences Alumni Board, University of Tennessee, 2003-2005

Board of Directors, Center for Children's Young Adult Literature, University of Tennessee, 2001-present

Tennessee State Board of Education Reading and Literacy Advisory Council, 2000