

# DANJ Newsletter

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### *DANJ Fall Conference The U.S. Census*

*To be held at Princeton University  
On  
November 2, 2012*

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# *Changes to DANJ Membership*

**In an attempt to rationalize the membership schedule, the DANJ Executive Board approved a change starting in Fall 2012:**

*DANJ's annual Fall Conference fee will include free DANJ membership for the following calendar year. For example, when someone registers for the 2012 Fall conference, the fee for that conference will automatically enroll someone as a DANJ member for the following calendar year (2013).*

*The individual membership only fee option will be retained. The fee provides membership in DANJ for the calendar year (January through December). The fee can be paid anytime during the calendar year, for that calendar year. So, if someone does not attend the Fall conference in 2012, but wants to be a DANJ member in 2013, they can pay membership dues anytime during that calendar year. If that member wants to attend the Fall 2013 conference, the membership fee already paid WILL NOT apply to the Fall 2013 conference, since the fee for that conference includes membership for 2014.*

*There will be no attempt to reconcile the current schedule with the proposed schedule. Rather, the conference fee for Fall 2012 conference will include membership for 2013. The membership only fee will start in 2013.*

*A separate student Conference fee will be considered, which would include membership in DANJ for the following year. The individual membership fee and the issue of whether to maintain the option of an institutional membership fee will be considered in upcoming DANJ Executive Board meetings.*

DANJ membership confers benefits such as DANJ sponsored activities (for example, the visit to the United Nations library), and the opportunity to serve on the DANJ Executive Board and on DANJ interest groups.

# *Helpful links*

⇒ *Federal Depository Library Program: Issues for Congress*. The latest CRS Report to Congress on the FDLP. The focus of this article is the future of the FDLP in the electronic age.

<https://www.fas.org/sgp/crs/misc/R42457.pdf>

⇒ Two related articles dealing with legal digital documents are:

*Authentication of Primary Legal Materials and Pricing Options*  
(from the Office of Legislative Council)

[http://www.mnhs.org/preserve/records/legislativerecords/docs\\_pdfs/CA\\_Authentication\\_WhitePaper\\_Dec2011.pdf](http://www.mnhs.org/preserve/records/legislativerecords/docs_pdfs/CA_Authentication_WhitePaper_Dec2011.pdf)

*UNIFORM ELECTRONIC LEGAL MATERIAL ACT\** (from the  
NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF COMMISSIONERS  
ON UNIFORM STATE LAWS)

[http://www.uniformlaws.org/Shared/Docs/AM2011\\_Prestyle%20Finals/UELMA\\_PreStyleFinal\\_Jul11.pdf](http://www.uniformlaws.org/Shared/Docs/AM2011_Prestyle%20Finals/UELMA_PreStyleFinal_Jul11.pdf)

⇒ As of March 16, 2012, the transition from GPO Access to GPO's Federal Digital System (FDsys) <[www.fdsys.gov](http://www.fdsys.gov)> is complete. FDsys now is GPO's only Web site for online official and authentic Government information from all three branches of the Federal Government.

⇒ Upcoming DANJ meetings: <http://www.danj.org/events.html>

⇒ DANJ Executive Board members: <http://www.danj.org/executiv.html>



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*Documents Association*  
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Dear Governor Christie:

The Documents Association of New Jersey, a non-profit organization of professional government documents and information librarians and specialists, opposes the proposal in the FY2013 state budget to separate the records management program from the State Division of Archives and Records Management (DARM) and move it to the Department of the Treasury.

The integrated unit as it now exists ensures that the public records produced by the State's departments and agencies are properly organized and preserved for the current and future use by government officials, scholars, and the tax-paying public. Keeping the two units together also improves government accountability, since archivists and records analysts work together to develop policy and priorities, ultimately resulting in the preservation and availability of historical records.

The proposed separation would hamper, rather than facilitate cost efficiency. It would hinder the State Archives' ability to participate in statewide collaborations and contribute the expertise of its current technological and administrative capabilities to the search for better management of electronic records.

We urge you to keep the records management program together with the Division of Archives and Records Management, whether in the Department of State or the Department of the Treasury.

Very truly yours,

Linda R. Oppenheim, President  
Documents Association of New Jersey

# *DANJ Doings*

## DANJ hosts a visit to the Dag Hammarskjold Library!

“United Nations Information Resources: Future Directions: Engaging the Library and Information Professionals”



30 Librarians from the tri-state area academic and public libraries, as well as from the Library of Congress and Yale, attended the day long program at the Dag Hammarskjold Library

Special thanks to Susan Bennett White, Sociology Librarian and United Nations Documents Specialist Firestone Library, Princeton University, for organizing the visit.

*Congratulations!*

*James Kessenides*

Winner of the DANJ 2011 prize for the best Government Documents paper submitted at SC&I (Rutgers). The recipient receives a cash award and free DANJ membership for a year.

*The Fairness Doctrine and  
Related Communications  
Law:  
An Annotated  
Bibliography*