| COMMITTEE: | FEDERAL RELATIONS COORDINATOR |
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| BOARD OVERSIGHT: | VICE-PRESIDENT/PRESIDENT-ELECT |
| GENERAL DESCRIPTION | Federal law and regulation can impact libraries in all the states. Often it is necessary for Washington librarians and others associated with libraries to make their wishes known to their Congressional delegation to advocate for or against a proposed measure or action, or to suggest changes that will be advantageous for Washington libraries. |
| | The Federal Relations Coordinator will: |
| | Serve as the primary contact for WLA with entities such as the American Library Association and the Washington Congressional delegation for legislative purposes. |
| | Establish and maintain effective relationships with key officials in Washington, D.C., including Congressional members and their staffs, executive branch officials, American Library Association Washington Office, and others for legislative purposes; |
| | Monitor emerging issues and events at the federal level, including (but not limited to) Congressional bills, executive branch agency proposed regulations, discussions, conferences, publications, etc.; |
| | Analyze issues for potential effect on, or opportunities for, Washington libraries; recommend appropriate action for WLA; |
| | Consult with the Vice-President/President Elect and/or Association President on matters inconsistent with Association issues, interests, policies, and directions; |
| | Motivate appropriate action in a timely and effective manner; |
| | Report on progress and actions to the WLA President, the Vice-President/President- Elect, WLA Legislative Planning Committee, and/or the membership, as appropriate. |
| BYLAWS TEXT: | No direct Bylaws text |
| RELATED POLICY OR CRITERIA STATEMENTS, FORMS, ETC. | |

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