LIPA is a membership organization devoted to providing direction and support for preservation initiatives. In 2012 there are 107 members: 94 academic law libraries, 11 public law libraries, and 2 federal libraries. LIPA also receives financial support from the American Association of Law Libraries.

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MISSION STATEMENT
The mission of the Legal Information Preservation Alliance (LIPA) is to provide the leadership, the organizational framework, and the professional commitment necessary to preserve vital legal information by defining objectives, endorsing and promoting the use of appropriate standards and models, creating networks, and fostering financial and political support for long term stability.

MEMBERSHIP
The membership year runs from July 1 - June 30. Annual dues are as follows:
- U.S. Academic Libraries - $1,000
- State, Court & Other Libraries - $500

To join LIPA or to be added to the listserv, contact Margaret Maes, Executive Director, at 812-822-2773 or mkmaes@gmail.com.
**HISTORY OF LIPA**

LIPA's roots go back to a number of initiatives undertaken by the American Association of Law Libraries in the late 1980s and the 1990s. It is the product of a conference, *Preserving Legal Information for the 21st Century: Toward a National Agenda*, sponsored by the Georgetown University Law Library and AALL in 2003. Conference participants established LIPA as an organization that would provide a framework for creating solutions to the problems of preserving legal literature.

The new organization commissioned a white paper and an inventory of existing and completed preservation projects. The white paper, *Preserving Legal Materials in Digital Formats*, issued in 2005, is available on the LIPA web site.

LIPA incorporated in 2007 and received tax-exempt status in 2009. Margaret Maes has been the Executive Director since 2008.

In the last four years LIPA has steadily added new projects and services for its members. In 2012 its digital preservation projects include a Legal Information Archive, a Law Review Preservation Program, and a web archiving service.

On the print preservation side, two years of exploring print repository options in collaboration with NELLCO will come to fruition in 2012 as the two organizations bring forward a proposal to their memberships for a shared collection storage facility to house historic U.S. primary print materials. LIPA and NELLCO will select a site in 2012 and begin ingesting materials in early 2013.

LIPA is a member of the National Digital Stewardship Alliance, a collaborative effort of the Library of Congress to preserve a distributed national digital collection for the benefit of present and future generations.

**PROJECTS AND SERVICES**

- **Print Repository**—a project to establish a shared, jointly-owned print collection of legal materials, to be housed in a climate-controlled, purpose-built facility and to be widely accessible for use as needed. This is a collaborative project with NELLCO, an international consortium of law libraries.

- **Legal Information Archive**—a collaborative digital archive established to preserve and ensure permanent access to vital born digital legal information, using OCLC's CONTENTdm and its Digital Archive system.

- **Law Review Preservation Program**—a long-term archiving solution for law reviews published online. In partnership with Berkeley Electronic Press, law reviews published on bepress's Digital Commons platform can be automatically archived in CLOCKSS, an international dark archive for long-term preservation.

- **Web Archiving Service**—a subscription service that allows LIPA members to harvest and preserve collections of digital content and create digital archives, using the Archive-It web archiving service from the Internet Archive.

- **Preservation Inventory**—a searchable database of library and non-library projects that reformat legal information for the purpose of providing long term retention while preserving the look of the original. We are committed to updating and maintaining the inventory.

- **Education and advocacy**—a website that serves as a clearinghouse for national and state preservation activities and provides resources for libraries needing preservation information, documents LIPA's history and projects, and includes a dynamic blog.

**COMMITTEES**

- **Print Repository Advisory Committee**—establishes the parameters for a shared storage collection of print legal materials, including collection development, access and funding, in collaboration with NELLCO.

- **Legal Information Archive Steering Committee**—develops, maintains and promotes policies and standards for the Legal Information Archive.

- **Education Committee**—develops educational programs and program proposals for the AALL annual meeting and other meetings as needed.

- **Nominations and Elections Committee**—prepares the slate of candidates for annual election to the Board of Directors.

**PARTNERSHIPS**

- Archive-It
- Berkeley Electronic Press
- CLOCKSS
- National Digital Stewardship Alliance
- NELLCO
- OCLC