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Message from the Chair

It's summer and you know what that means: the annual ILA GODORT Workshop. I hope you have the opportunity to attend; we have been able to bribe some very knowledgeable and engaging presenters into giving up an hour of their day to entertain and enlighten our roundtable. Former Des Moines Register reporter and current Citizens Aid/Ombudsman's office investigator Bert Dalmer will share some of his experiences as a end-user and creator of government information. He will also touch on the Internet's impact on the newsroom.

Deputy Clerk of the Iowa Supreme Court Chris Mayberry will discuss the evolution of the Iowa court system's creation, retention and dissemination of legal information and some of the hot-button issues such as access versus confidentiality. And finally, Iowa Code Editor Leslie Hickey will provide you with any and everything you ever wanted to know about the Code of Iowa.

If you have not done so you may access the agenda and registration form on the ILA GODORT homepage. Also I would advise you to wear comfortable shoes and bring an appetite.

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What's Most Important to You?

The research guides at The University of Iowa are being revised to provide better access to government information resources in both the tangible collection at UI and on the Web. Since much of the older government publications in the UI collection are not identified through OCLC, such guides may be the best way for the Iowa community to tap into these resources. Yes, most
may be borrowed either directly or through interlibrary loan. Here are three very different types of guides the have been revised recently:

- **Taxes: State and Federal Information**
- **Indexes to Historical U.S. Federal Publications**
- **American State Papers**

But, considering the diverse range of library users and unique services for different demographic groups in Iowa, what topics would you like to see given priority? Here are some ideas:

- Consumer Information
- Energy & Natural Resources
- Environment
- Health & Medicine
- History & Genealogy
- Legal Information
- Business, Economics & Trade
- Copyright
- Crime & Justice
- Statistics
- Patents & Trademarks
- Military History

Please send me your suggestions and/or comments about the three guides listed above. Thanks in advance for your input!

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**State Library Scanning Project**

In July the State Library will begin a pilot project that involves sending selected state documents to Mitchellville Women's Prison to be scanned into PDF format. Iowa Prison Industries recently added scanning and archiving to the long and eclectic list of services they provide. If all goes well you will be able to access the Unpublished Opinions of the Iowa Appellate Courts from the State Library's web site within the year. As always notices will be sent out as we near completion. If you are interested in additional information about this project feel free to contact us or check out [Iowa Prison Industries CD Imaging/Archiving](https://www.iowaprisonindustries.com/).
Calendar of Events


July 20, 2007. ILA GODORT Workshop. State Capitol Complex, Des Moines, IA.


October 10–12, 2007. ILA Annual Conference. Marriott Hotel and Conference Center, Coralville, IA.