

Approved: 3-11-10
Date

MINUTES OF THE SENATE FEDERAL AND STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Roger Reitz at 10:30 a.m. on February 23, 2010, in Room 144-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:
Senator Pete Brungardt- excused

Committee staff present:
Jason Long, Office of the Revisor of Statutes
Julian Efird, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Dennis Hodgins, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Connie Burns, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the Committee:
Joanne M. Budler

Others attending:
See attached list.

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Introduction of Bills:

Steve Kearney, Kansas Action for Children, requested a bill introduction that deals with KanView, includes information about state revenues and expenditure. This will add a second component making the state's Tax Expenditure Report available through the KanView Web site.

Senator Morris moved that this request should be introduced as a committee bill. Senator Francisco seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Vice Chair Reitz opened Confirmation Hearing:

Vice Chair Reitz welcomed Joanne M. Budler to the podium for comments. (Attachment 1) Ms. Budler provided a brief biographical overview of her job history and education. The committee was interested in the ideology and goals that Ms. Budler would bring to the State Library.

Vice Chair Reitz closed the confirmation hearing.

Senator Morris made a motion that the committee recommend to move to the full Senate the confirmation of appointment of Joanne Budler to the State Librarian. Senator Owens seconded the motion.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 24, 2010. The meeting was adjourned at 11:07 a.m.

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Senate Confirmation Information Summary
Prepared and Submitted by the Office of Governor Kathleen Sebelius

Appointee: Joanne M. Budler

Position: State Librarian

Expiration Date: N/A

Term Length: Pleasure of the Governor

Statutory Authority: K.S.A. 75-2535

Party Affiliation: Democrat

⇒ Statutory geographic representation
Requirements (*insert any that apply*)

Congressional District:

County:

Size requirement (*if any*):

Other, specify:

⇒ Statutory party affiliation requirement:

⇒ Statutory industry or occupation requirements:

The State Librarian shall hold a graduate degree in library science and shall have not less than five years actual experience in library administration.

Salary: \$85,000

Predecessor: Christie Pearson Brandau

Board Composition Prior to Confirmation of New Appointee:

N/A

Joanne (Jo) M. Budler
4924 Elliott Road
Hilliard, OH 43026
(614) 774-1240 (cell) *
(614) 644-8188 (work)

RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

State Librarian

State Library of Ohio
274 East First Avenue
Columbus, OH 43201
2004-present

- Direct the State Library and enhance services by implementing proactive outreach programs to state employees and librarians.
- Utilize Library Services and Technology Act funding to encourage innovation at libraries of all types and increase statewide programs that benefit all Ohio residents.
- Interact with legislators, members of the library community, and media on a regular basis to communicate the importance of State Library programs and initiatives.
- Prepare and deliver testimony on budget to the Governor and legislature highlighting the impact State Library services have on their constituents.
- Encourage staff to search for new services and innovative programs
- Visit libraries and consult with library directors, staff and boards.
- Deliver speeches to library groups, trustees, and community groups to promote library services.
- Lead collaborative efforts with state agencies, library membership organizations, and other state libraries to realize greater efficiencies and economic benefit to all.

Deputy State Librarian

The Library of Michigan
702 W. Kalamazoo
Lansing, MI 48915
2000-2004

- Served on Library Management Team responsible for budget and policy.
- Directed and oversaw Statewide Operations.
- Managed the Michigan eLibrary (MeL) which included a database of Internet resources and commercial databases.
- Negotiated statewide contracts (\$3.6 million).
- Provided consultation to librarians and trustees statewide. Topics included:
 - Trustee roles and responsibilities
 - State aid
 - Formation of public libraries
 - Continuing education
 - Librarian certification
- Served as liaison to statewide library agencies.
- Served as editor of monthly newsletter and lead a team of librarians in its production.
- Public speaking (including but not limited to library dedications, Friends groups, and service organizations).
- Presented educational programs to library and user groups.

Director of Network Services and NEBASE (OCLC network for the state of Nebraska)

Nebraska Library Commission
The Atrium, 1200 N St., Suite 120
Lincoln, NE 68508
1994-2000

- Coordinated and instituted statewide database purchase for greater efficiencies, cost savings, and to ensure access for all Nebraskans.
- Arranged statewide trials of databases for all types of libraries so librarians could make the best choices in purchases.
- Negotiated contracts for database subscriptions.
- Developed and participated in training program for librarians across the state.
- Conducted focus groups statewide for feedback on services.
- Planned and implemented the NEBASE Annual Meeting.
- Participated in meetings with 17 other OCLC network directors 3-4 times yearly in an attempt to coordinate our activities to the greatest advantage of our member libraries.
- Contributed to and edited bimonthly newsletter, N3.
- Served on Steering Committee (Senior Management Team).
- Assisted in management of LSTA program.
- Served as team leader of the ten member NEBASE team.
- Awarded Manager of the Year 1999.
- Chair of the Alliance of Library Networks, 1995-1997.

Legislative Reference Librarian

Legislative Research Division
7th Floor, State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68508
1987-1994

Cataloger

Lincoln City Libraries
14th and N St.
Lincoln, NE 68508
1986-1987

Curator of the Heritage Room

Lincoln City Libraries
14th and N St.
Lincoln, NE 68508
1984-1986

EDUCATION

MA Library Science, University of Iowa
MFA Writers Workshop, University of Iowa
BA English/Composition, Syracuse University



CONFIRMATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Acknowledgment of Release of Tax and Criminal Records Information Form

I, Joanne Mary Budler acknowledge that as part of the
(print name)

Senate Confirmation Oversight Committee process I will:

- be subject to a criminal records background investigation by the Kansas Bureau of Investigation; and
- have my tax records released by the Kansas Department of Revenue.

Such information will not be released to the general public, but will be made available for review at the appropriate time by:

- Myself;
- My appointing authority;
- ~~Chairperson of the Senate Confirmation Oversight Committee; and~~
- The Vice Chair of the Senate Confirmations Oversight Committee.

By signing the "Authorization and Certification" section (on page 8) of the Senate Confirmation Oversight Committee questionnaire, the Kansas Department of Revenue will be authorized to release my tax information and the Kansas Bureau of Investigation will be authorized to conduct a criminal background investigation on me and provide that information to the appropriate individuals.

Signature Joanne M. Budler Date 11-18-09

Kansas Senate

CONFIRMATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

APPOINTMENT QUESTIONNAIRE

Full Name: Joanne Mary Budler
(please include title and middle name along with any names previously used)

Joanne Mary Mehling (Maiden)

Joanne Mary Casullo (former married name)

Home Address: 4924 Elliott Rd Hilliard, Ohio 43026
(Street Address) (City, State, Zip)

Driver's License Number: [REDACTED] Social Security Number: [REDACTED]

Position to which Appointed: State Librarian of Kansas

Appointing Authority: Governor

* Information on this page will not be made public but is used by the KBI and Department of Revenue.

(for Committee use only)

KBI Check: N/A In-Process Complete

DOR Check: N/A In-Process Complete

This Questionnaire is to be fully completed by each appointee appearing before the Senate Confirmation Oversight Committee (Committee) and returned to the Committee Chairman's Office. A meeting of the Committee to consider an appointee will not be scheduled until a completed questionnaire and other forms are received by the Chairman. Please answer each question completely to the best of your knowledge. Should a question not be applicable, please so state. Hand-written responses are strongly discouraged. If filling out this form electronically, "" should be replaced with "X" by the appropriate response on the form. Please contact your appointing authority if you have questions when completing the form.

Full Name: Joanne Mary (Mehling) (Casullo) Budler
(please include title and middle name along with any names previously used)

Position to which Appointed: State Librarian of Kansas

Appointing Authority: Governor

Home Address: 4924 Elliott Rd. Hilliard, Ohio 43026
(Street Address) (City, State, Zip)

Business Name: State Library of Ohio

Business Address: 274 East First Ave. Columbus, Ohio 43201
(Street Address) (City, State, Zip)

Position Title: State Librarian of Ohio

Home Phone: 614-774-1240 Business Phone: 614-644-8188 Cell Phone: 614-774-1240

Fax Number: not available E-Mail Address: jo.budler@att.net

Kansas resident? Yes / No Date of Birth: 7/24/49 Place of Birth: New York, N.Y.

Registered Voter? Yes Party Affiliation: Democrat

Congressional District: NA Kansas Senate District: NA Kansas Representative District: NA

Do you have the legal right to live and work in the United States? Yes / No

Please answer the following questions numbered 1 – 43. Each question **MUST BE ANSWERED ON THIS ORIGINAL FORM.** If the answers the question are provided on your resume, please state "See Resume" or if you supply additional attachment(s) with answers, please state "See Attachment(s)" on this form.

1. What is your educational background? I have a Master of Library Science and a Master of Fine Arts in writing.
2. Describe your employment experience. Include any expertise related to the position to which you were appointed. I have served as State Librarian of Ohio since July 1, 2004. I served as Deputy State Librarian of Michigan (2000-2004) and worked as a Legislative Reference Librarian in Nebraska (1987-1994). See Resume.

3. List any professional licenses that you have obtained and include the number for each license.
Not applicable.
4. Why do you feel you are a good candidate for the position to which you have been appointed?
My experience as State Librarian and Deputy State Librarian. See resume.
5. What do you see as the purpose or mission of the role to which you have been appointed?
Direct the State Library in the delivery of information services.
6. **Military Service:** List rank, date and type of discharge from active service.
None
7. **Government Experience:** List any experience or association with local, state or federal government (exclusive of elective public office but including advisory, consulting, honorary, appointed or other part-time service or positions) and include dates of service.
None See resume.
8. **Elective Public Office:** List all elective public offices sought and/or held with dates of service.
None
9. **Campaigns:** Have you ever played a role or held a position in a political campaign? If so, please identify the candidate(s), the dates of the campaign and describe your involvement.
No Yes
10. **Honors and Awards:** List all scholarships, fellowships, honorary degrees, honorary society memberships and any other special recognition for outstanding service or achievements.
None
11. **Organization Affiliations:** List all civic, cultural, educational, charitable, or work-related organizations that you have been associated with in the past ten years. Include any position held in the organization and the dates of service.
None Animal rescue group (A.D.O.P.T.), June 2007-present
12. **Organization Restrictions:** To your knowledge, is any organization listed above restricted on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, marital status or veteran status? If so, please describe.
No Yes
13. **Issues:** Have you ever been publicly identified, in person or by organizational membership, with a particularly controversial national or local issue? If so, please describe.
No Yes
14. **Submission of Views:** Have you ever submitted oral or written views to any governmental authority, whether executive or legislative, or to the news media on any particularly controversial issue other than in an official governmental capacity? If so, please describe.
No Yes
15. **Associations:** Have you ever had any association with any person, group or business venture that could be used, even unfairly, to impugn or attack your character and qualifications for the position to which you seek to be appointed? If so, please describe.
No Yes

16. **Opposition:** Do you know of any person or group who might take overt or covert steps to attack, even unfairly, your appointment? If so, please identify and explain the basis for the potential attack.
 No Yes
17. **Miscellaneous:** List any factors, other than the information provided above, which particularly qualifies you or is relevant to the position to which you are seeking appointment? Include any special skills.
 None See resume.
18. **Relationship to Governmental Employees:** Are you or your spouse or other close family members related to any state governmental official or employee? If so, please provide details.
 No Yes
19. **Compensation:** During the past five years, have you or your spouse or other close family members received any compensation or been involved in any financial transaction with the State of Kansas? If so, please explain.
 No Yes
20. **Business Relationships:** Describe any business relationship, dealing or financial transaction which you have had during the last five years, whether for yourself, on behalf of a client or acting as an agent, which you believe may constitute an appearance of impropriety or result in a potential conflict of interest in the position to which you want to be appointed. If none, please so state.
 None
21. **Transactions with Officials:** During the past five years, have you or your spouse or other close family members received any compensation or been involved in any financial transaction with any state government official? If so, please explain.
 No Yes
22. **Spouse or Other Family Members:** If the nature of employment for your spouse or other close family member is related in any way to the position to which you have been appointed, please indicate the employer, the position and the length of time it has been held. If not, please so state.
 No Yes
23. **Lobbying Activities:** Describe any lobbying activity during the past ten years in which you and/or your spouse have engaged for the purpose of influencing the passage, defeat or modification of any legislative or administrative action. Lobbying activity includes any activity performed as an individual or agent of another individual, or of any organization that involves direct communication with an official in the executive branch of state government or any official of the legislative branch. If none, please so state.
 None
24. **Regulated Activities:** Describe any interest that you, your spouse or other close family member may have (whether as an officer, owner, director, trustee, or partner) in any corporation, firm, partnership or other business enterprise and any non-profit organization or other institution that is regulated by or receives direct financial benefits from any department or agency of the State of Kansas. If none, please so state.
 None

25. **Other:** Please describe any other matter in which you are involved that is or may be incompatible or in conflict with the discharge of the duties of the position to which you have been appointed or which may impair or tend to impair your independence of judgment or action in the performance of the duties of that position. If none, please so state.
None
26. **Conflict of Interest:** How would you resolve any potential conflicts of interest that, while maybe unforeseen at this point in time, could arise?
I would communicate immediately with the Governor's office for advise.
27. **Citations:** Have you ever been cited for a breach of ethics for unprofessional conduct, or been named in a complaint to any court, administrative agency, professional association, disciplinary committee, or other professional group? If so, please provide details.
No Yes
28. **Convictions:** Have you ever been convicted of or entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere or forfeited collateral for any criminal violation other than a traffic infraction? (Please include any offenses of driving under the influence, operating while impaired, reckless driving, or the equivalent offenses in other states.) If so, please explain.
No Yes
29. **U.S. Military Convictions:** Have you ever been convicted by any military court? If so, please provide details.
No Yes
30. **Imprisonment:** Have you ever been imprisoned, been on probation or been on parole? If so, please provide details.
No Yes
31. **Agency Proceedings/Civil Litigation:** Are you presently, or have you ever been, a party in interest in any administrative agency proceeding or civil litigation that is related in any way to the position to which you are seeking appointment? If so, please provide details.
No Yes
32. **Agency Proceedings and Civil Litigation of Affiliates and Family:** a.) Is your spouse or other close family member currently, or ever been, a party in interest in any administrative agency proceeding or civil litigation that is related in any way to the position to which you are seeking appointment? If so, please provide details.
No Yes
- b.) Has any business in which you, your spouse, close family member or business associate are or were an officer, director or partner been a party to any administrative agency proceeding or civil litigation relevant to the position to which you are seeking appointment? If so, please provide details. (With respect to this question, you need only consider proceedings and litigation that occurred while you, your spouse, close family member, or business associate were an officer of that business.)
No Yes

33. **Other Litigation:** a.) Other than the litigation described in question 32, have you or any business in which you are or were an officer, director, or partner been a plaintiff or a defendant in a civil lawsuit? If so, please describe.
No Yes
b.) Are you aware of any pending or anticipated litigation against you or any business in which you are an officer, director, or partner? If so, please describe.
No Yes
34. **Drivers License:** Has your driver's license ever been suspended or revoked? If so, please describe.
No Yes
35. **Parking Tickets:** Do you have outstanding parking tickets from any jurisdiction that have remained unpaid for more than 60 days? If so, please explain.
No Yes
36. **Security Clearance Denial:** Have you ever been denied a military or other governmental clearance? If so, please explain.
No Yes
37. **Firings:** a.) During the past ten years, have you been fired from a job for any reason? If so, please explain.
No Yes
b.) During the past ten years, have you quit a job after being told that you would be fired? If so, please explain.
No Yes
c.) During the past ten years, did you leave a job by mutual agreement because of specific problems? If so, please explain.
No Yes
38. **Alimony and Child Support:** Are you now, or have you ever been, delinquent in the payment of alimony or child support? If so, please explain.
No Yes
39. **Consumption of Alcohol:** Have you ever or are you currently abusing alcohol? If so, please explain.
No Yes
40. **Controlled Substances:** Have you ever or are you currently engaged in the illegal use of a controlled substance or abusing the use of a prescribed controlled substance? If so, please explain.
No Yes
41. **Physical Examination:** If you receive a conditional offer of appointment or employment, would you be willing to take a physical examination, which may include a drug test?
No Yes

42. **Governmental Delinquencies:** Are you delinquent in the payment of any obligation owed to the federal or state government or any political or taxing subdivision or any instrumentality thereof? (Include delinquencies in the payment of: Income, property, or other taxes; exactions, fees or special assessments; loans, including any defaults, on or under loans which are or were made by, guaranteed, insured or subsidized by any unit of government or instrumentality thereof; overpayment of benefits; required payments into or under governmental programs; payments under a diversion arrangement or other repayment schedule.) If applicable, please state whether such delinquency is under formal appeal.

No Yes

43. **Other:** Please provide any additional information, favorable or unfavorable, which you feel should be considered in connection with your appointment. If none, please so state.

None

Please include resume and completed Statement of Substantial Interest not more than twelve months old.

REFERENCES

Name: Lynn A. Grimshaw Knows you how?: Board President of the State Library of Ohio

Address: P.O. Box 88 Wheelersburg, OH 45694
(City, State, Zip)

Home Phone: 740-574-2617 Business Phone: 740-574-4311

Name: Lucille Hastings Knows you how?: Past Board President of the State Library of Ohio

Address: 12785 CR 330 Big Prairie, OH 44611-9604
(City, State, Zip)

Home Phone: 330-496-2472 Business Phone: NA

Name: Ann Baines Knows you how?: Past Board President of the State Library of Ohio

Address: 6513 Litchfield Lane Middletown, OH 45042-9230
(City, State, Zip)

Home Phone: 513-424-8220 Business Phone: 513-571-5316 (cell)

Name: Christie Brandau Knows you how?: Past Supervisor

Address: 6019 SW 36th Court Topeka, KS 66614
(City, State, Zip)

Home Phone: 785-230-1342 Business Phone: NA

AUTHORIZATION AND CERTIFICATION:

The facts set forth in my application are true and complete. False statements, answers, or omissions on this application shall be sufficient cause for nonconsideration or for dismissal after appointment or employment. I also recognize that my selection is based on receipt of satisfactory information from former employers and references, and upon my ability to perform the essential elements, with or without reasonable accommodations, for the position for which I am applying. I herein authorize investigation, without liability, of the information supplied by me in this application for employment or appointment including academic, occupational, health, law enforcement, and government records. I also authorize listed employers and references, without liability, to make full response to any inquiries in connection with this application for appointment or employment. I understand and agree that the terms, conditions, compensation, benefits, hours, schedule, and duration of my appointment or employment may be determined, changed, or modified from time to time at the will of the appointing authority or designee without limitation or condition. I FURTHER CERTIFY THAT I HAVE READ THE FOREGOING PARAGRAPH AND KNOWINGLY MAKE THIS AUTHORIZATION BY SETTING FORTH MY SIGNATURE.

I understand that if I am required to be registered, licensed, or certified by federal or state law or regulation for the position I seek, I will notify the appointing authority immediately if any investigation, limitation, or cancellation of my registration, licensure, or certification occurs. If any investigation, probation, limitation, or cancellation occurs, I understand that my failure to notify my appointing authority as described above will result in the termination of my appointment or employment.

Signature Joanna Budler Date 9/30/09

STATE OF KANSAS



KANSAS GOVERNMENTAL ETHICS COMMISSION

ELECTRONIC STATEMENT OF SUBSTANTIAL INTERESTS FORM

INSTRUCTIONS: This statement must be completed by individuals who are required to do so by law. Any individual who intentionally fails to file as required by law, or intentionally files a false statement, is subject to prosecution for a class B misdemeanor.

Please read the "Guide" and "Definition" section provided with this form for additional assistance in completing sections "C" through "G". If you have questions or wish assistance, please contact the Commission office at 109 West 9th, Topeka, KS or call 785-296-4219.

A. IDENTIFICATION:

Budler

Last Name

Joanne

First Name

M

MI

Joseph

Spouse's Name

4924 Elliott Rd.

Number & Street Name, Apartment Number, Rural Route, or P.O. Box Number

Hilliard, OH 43026

City, State, Zip Code

(614) 774-1240

Home Phone Number

(614) 644-8188

Business Phone Number

B. THIS FORM IS REQUIRED TO BE FILED BECAUSE YOU ARE:

(check one or more of the following)

- 1. State Elected Official (Governor, Lt. Governor, Attorney General, Commissioner of Insurance, State Treasurer, Secretary of State, State Senator, State Representative, Member of State Board of Education or District Attorney);
- 2. Appointed Member of a State Board, Council, Commission or Authority;
- 3. Appointed State Position is Subject to Senate Confirmation;
- 4. Employee of a State Agency or University;
- 5. General Counsel for a State Agency;
- 6. Candidate for State Office.
- 7. Other (Contractor / Member of Compact)

State Library of Kansas

List the Name of Agency, Board, University or Elected Position (You may use abbreviations but not acronyms)

State Librarian

Division if applicable (May use acronyms)

Position

* The last four digits of your social security number will aid in identifying you from others with the same name on the computer list. This information is optional. *

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C. OWNERSHIP INTERESTS: List any corporation, partnership, proprietorship, trust, joint venture and every other business interest, including land used for income, and specific stocks, mutual funds or retirement accounts in which either you or your spouse has owned within the preceding 12 months a legal or equitable interest exceeding \$5,000 or 5%, whichever is less. If you or your spouse own more than 5% of a business, you must disclose the percentage held. Please insert additional page if necessary to complete this section.

If you have nothing to report in Section "C", check here

BUSINESS NAME AND ADDRESS	TYPE OF BUSINESS	DESCRIPTION OF INTERESTS HELD	PERCENT OF OWNERSHIP INTERESTS	HELD BY WHOM
1. Ohio Deferred Compensation 257 E. Town St, Suite 400, Columbus, OH 43215-4623	Retirement fund	Contributions	0%	self
2. Waddell & Reed PO Box 29217 Shawnee Mission, KS 66201-9217	Retirement fund	Contributions	0%	both
3. State of Michigan Retirement Program PO Box 55497, Boston, MA 02205-5497	401(K) and 457 plans	Contributions	0%	self
4. Nebraska Public Employees Retirement System PO Box 94816, Lincoln, NE 68509-4816	Retirement fund	Contributions	0%	self
5. Union Central Life Insurance Co 1876 Waycross Road, Cincinnati, OH 46240	Retirement fund	Contributions	0%	self

D. GIFTS OR HONORARIA: List any person or business from whom you or your spouse either individually or collectively, have received gifts or honoraria having an aggregate value of \$500 or more in the preceding 12 months.

If you have nothing to report in Section "D", check here

NAME OF PERSON OR BUSINESS FROM WHOM GIFT RECEIVED	ADDRESS	RECEIVED BY
1.		

E. RECEIPT OF COMPENSATION: (Part 1) List all places of employment in the last calendar year, and any other businesses from which you or your spouse received \$2,000 or more in compensation (salary, thing of value, or economic benefit conferred on in return for services rendered, or to be rendered), which was reportable as taxable income on your federal income tax returns.

1. YOUR PLACE(S) OF EMPLOYMENT OR OTHER BUSINESS IN THE PRECEDING CALENDAR YEAR. IF SAME AS SECTION "B", CHECK HERE

If you have nothing to report in Section "E"1, check here

NAME OF BUSINESS	ADDRESS	TYPE OF BUSINESS
1. State of Ohio, State Library	274 E. First Ave, Columbus, OH 43201	State Library

2. SPOUSE'S PLACE(S) OF EMPLOYMENT OR OTHER BUSINESS IN THE PRECEDING CALENDAR YEAR.

If you have nothing to report in Section "E"2, check here

NAME OF BUSINESS	ADDRESS	TYPE OF BUSINESS
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1.	Advance Realty Management Inc.	5350 East Livingston Ave. Columbus, OH 432032-2865	Real estate management
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F. OFFICER OR DIRECTOR OF AN ORGANIZATION OR BUSINESS: List any organization or business in which you or your spouse hold a position of officer, director, associate, partner or proprietor at the time of filing, irrespective of the amount of compensation received for holding such position. Please insert additional page if necessary to complete this section.

If you have nothing to report in Section "F", check here

	BUSINESS NAME AND ADDRESS	POSITION HELD	HELD BY WHOM
1.			

G. RECEIPT OF FEES AND COMMISSIONS: List each client or customer who pays fees or commissions to a business or combination of businesses from which fees or commissions you or your spouse received an aggregate of \$2,000 or more in the preceding calendar year. The phrase "client or customer" relates only to businesses or combination of businesses. In the case of a partnership, it is the partner's proportionate share of the business, and hence of the fee, which is significant, without regard to expenses of the partnership. An individual who receives a salary as opposed to portions of fees or commissions is generally not required to report under this provision. Please insert additional page if necessary to complete this section.

If you have nothing to report in Section "G", check here

	NAME OF CLIENT / CUSTOMER	ADDRESS	RECEIVED BY
1.			

H. DECLARATION: I declare that this statement of substantial interests (including any accompanying pages and statements) has been examined by me and to the best of my knowledge and belief is a true, correct and complete statement of all of my substantial interests and other matters required by law. I understand that the intentional failure to file this statement as required by law or intentionally filing a false statement is a class B misdemeanor.

Date Electronically Filed: 09/17/2009
 Name of Person Making Statement: Joanne M. Budler

State librarian's role: To help others

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Nominee says it's important citizens receive accurate information

By Sheila Ellis

SPECIAL TO THE CAPITAL-JOURNAL

Jo Budler, newly appointed Kansas state librarian, describes herself as a people person.

"I like people a lot. I naturally want to help people," Budler says.

In late January, Gov. Mark Parkinson announced the appointment of Joanne "Jo" Budler to the post of Kansas state librarian. She will replace interim state librarian Marc Galbraith, who has served in the role since former state librarian Christie Brandau announced her retirement in June 2009.

Budler, who has spent the past five years serving as the Ohio state librarian, says the top job requirement for a state librarian is to be a good listener.

"In my job, you have to listen to others a lot," she said during a phone interview from Ohio. "I serve the librarians and the state to help them provide the best service possible to their residents, and they know their residents' needs the best."

She has visited more than 100 libraries, where she talked to librarians to find out what challenges they're facing.

"It's a collaborative effort," she said. "It takes a lot of listening, gathering information and synthesizing it."

Previously, Budler was the deputy state librarian for the Library of Michigan and the director of Network Services and NE-BASE, Nebraska's online computer library center network. She holds a master's



SUBMITTED

Jo Budler, who was appointed state librarian in late January by Gov. Mark Parkinson, looks forward to serving Kansas librarians and residents.

degree in library science and a master's of fine arts in Writers' Workshop, both from the University of Iowa.

"We are very excited to welcome Jo to Kansas," Parkinson said in a press release. "Her 25 years of experience and leadership in state libraries will ensure that homes and schools across our state continue to receive the important services the Kansas state library has to offer."

Remaining relevant with new technology, such as the Internet, is one issue libraries across America are facing.

"We all use Google now. I use it myself," she said. "But the real challenge is making sure that information is accurate."

RECOMMEND A BOOK FOR THE KANSAS 150

As a lead up to Kansas' 150th birthday in 2011, the State Library of Kansas is seeking recommended books for a Kansas 150 list.

Nominations can be made until Oct. 31. The list of 150 notable titles will be announced at the beginning of 2011 and promoted throughout the sesquicentennial year.

The criteria for nominations: a significant aspect of the book must relate to Kansas. The book can tell a story about Kansas, its culture, its heritage or be historical in nature. In addition, the book may be written by a recognizable author who called Kansas home at some time in his/her lifetime; and the book may be from any genre, fiction or nonfiction, and suitable for readers of any age.

A submission form is available at http://kslib.info/kansas150/documents/150_nomination_form.pdf.

Budler says this is where library services come in.

The state library's mission is to deliver 21st-century library services and resources to all Kansans. Budler says she is committed to this mission.

"Libraries always have been about providing information to everyone," she said. "It doesn't matter who you are, where you live, we want to get information to you."

She said libraries are very valuable, especially when the economy isn't good.

"It is important that people can get to broadband Internet and reliable authenticated information," she said. "People need information so they may have a high-quality life, not just to write a paper."

The State Library of Kansas provides on-site and online information services for state and local governments, other state agencies, state legislators and legislative staff and local libraries and their users, as well as Kansas citizens, residents and visitors.

It shares resources and government information, educates librarians and trustees, promotes literacy and reading, and advocates for open and equitable access, intellectual freedom and excellence in library services and support.

One aspect of the Kansas state library system that appealed to Budler was the state's legislative reference library being housed inside the state library.

"I am very much in tune with state government and outreach to the library community and to the state government," she said.

Another area of expertise Budler brings to Kansas is her knowledge with library resource sharing.

"Not one library has all the information that a person might need," she said. "That's why it's important to have a good resource sharing mechanism between libraries."

She said Kansas is moving toward a single catalog for all libraries to use and share.

"That really appealed to me," she said. "It shows that the librarians here are thinking long-term, they are looking for a solution. ... We do it once and do it right."

Budler is scheduled to start in mid-March, upon confirmation from the Kansas Legislature.

"I am really looking forward to coming to Kansas and working with the wonderful librarians there," she said.

Sheila Ellis is a freelance writer and graduating senior at Kansas State University.

To: Senator Roger Reitz

From: Melissa Gregory, Director of Appointments
Office of the Governor

Date: February 22, 2010

Re: Confirmation of Jo Budler
Kansas State Librarian

Members of the search committee met on August 14 in Wichita to review applications and narrow the field of candidates to be interviewed for the position of Kansas State Librarian. The members of the Committee were:

Cynthia Berner-Harris, Director, Wichita Public Libraries
Gwen Alexander, Dean, School of Library Science and Information Management, Emporia State University
Jim Minges, Director, North East Regional Library System, Lawrence
Royce Kitts, Director, Tonganoxie Public Library and Vice-President, Kansas Library Association
Vicki Buening, Director of Constituent Services, Office of Governor Parkinson
Melissa Gregory, Director of Appointments, Office of Governor Mark Parkinson

Five finalists were selected from 28 applicants, and interviews are scheduled for October 6 in Topeka. The finalists were:

JoAnne Budler, Ohio State Librarian, Hilliard, Ohio
Marc Galbraith, Acting Kansas State Librarian, Topeka, Kansas
Kenton Oliver, Library Director, Stark County District Library, Canton, Ohio
Daniel Siebersma, South Dakota State Librarian, Fort Pierre, South Dakota
Carol Wohlford, Director of the Andover Public Library, Andover, Kansas

All candidates have management experience and have advanced progressively in their careers, so the focus was on their skills in communication, ability to work with legislatures, team building and advocacy, and involvement in their communities.

STATE LIBRARIAN, State of Kansas, Topeka, Kansas.

The Governor of the State of Kansas is seeking a State Librarian. The State Library of Kansas is located in the Capitol Building and will be undergoing extensive renovation beginning in January 2010, and will be relocated during the process, with an expected completion date of June 2012.

The Kansas State Librarian will possess proven successful executive and leadership skills in the areas of

- Contemporary trends in library sciences and information technology
- Professional personnel development systems
- Digital information resources
- Strategic library service delivery design and implementation
- Library systems administration

The successful candidate will also:

- Have the ability to provide vision and leadership for the statewide library community
- Develop statewide strategic plans for information access
- Motivate and direct the work of others
- Promote public awareness and access issues
- Advocate literacy and access initiatives
- Have coalition building experience
- Identify priorities and implement solutions;
- Build partnerships that will enhance statewide information access
- Communicate effectively, both orally and in writing
- Establish and maintain effective and cooperative working relationships among staff.
- Be a graduate of a library school program accredited by the American Library Association with at least 10 years of progressively more responsible professional library employment, with at least 4 years in a leadership capacity.

This is an executive position that reports to the Governor. Travel is required. The position offers salary, full benefits package, and participation in the Kansas Public Employees Retirement System. Salary range is \$72,000 - \$85,000 annually commensurate with experience.

Please submit a letter of interest and curriculum vitae to: Melissa Gregory, Director of Appointments, Office of the Governor, 300 SW 10th St, Suite 234-N, Topeka, KS 66612
Deadline for applications is July 1, 2009.