CERTIFICATIN MAINTENANCE

In 2007, 288 certified archivists were eligible to re-certify and 247 of them did, an 86% recertification rate compared to 87.6% in 2002, when the same group last certified. Thirty-eight certified archivists did not respond to our multiple mailings reminding them that 2007 was their year and then my final mailing offering to help them, if they had questions or concerns that were keeping them from certification maintenance.

As of March 25, 231 certified archivists have maintained their certification by petition. A petition review team is waiting for clarification regarding one petition. Three petitioners have failed to maintain their certification. Fifteen archivists chose to re-certify by examination; one of those failed. In 2007, 284 certified archivists maintained their certification with the possibility of one more.

The petition review teams were busy from March through July, with 21 additional petitions appearing from November 2007 through March 2008. This year I added an extra team so that the numbers would not overwhelm the review teams. This also gave an opportunity to more Academy members to be involved with the organization. This year’s review team leaders were Jennifer Esposito, CA (NY), Loretta Zwolak Greene, CA (WA), Judith Kearney, CA (HI), Marcus Robyns, CA (MI) and Kristine Toma, CA (TX). Each team averaged 45 petitions this season, and they were able to come to consensus about most questions regarding eligible recertification credits led by these excellent leaders. Team members include Klaudia Englund, CA (CA), Ken Fieth, CA (TN), Todd Gilliom, CA (MO), Shelly Henley Kelly, CA (TX), Helice Koffler, CA (NY), Dorthea Sartain, CA (NY), Kristy Sorensen, CA (TX), Gregor Trinkaus-Randall, CA (MA) and Patricia walker, CA (MO).

Traditionally, the immediate past-Regent for Certification Maintenance chairs the Appeals Team, but this year that person was ACA President, so a long-time Appeals Team member, David Horn, CA (MA) is Team Leader. Sandra File, CA (MO) and Pamela Miner, CA (FL) complete the team.

![Certification Maintenance Petitions Chart]

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ARCHIVAL RECERTIFICATION CREDITS (ARCS)

Since the annual meeting in Chicago, there have been four approved requests for ARCs and one from the Midwest Archives Conference for its fall 2008 symposium is pending:

ARMA Detroit
Seminar on Electronic Records
March 5, 2008

Central Missouri Chapter of ARMA
Seminar: Records Policy Implosions from the White House to Moscow
April 15, 2008

National Archives – Southwest Region
Seminar: Electronic Records Forum
April 17, 2008

St. Louis ARMA
Electronic Records and Related Legal Issues
April 17, 2007

CERTIFICATION MAINTENANCE OUTREACH

I wish to extend my thanks to the members of the certification maintenance review teams and the appeals team who performed their tasks admirably. This year we have done much to clarify issues the reviewers identified in the petitions they evaluated in preparation for the 2008 petition review season.

As always, I thank Judy Cetina and Steve Grandin for their support and good advice over the year.

Respectfully submitted,

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