AGENDA

Meeting of the Working Group of the
SECOND CIRCUIT COMMITTEE ON HISTORICAL AND COMMEMORATIVE EVENTS

February 13, 1992 4:00 P.M.
Held in Judge Roger J. Miner's chambers
Room 426, U. S. Courthouse
Foley Square, N.Y., N.Y.

I. Second Circuit Court of Appeals Centennial Projects
   - Arrangements and Schedule for Loan of Exhibit
   - History Lectures Publication Date
   - Responses to St. John's Law Review, Centennial Issue

II. Immigration Law Project, Fall 1992
   - Status of Exhibit Research
   - Report on Fundraising
   - Project Publication
   - Opening Ceremony  - Naturalization Proceeding
     - Judge Ward's Lecture
     - Other Program Items

III. Environmental Law Project, Fall 1993
    - Status Report

IV. Judge Medina Plaque and Ceremony
    - Presentation Ceremony, February 14

V. Review of Proposed Projects
    - Committee Exhibits  - Magistrate Judges
      - Bankruptcy
      - Other
    - Borrowed Exhibits  - U.S. Marshal's Service
      - Other

VI. Symposia/Conferences as Commemorative Events

VII. Other Business

VIII. Date of Next Working Group Meeting
To: Members of the Working Group of the Second Circuit Committee on Historical and Commemorative Events  
From: Peninah Petruck  

DATE: Feb. 19, 1992

Subject: Minutes: Feb. 13 Meeting

Attached are the minutes for the last meeting.
Minutes
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I. Second Circuit Court of Appeals Centennial Projects
   A. Exhibit
   The exhibit continues to be the subject of much interest and praise. Plans are being developed to transport the exhibit to other locations. These locations include courthouses, bar associations and law schools within the circuit. The Eastern District has already been contacted with regard to showing the exhibit in its Brooklyn Courthouse. Other contacts will be made. One problem in travelling the exhibit is the cost to dismantle, transport, and reassemble it. Of the companies contacted, Berkeley Express Company (718-599-2811) offered the most reasonable estimate. Within the Metropolitan area, Berkeley would charge $750; an additional $65 per hour would be charged for each hour it takes to reach a location outside of the Metropolitan area.
   
   B. St. John's Law Review, Centennial Issue
   The chair reported that the Issue has been the subject of much favorable comment from outside the circuit. The faculty advisor to the Issue has received letters of praise from judges, academics and members of the bar. On behalf of the Committee, the chair wrote to the faculty advisor thanking him for his diligent efforts in helping to create the Issue.
   
   C. Publication of District and Circuit Court Lectures
   This project continues to be in progress.

II. Immigration Law Project, Fall 1992
   A. Exhibit
   The curator is working on the first phase of the project. At the next Working Group meeting, Ken Schultz, the project coordinator, will report on the curator's progress in relation to the time-table previously approved.
   
   B. Fundraising
   The Working Group was assured that the project would be fully funded. Ken Schultz has applied to various foundations for support.
   
   C. Project Publication
   Plans for a publication are being developed. Peninah Petrucc will contact the Immigration and Naturalization Service to determine whether the Service's publication on the history of Immigration Law that is currently in preparation might be distributed at the opening ceremony.
   
   D. Opening Ceremony
   Plans for the opening ceremony, which will include Judge Ward conducting a Naturalization Proceeding and delivering the
Eleventh Annual History Lecture on Immigration Law, are progressing.

III. Environmental Law Project, Fall 1993

David Sive, the project coordinator, is working on fundraising for the project. A more detailed report will be given at the next meeting.

IV. Review of Proposed Projects

Members of the Working Group have been researching a variety of proposals:

Following the meeting, Magistrate Judge Francis, who was unable to attend, reported that there is sufficient material available for an exhibit on the origin, history, and current work of the Magistrate Judges. He would be interested in working on an exhibit if funding were assured. At the next meeting, he will ask the Group to review funding possibilities for the proposed exhibit.

Steven Flanders and Peninah Petruck will meet with Roy Babbitt to discuss the possibility of an exhibit on Bankruptcy Law. In early March, Steven Flanders will meet with John Roberts of the Bureau of Prisons to discuss whether the Bureau would lend its display on its history to the Committee.

Elaine Goldsmith is pursuing contacts with the Drug Enforcement Agency to determine whether an exhibit the DEA is currently arranging might be borrowed for viewing in the Foley Square Courthouse.

Elliott Nixon will contact David Norse to determine whether he would be interested in coordinating an exhibit on the subject of Prohibition.

Peninah Petruck is contacting the Schomburg Center to determine whether "Blacks and the U.S. Constitution," the exhibit currently on view at New York Law School's Library, might be shown at the Foley Square Courthouse. Also, she will explore other exhibit resources within the New York Public Library System.

V. U.S. Marshals Service Exhibit

The Service's exhibit celebrating the twentieth anniversary of its witness security program will open on April 2, at 5:15 P.M. A brief ceremony, followed by a reception, will take place in the Courthouse lobby. Peninah Petruck will coordinate arrangements for the installation of the exhibit and the opening.

VI. Oral History

Judge Miner reported that Senior Judges Feinberg and Timbers were enthusiastic about participating in an oral history project. He believes that the project should be started with interviews of the senior judges as soon as possible. Maggie Evans will draft proposed guidelines for the project.
VII. Symposia/Conferences as Commemorative Events
The Working Group discussed the feasibility of sponsoring symposia and conferences. The Group agreed that the Committee's focus must be historical and/or commemorative and that co-sponsorship with a bar association or law school would be a good idea. Under consideration are symposia/conferences on the following subjects: copyright law, securities law, corporate governance, and the influence of the past on the future direction of the Second Circuit Court of Appeals.

VIII. Next Meeting
The Working Group will meet on April 2 at 4 P.M. in Judge Miner's chambers, Room 426, Foley Square Courthouse. The opening of the U.S. Marshals Exhibit will follow.