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ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the members of the Cleveland Law Library Association will be held on Monday, April 22, 2002 at 11:30 a.m. in the Law Library, 404 Cuyahoga County Courthouse. Agenda items include election of three trustees to serve three year terms from March 2002 - 2005, and the Librarian's report.

The Board recommends the following candidates for election at the meeting: Scott Stewart, Kathy Burke, and David Naftzinger. Mr. Stewart, of Stewart & DeChant, was first elected to the Board in 1999 and graciously agreed accepted a nomination for a second term. Ms. Burke is a partner at Jones Day, and past president of the Ohio State Bar Association, and Mr. Naftzinger is partner at Thompson Hine.

Board President Dan Hammer of Thompson Hine, a Trustee since 1991, and Bob Rawson of Jones Day, a Trustee since 1989, both announced their retirement from the Board at the expiration of their terms this year. Please join us in expressing our gratitude for their years of exceptional stewardship.

RESEARCH ASSISTANCE SERVICE

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Your may also at any time leave an email reference question with us at Reference@clelaw.lib.oh.us.

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The Library offers several different delivery options available to our members. They are:

Same Day \$4.75 - Downtown.

Courier: \$10.00 - Greater Cleveland.

Overnight: FedEx charges apply.

U.S. Mail: Postage charges added to your

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Fax: \$3.00 / document, plus \$.50 / page for documents over three pages, or \$3.00 / document if source

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