



AGLISS presents Karen Gillet Britton



Ms. Karen Britton, PMP is a graduate of the University of Massachusetts with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Industrial Engineering and Operations Research. She holds a Master of Science Degree in Management from Florida Institute of Technology and is a graduate of the Defense Systems Management College.

Ms. Britton began her professional career with the Submarine Maintenance Engineering Procurement and Planning (SUBMEPP) at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard as a General Engineer. In 1990, Ms. Britton joined the Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA) Headquarters, Submarine Directorate, where was project engineer for SSN688 Class submarines. In May of 1998, Ms. Britton became the Assistant Acquisition Program Manager in the USS VIRGINIA Class Program Office. In 1999, Ms. Britton served as the

Team Submarine Congressional Manager responsible for all public affairs and media inquiries. In 2000, Ms. Britton was promoted to the position of Deputy CIO for IT Capital Planning. Ms. Britton then served as the Deputy Command Information Officer for Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA) where she was responsible for managing Command-wide Information Technology planning, policy, and budget. Ms. Britton departed the Department of Navy in 2007 for an opportunity in the private sector and was selected for a Program Management position where she provided support to the Department of Energy for implementing capital planning and developing an enterprise architecture plan.

In July 2009, Ms. Britton joined the Office of Administration, Executive Office of the President as the Deputy Chief Information Officer. Subsequently, Ms. Britton received her Commission as Special Assistant to the President, Chief Information Officer. During her tenure at White House, Ms. Britton led cloud computing strategy, agile software development methodologies, and open-source approaches to deliver the President's message to the American people in a variety of innovative ways.

In her current role at e-Management, Ms. Britton assumes a range of responsibilities including the company's expansion into the Department of Defense (DoD), federal civilian and intelligence agencies and developing strategic commercial corporate relationships. Ms. Britton is a graduate of Excellence in Government Fellows Program. She is also a recipient of the Partnership for Public Service Leadership in Action; the Navy Meritorious Civilian Service Award; and the National Women of Color in Technology Award.



Ray Barker is Chief Archivist/Librarian at Glenstone, a private, modern art museum in Potomac, MD. Prior to Glenstone, he worked at The History Associates, Inc., in Rockville, MD as supervisory archivist on a large-scale project for the National Park Service.. Ray began his career in information science as a librarian for the Kansas City Public Library system, and at the Miller Nichols Library at the University of Missouri in Kansas City. He is currently the Chair of the Mid-Atlantic chapter of ARLIS/NA.



Jonathan Barney is a Client Services Manager overseeing federal contracts at LAC Group. Mr. Barney has nearly 15 years in library and archives including 8 years at the Library of Congress where he was a Project Manager. Before that, he worked at the Utah State University Special Collections and the Princeton Geosciences and Map Library while attending school. After leaving there, he worked for a time before returning to school and pursuing an MLIS and continuing to work for LAC Group at the Library of Congress, where he supervised over 50 employees. Mr. Barney oversees federal contracts in his current position at LAC Group.



Tessa Brawley-Barker is the Assistant Librarian at Glenstone. Prior to arriving at Glenstone in 2012, Tessa worked as a Reference Assistant at the Special Collections Research Center at Syracuse University Library and as an Archives Assistant at the University's Belfer Audio Archive. Tessa received her master's degree in Library and Information Science and a certificate of advanced studies in Cultural Heritage Preservation from Syracuse University in 2012. She is currently serving on the Editorial Board of the Art Libraries Society of North America (ARLIS/NA) in the position of Information Architect and has served as the Web Manager for the Mid-Atlantic Chapter of ARLIS/NA since 2013.



Yvonne Dooley is a Business Reference & Research Specialist at the Library of Congress. Prior to her current position, she worked at the U.S. Copyright Office as an information specialist and supervisory project manager on a large-scale digitization project. Yvonne began her career as a business reference librarian at Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas. She has 20 years of experience in public, academic and special libraries and is currently the Vice-President/President-Elect of the District of Columbia Library Association (DCLA).



Kathel Dunn, PhD has served as the National Library of Medicine's Associate Fellowship Coordinator since August 2008. The best description of Dr. Dunn's job is one of "agent" to the recent LIS graduates who serve as Associate Fellows: Dr. Dunn identifies project opportunities and provides opportunities for training, professional development and portfolio building. Dr. Dunn also leads Workforce Development for the Division of Library Operations.



Jennifer Eidson is the Labor Collections Archivist at the University of Maryland, College Park.



Al Furnari brings more than 20 years of project and personnel management experience to an already strong federal program team at LAC Group. A seasoned manager with demonstrated capabilities in Total Quality Management; Mr. Furnari has managed federal program teams exceeding 200+ personnel. Prior to his previous post at Barn Allen, Mr. Furnari served as Federal Program Manager for K4 Solutions.



Nikhat Ghouse has worked in higher education for over fifteen years. Currently, she is the Social Sciences Librarian at American University (AU). Nikhat collaborates with the departments of Anthropology, Economics, Health Studies, Sociology, Women, Gender, & Sexuality Studies, and the Washington Internship Program for Native Students (WINS). Previously, Nikhat worked at University of Kansas (KU) for nearly eleven years where she supported the students and faculty of Anthropology, Global Indigenous Studies, Religious Studies and Social Welfare. In addition, Nikhat coordinated outreach of the Learning Studio (learning commons), managed virtual reference, and implemented peer reference services at KU Libraries. She was the Liaison to graduate students, the Graduate Writing Program, International Programs, Applied English Center (AEC) and the Office of Multicultural Affairs as well as neighboring Haskell Indian Nations University. Nikhat has a BA in History from Cleveland State University, an MLIS from the University of Pittsburgh, and is currently completing her MS in Organization Development at AU.



Lisa Haralampus (CUA MLS 1999, PMP) became Director of NARA's Records Management Policy and Outreach Program in the Office of the Chief Records Officer for the US Government in October, 2015. She has over 24 years of experience in federal government records and information programs working at NARA and the US Department of State. Lisa has experience developing and implementing enterprise-wide information management policies and training, and developing and operating IT systems to maintain and provide access to electronic archives.



Richard Huffine is currently a librarian with the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau. He has worked in the Federal government for over 15 years, including roles as Director, National Coordinator, Internet Librarian, and Web Analytics Manager. He has also held positions with contracting companies, consulting firms and library vendors. Richard has been a hiring manager, adjunct faculty in Library and Information Science, and a leader in the Special Libraries Association, American Library Association, District of Columbia Library Association and the Federation of Friends of the DC Public Library. He is a third-generation library worker and has his MLIS from the University of North Carolina-Greensboro.



Tracy Sumler is a branch manager with the District of Columbia Public Library system (DCPL). She manages the city's Mount Pleasant Branch. Previously, Tracy worked for the Loudon County Public Library system in Virginia.



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