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SUMMARY OF EXPERIENCE

For the past 30 years Dick Waters has been a full-time library consultant. Dick's background includes experience in the areas of library building planning, design, and construction, budgeting, long-range planning, public services planning and programming.

His consulting experience is extensive. He has completed several diverse assignments for public libraries throughout the country. He has consulted with public, academic, state, and school libraries in 46 of the 50 states plus internationally.

He has consulted with public libraries from Maine to California, from Texas to Wisconsin, in Colorado and Wyoming, and from Washington to Florida. Building projects include very large buildings for Denver (576,000 SF) and Nashville (300,000 SF), small- to mid-sized buildings in Gadsden, AL; Sarasota, FL; and Hewlett-Woodmere, NY. In many of the building and master planning projects he has assisted the libraries by preparing operational budget estimates for the first five years in the new/renovated/expanded facility, in staffing arrangements, in preparing grant applications, in seeking private sector funding, and in structuring public campaigns for capital improvement bond elections and other types of public votes.

His experience in Idaho includes a current project in Boise as well as prior Boise projects – space needs assessment, design charrette for new main library, and branch library master plan. He also worked with the East Bonner County Library on a space needs assessment.

Other experience in the Northwest and Rocky Mountains includes a master plan for the Westminster Public Library (both HPA and Brad Waters are working with Dick on this project), as well as facility projects in Loveland, Longmont, Louisville, Broomfield, and the High Plains Library District in Greely. Another project in which Dick, Brad, and Dennis worked on was a Master Facility Plan for the Albany County Library, Laramie, Wyoming. The Westminster project will be completed April 2016.

His experience in Texas includes master plans for the Round Rock and New Braunfels libraries, a building program for the Frisco Central Library, a space needs study for the Roanoke Public Library, a master plan for the Butt-Holdsworth Public Library in Kerrville, a site selection study for the Hondo Public Library; and a planning study, followed by a site selection and design charrette for the Bulverde Rural Library District. A current projects is a new building for the Prosper Public Library. A recent project Dick and Brad completed February 2016 was a space plan for the Kilgore Public Library.

In addition, Mr. Waters has worked with state libraries in Alaska, Arkansas, Connecticut, Delaware, Illinois, Nevada, South Carolina, and Texas on a variety of studies and planning projects. For the Smithsonian Institution Libraries he consulted on their Tropic Research Center Library, Panama City, Panama.

He played a major role in planning all phases of the Dallas Central Library (646,000 square feet, 205 parking spaces, \$42.7 million budget including over \$13 million in private funds); in the development of the Dallas system's long-range service plan; and in the planning, design, construction, and operations of 10 branch libraries. Other experience includes posts with the Seattle Public Library, the Wichita (KS) Public Library, and the Public Libraries of Springfield-Greene County, MO.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

American Library Association

- President - Library Administration Division
- Council Orientation Planning (co-chairman)
- ALA Council
- Conference Streamlining Committee
- President's Commission on External Relations

Library Administration and Management Association

- Public Relations Section
- Fund Raising Discussion Group
- Architecture for Libraries Committee

Public Library Association

- Business Council

Freedom to Read Foundation

- Treasurer
- Executive Committee

United for Libraries

- Annual Conference Planning Committee

Urban Libraries Council

- Board of Trustees

AMIGOS Bibliographic Council, Inc.

- Chair, Nominating Committee
- Secretary, Board of Directors

Texas Library Association

- Executive Board
- Public Libraries Division
- Chair
- Public Relations Committee
- Continuing Education Committee

Dallas County Library Association

- President

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Friends of the Dallas Public Library

Friends of the Preston Royal Branch Library

Friends of the Dallas Arts District, Dallas, TX

- Board of Directors,

Dallas Museum of African-American Life & Culture

- Vice-President for Planning
- Board of Trustees

Visiting Nurse Association, Inc., Dallas, TX

Board of Directors
Denton Chamber of Commerce, Denton, TX
Government Affairs Committee
Trinity Presbyterian Church, Denton, TX
Session
Administration and Stewardship Committee,
Trustee
Long Range Planning Committee
Denton City County Day Nursery, Denton, TX
Board of Directors
Vision Denton, Denton, TX
Technology Planning Committee

EDUCATION

University of Washington, School of Librarianship,
Master of Librarianship
Elective concentration - Computer science and human relations.
Missouri State University
Bachelor of Science
Major - Business organization and management,
Minor - Political science and sociology.
"Going Green," Library Design Institute, Hartford, CT
"Dynamic Library Atmospheres: What We Can Learn from Museums, Theatre, Retail, and the
Container Store." PLA Webinar,
Library Makerspaces" PLA Webinar,

PRESENTATIONS

"Getting A Bigger Slice of the Pie." Presentation at ALA Annual Conference
"Library Planning & Management Workshop." Jackson County Main Library, Marianna, FL
"Libraries and Economic Development." Annual Leadership Conference, Boise (ID) Chamber of
Commerce, McCall, ID
"Space Planning and Cost Estimating." National Capital Association of Law Librarians, Ottawa,
Ontario, Canada
"Issues and Trends in Urban Libraries." First Annual Issues Conference, School of Library and
Information Resources, University of Arizona, Tucson
"How Much Space Do You Really Need and How Much Will It Cost?" New Mexico Library
Association Annual Conference, Albuquerque, NM
"Knowing Your Community -- From Afar." Arizona Library Association, Phoenix
"Trends and Issues in Urban Libraries." National Building Museum, Washington, DC
"Library Planning for Boise," American Institute of Architects, Boise, ID Chapter
"Planning the Library of the Future," California Library Association Workshop, Pasadena, CA
"So You Want to be a Consultant..." Third National Conference of African American Librarians,
Winston-Salem, NC
"The Bookmobile and Its Future," Pennsylvania Library Association Bookmobile Conference,
Pittsburgh, PA
"The Virtual Library," Texas Library Association Conference, Houston
"The Library of the Future," Eastern Region Academic Physical Plant Administrators, Valley Forge,
PA

"Lighting and Technology: Buildings for the '90s." Pre-conference prior to American Library Association Conference
"Strategic Planning for Libraries; A Seminar." Computers in Libraries 6th Annual Conference, Oakland, CA
Program participant and speaker at library conferences of the American Library Association, the American Society of Information Science, the Council for the Advancement of Experimental Learning, the Mountain Plains Library Association, and the library associations in the states of Alaska, Arkansas, Nevada, South Carolina and Texas.
Participant in "Library Facility Location" Project, Public Technology, Inc.
Library building and space planning workshops presented for state libraries in Kansas, Maine, New Hampshire, Oregon, Texas, and Washington, and for the Northeast Texas Library System.

PUBLICATIONS

Editor, *Public Library Quarterly*

- "From Second Class 'Citizen' to 'Head of the Class': A New Way to Fund Libraries," in *Public Library Quarterly*
"Foundation Giving Again On The Rise," in *Public Library Quarterly*
"Public Library Work Benefits Survey," *The Bottom Line* (joint author).
"Public Library Buildings and the American Disabilities Act: A Review of Recent Publications," in *Public Library Quarterly*
"From the Parking Lot to the Bookstack and Back," *Highsmith Focus* catalog.
"The Library Building Tomorrow," *Library Trends*
Contributing Editor, "Library Buildings," in *Texas Library Journal*
"Automation at the Dallas Public Library," *Library Journal* (joint author).
"Local Sources of Funding." *Facilities Funding Finesse: Financing and Promotion of Public Library Facilities*, American Library Association
"Financing the Electronic Library: Models and Options," *Drexel Library Quarterly* (joint author)
"Legislative Support of Library Services in Texas." *Libraries in the Political Process*, Oryx Press
"Tilting at the Windmill," in *Library Journal*
"Understanding Federal Aid: What Good Is Washington
"What's Up In Downtown Dallas," *Southern Methodist University/Dallas Public Library*, editor, of the Proceedings
"Community Information Service: Should We? (Yes.) How? (Carefully!)" *Texas Library Journal*
"Interface With Local Information Agencies: A Community Information Network," *ERIC Clearinghouse on Information Resources*
"Building a Library: A Consultant's View" *Texas Library Journal*
"Survey of Cooperative Ventures in Texas Libraries," *Final Report of a Library Inter-Network Study Demonstration and Pilot Model*, SMU-Texas State Library
"Patrons Look at Libraries," *Library Journal*
"Library-Industry Cooperation: A Proposal," *Texas Library Journal*
"Free Space: Can Public Libraries Receive It?" *ALA Bulletin*