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**Petition to Form Independent Archives Section
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BACKGROUND

A new Section is needed to meet the unique needs of Independent, Private, and Contract Archivists and Archival Firms. No single Section currently offered by SAA covers the topics that interest Independent Archivists. Potential members have had to join multiple Sections, creating a web of support that is lacking a focus on the unique challenges faced by the Independent Archivist. A new Section will give members a voice within the SAA that they have not had in the past. Sections such as Business, Lone Arrangers, Preservation, and Records Management offer some support but rarely understand the specific scenarios faced by Independent Archivists.

The Independent Archives Section seeks to offer member advice and support on topics ranging from the nuances of business as an independent contractor to curation and access in a non-traditional repository. Unique facets of ethical and preservation activities with a thorough lack of institutional support will also be examined both by and for those working in non-traditional archives.

DISCUSSION

The Archival profession has been evolving and a new sector has emerged over the last decade; the Independent Archives. These Archivists are working for private individuals and non-traditional repositories, doing contract work, creating personal archives, archiving privately held collections and other non-traditional archival scenarios. As this sector expands Independent Archivists need a Section that speaks directly to their unique needs and gives them a voice within the SAA.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Council approve the creation of a new section, to be called the Independent Archives Section.

Support Statement: Below is a list of 145 SAA members, in good standing, who support the creation of the Independent Archives Section.

Impact on Strategic Priorities: The new section would assist in achieving all 4 goals as outlined in the Strategic Plan. The new section will serve an underserved, but growing, demographic of the SAA membership and archival profession.

Fiscal Impact: The cost of creating a new section will cause no undue burden to the SAA.

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