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## Laguna Niguel Regional Archives Is Moving to Riverside!

The National Archives regional archives in Southern California will move from Laguna Niguel to Riverside in early 2010. The regional archives holds 40,000 cubic feet of historical records created by federal agency field offices in Southern California, Arizona, and Clark County, Nevada.

In January, NARA will begin moving these records into a state-of-the-art archival storage bay in its Riverside facility, and the archives staff will commence operations in Riverside. Architectural and engineering modifications to the Riverside facility, which previously housed only NARA's Southern California Federal Records Center, have been completed.

Several factors made the move necessary. First, archival bays at Laguna Niguel's Chet Holifield Federal Building, a General Services Administration facility shared among a number of federal agencies, cannot be brought up to current archival storage standards. Second, a proposal to construct an anticipated archival facility in Orange County, as part of a major cultural development master plan, came to a stop for lack of funding

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David S. Ferriero

## David S. Ferriero is new U.S. Archivist

David S. Ferriero (rhymes with "stereo") was confirmed as 10th Archivist of the United States on November 6, 2009. At his swearing-in ceremony, Mr. Ferriero said, "I'm very excited about being here. I am looking forward to jumping in with both feet to work with the staff at the National Archives on the important issues that we face in a world increasingly dependent upon information and

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### Wrapped Up in Electronic Discovery?

#### Come to a Panel Discussion on Protecting your Agency with E-Discovery and Records Management Best Practices

Presented by the National Archives and Records Administration and the Northern District of California Chapter, Federal Bar Association

**Speakers:** **Jason R. Baron**, Director of Litigation, National Archives and Records Administration, and Co-Chair, The Sedona Conference® Working Group on Electronic Records

**Batya F. Swenson**, Partner, Litigation Section, E-Discovery Task Force, Hanson Bridgett LLP, San Francisco

**Chris Sullivan**, McGrane, Greenfield, LLP, San Francisco. President, Federal Bar Association, Northern District of California Chapter

**When:** **Thursday, February 25, 2010, 8:00 a.m. – Noon**

**Where:** **U.S. District Court, Ceremonial Court Room, 450 Golden Gate Ave, San Francisco**

**Cost:** **FREE** (but seating is limited, so please register early, no later 2/18!)

**Pre-registration required**  
email: [laguna.workshops@nara.gov](mailto:laguna.workshops@nara.gov)  
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## Laguna Niguel Regional Archives Bids “Farewell”

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and various other factors. Finally, rent increases at Laguna Niguel made continued large-scale occupancy of that facility uneconomical.

### The End of an Era

When the National Archives moved into the Laguna Niguel building in the 1970s, it was considered an architectural masterpiece. The agency was then known as the National Archives and Records Service (NARS) and was part of the General Services Administration. NARS occupied the ground floor of the massive, ziggurat shaped, modernistic structure. Being on the ground floor of a multistory building turned out to be problematic for archives and records storage. NARA’s Records Management Program will remain in the building in new offices, however.

NARA expects the move of the archival records to take five to six weeks. There will be some interruptions of reference service during the move, especially for textual records. Check our website for updates regarding the closing and re-opening of various portions of the archival collection: <http://www.archives.gov/pacific/laguna>



Top: Our Regional Archives’ home since the 1970s, the Chet Holifield Federal Building in Laguna Niguel. Above: The Archives’ new home in the NARA Riverside Federal Records Center, located in Perris, CA, sixty miles to the east.

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## David S. Ferriero

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technology."

Previously, Ferriero served as the Andrew W. Mellon Director of the New York Public Libraries (NYPL). Among his responsibilities at the NYPL was the development of the library's digital strategy, which currently encompasses partnerships with Google and Microsoft, a web site that reaches more than 25 million unique users annually, and a digital library of more than 750,000 images that may be accessed free of charge by any user around the world.

Before joining the NYPL in 2004, Ferriero served in top positions at two

of the nation's major academic libraries, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Duke University.

In those positions, he led major initiatives including the expansion of facilities, the adoption of digital technologies, and a reengineering of printing and publications.

Mr. Ferriero earned bachelor's and master's degrees in English literature from Northeastern University in Boston and a master's degree from the Simmons College of Library and Information Science, also in Boston. After serving in the Navy during the Vietnam War, he started in the humanities library at MIT, where he worked for 31 years, rising to associate director for public services and acting co-director of libraries.

## FRC Completes Digital Imaging Projects

The Riverside FRC's Digital Imaging Staff recently completed projects for the Army Corp of Engineers, the NARA Regional Archives, and Immigration and Customs Enforcement. In all three projects, the digital documents are copies for convenience of use, while the original records remain in paper format. For more information, please contact

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## Records Management Training, January-March, 2010

To register go to [archives.gov/records-mgmt/training/](http://archives.gov/records-mgmt/training/)  
or email our training registrar at [laguna.workshops@nara.gov](mailto:laguna.workshops@nara.gov)

### Basic Records Operations

January 28, 2010, Sacramento, CA  
February 3, 2010, San Diego, CA  
March 17, 2010, Long Beach, CA

### Creating and Maintaining Agency Business Information

February 23-24, 2010, Las Vegas, NV  
March 3-4, 2010, Sacramento, CA

### Asset and Risk Management

February 10-11, 2010, Tucson, AZ  
March 10-11, 2010, Las Vegas, NV

### Records Scheduling

February 25-26, 2010, Las Vegas, NV

### Records Schedule Implementation

February 8-9, 2010, Tucson, AZ  
March 8-9, 2010, Las Vegas, NV

### Records Management Program Development

February 12, 2010, Tucson, AZ  
March 12, 2010, Las Vegas, NV

### Emergency Planning and Response for Vital Records and Essential Information

March 24-25, 2010, San Francisco, CA

For our complete FY2010 Workshop Schedule, go to <https://nara.learn.com/learncenter>

## RECORDS TRANSFER, REFERENCE, and DIGITAL CAPTURE SERVICES WORKSHOPS

These **FREE** full-day Federal Records Center Program workshops teach you:

- ▶ How to transfer non-current records to your Federal Records Center
- ▶ How to make a request for reference services
- ▶ How to use ARCIS, the new Federal Records Center portal, and the FRC's new scanning service

**All classes held at the Riverside Federal Records Center, 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

### Dates

January 26, 2010    February 24, 2010    March 23, 2010  
April 27, 2010    May 18, 2010    June 8, 2010

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