

To: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA
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Subject: Priority order of additions to authorized access points representing a person
(9.19.1.1, 9.19.1.5, 9.19.1.6)

The text below reflects the decisions made by the Joint Steering Committee during its November 2012 meeting and in subsequent email discussion of a revised proposal. This text will be merged with reworded chapter 9 before it appears in the 2013 RDA Update of the RDA Toolkit.

Revision of the second “Allen, Charles ...” example and the “Callistratus ...” example in 9.19.1.5 is from 6JSC/LC/14.

9.19.1.1 General Guidelines on Constructing Authorized Access Points to Represent Persons

[1st paragraph & its examples unchanged]

Make additions to the name as instructed under 9.19.1.2–9.19.1.7, in that order, as applicable.

[examples unchanged]

[3rd paragraph unchanged]

Make the additions specified under 9.19.1.3–9.19.1.7 if they are needed to distinguish the person from another person with the same name.

Optional Addition

Make the additions specified under 9.19.1.3–9.19.1.7 even if there is no need to distinguish persons with the same name.

[last paragraph & examples unchanged]

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9.19.1.5 Period of Activity of the Person and/or Profession or Occupation

If none of the elements specified under 9.19.1.3 (date of birth and/or death) or 9.19.1.4 (fuller form of name) is available to distinguish one access point from another, add a term indicating period of activity of the person (see 9.3.4) or a term indicating profession or occupation (see 9.16).

EXAMPLE

Addition of a Period of Activity

Smith, John, flourished 1705

Smith, John, active 1719–1758

Xu, Zhen, active 1377

Xu, Zhen, jin shi 1523

Allen, Charles, 17th century

Allen, Charles, 18th century-19th century

EXAMPLE

Addition of a Profession or Occupation

Johannes (Notary)

A. K. (Musician)

Chris (Rapper)

Hancock, Mary (Architect)

Butler, Jean (Composer)

Hall, Daniel (Tax collector)

Orr, Marjorie (Veterinarian)

Watt, James (Gardener)

Brown, Carol (Flutist)

Optional Addition

Add a term indicating period of activity of the person and/or a term indicating profession or occupation in any order even if there is no need to distinguish between access points.

EXAMPLE

Bal'amī Abū 'Alī Muḥammad ibn Muḥammad, flourished
946–973

Aelfgifu, Queen, consort of Edwy, King of England, flourished 956

Callistratus, of Aphidna, flourished 377 B.C.–361 B.C.

Adam II, Abbot of Dore, flourished 1216–1226

Cai, Shangxiang, jin shi 1761

Zacharias (Notary), active 1232–1274

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[Content of existing 9.19.1.6 "Profession or Occupation" deleted; 9.19.1.6 becomes "Other Term of Rank, Honour or Office" – see 6JSC/BL/3]

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9.19.2.1 General Guidelines on Constructing Variant Access Points to Represent Persons

[1st paragraph & examples unchanged]

Make additions to the name, if they are considered to be important for identification, applying the instructions given under 9.19.1.2–9.19.1.7, as applicable.

[examples unchanged]