

To: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA
From: Dave Reser, LC Representative
Subject: High-level subject relationship in RDA

LC thanks the JSC Technical Working Group for providing the considerable analysis provided in the paper.

Recommendation 1: Add a primary relationship element to the RDA element set with the label “Subject”. We agree, assuming that this recommendation for the registry corresponds to the RDA changes proposed by 6JSC/ALA/31.

Recommendation 2: Bring the RDA descriptive relationships designators into line with FRASAD by allowing only Work to be the domain. We agree, but are not clear as to how exactly this would be represented in the RDA text (or is this distinction made only in the registry?).

Recommendation 3: Add to RDA the elements: Reference to Published Citation for works, expressions, manifestations and items. We agree, assuming that these are separate new elements *in addition to* the current 2.16 element for Preferred citation. We are not clear as to how exactly these would be represented in the RDA text.

Recommendation 4: Develop a set of designators that relate WEMI to the Work or Expression containing the Citation. We agree, but are not clear as to how exactly these would be represented in the RDA text.

Recommendation 5: New subject relationship designators should not specify a range class. The domain class should be the RDA Work entity. We agree.

Recommendation 6: not applicable.