

To: Renate Behrens, Chair, RDA Steering Committee

Cc: Anne Welsh, RSC Secretary

From: Elisa Sze, Education and Orientation Officer

Subject: Formal response to RSC/TranslationsTLO/2026/2 – Proposal on adding “scribe agent / etc.”, “scribe agent / etc. of”, “wood engraver agent /etc.” and “wood engraver agent / etc. of” as new elements to the RDA Toolkit, the corresponding new definitions to the Glossary, and the corresponding new properties to RDA Registry

Although I contributed suggestions during the drafting process of this proposal, I am providing a formal response here to assist with the RSC’s discussion.

Recommendation 1.1: Adding “scribe agent / etc.” and “scribe agent / etc. of” to the Toolkit.

I approve.

Recommendation 1.2: Adding “scribe agent / etc.” and “scribe agent / etc. of” to the Glossary.

I approve.

Recommendation 1.3: Adding “scribe agent / etc.” and “scribe agent / etc. of” to the Glossary.

I approve.

Recommendation 2.1: Adding “wood engraver agent / etc.” and “wood engraver agent / etc. of” to the Toolkit.

I approve the addition of the elements, but before finalizing, would like to request a discussion among the RSC regarding the broader/narrower element hierarchy as highlighted in the Examples Editor’s response ([RSC/TranslationsTLO/2026/2/ExamplesEditor](#)).

Given the differences across different authorities regarding an appropriate broader element for wood engraver agent, brief documentation of RSC’s interpretation would provide useful background for trainers who teach rare materials cataloguers, art cataloguers, and (potentially) archivists.

Recommendation 2.2: Adding “wood engraver agent / etc.” and “wood engraver agent / etc. of” to the Glossary.

I approve, pending discussion of 2.1.

Recommendation 2.3: Adding “wood engraver agent / etc.” and “wood engraver agent / etc. of” to the Registry.

I approve, pending discussion of 2.1.