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## EXPERIENCE

**Principal**  
**Rebecca Elder Cultural Heritage Preservation, Austin, TX** **2014-present**

- Provide preservation consulting services including needs assessments, emergency preparedness planning, and training for libraries, museums and archives.
- Advise clients on grant writing.
- Approved assessor for the Heritage Preservation Conservation Assessment Program.

**Preservation Consultant/Field Services Officer**  
**Amigos Library Services, Inc., Dallas, TX** **2004-2014**

- Conducted assessments and reported on preservation conditions in client libraries, museums and record centers; over 100 assessments conducted since 2004.
- Trained library, archive and museum professionals in book repair, photograph and audiovisual materials preservation, emergency preparedness, and best preservation practices in both face-to-face and live online environments.
- Created and updated presentations and workshops on a wide variety of preservation topics, including Preservation of Photographic Materials, Preservation of Audiovisual Materials, and Emergency Preparedness, Response and Recovery.
- Advised clients on grant writing for federal grants.
- Answered questions and provide advice to clients; provided telephone support to clients needing advice in emergency situations.

**Adjunct Instructor**  
**The University of Texas at Austin School of Information, Austin, TX** **2010-present**

- Facilitate and supervise student group needs assessments of cultural heritage institutions.
- Instruct graduate students in basic principles of preservation administration, including emergency preparedness, grant writing, and collections care.
- Instruct graduate students in basic principles of book repair including structure, repair program administration and protective enclosures.

**Harvard College Libraries, Cambridge, MA**  
**Collections Conservation Intern**

**2003**

- Observed and assisted in all facets of management of a large collections conservation lab, including preservation review, disaster planning, hiring, and interaction with other departments in the Harvard College Libraries.
- Designed and conducted condition survey of 300,000-volume collection.
- Performed conservation treatments on circulating and non-circulating materials.
- Supervised and trained two entry-level part-time technicians in start-up phase of a new branch library conservation program.

**EDUCATION**

**The University of Texas at Austin School of Information, Austin, TX**

Master of Science in Information Studies

Certificate of Advanced Studies in Conservation of Library and Archival Materials

**University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA**

B.A. English

**PRESENTATIONS**

2012-15	Assn. of Tribal Libraries, Archives and Museums	Multiple presentations on preservation topics
2015	Society of Southwest Archivists	Preservation of Audiovisual Material
2012	Texas Library Association	Preservation 101
2012	Texas Association of Museums	Role of the Conservator After a Disaster
2010	Texas Association of Museums	Identifying 19 <sup>th</sup> Century Photographs
2010	Society of Southwest Archivists	Preservation of Photographic Materials
2010	Int'l Institute of Municipal Clerks	Emergency Response Workshop

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

- AIC-CERT, Coordinator of volunteer emergency response team. Term indefinite.
- Program Committee, Texas Association of Museums, 2015
- Chair, Society of American Archivists National Disaster Recovery Fund for Archives Grant Review Committee. Term runs 8/2011-8/2016
- Member at Large, Preservation Section, Society of American Archivists. Term Runs 8/2014-8/2016
- Scholarship Review Committee, Assn. of Tribal Libraries, Archives and Museums 2014-2015

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

- American Institute for the Conservation of Historic and Artistic Works
- Society of American Archivists
- Society of Southwest Archivists
- Texas Association of Museums
- American Association for State and Local History