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Public Libraries Toolkit from the American Association of Law Libraries at <http://www.aallnet.org/sis/lisp/toolkit.htm>

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