## **ALA EXECUTIVE BOARD ELECTION 2014**

Mike L. Marlin Candidate:

Current Position: Director, Braille and Talking Book Library California State Library 900N. Street, Suite 110, Sacramento, CA 95814

**Education:** 

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## **Library Related Honors and Awards:**

- Institutional Liaison to California Council of the Blind, National Federation of the Blind of California, Blinded Veterans Association of California
- Member, Reading Rights Coalition, 2009 present
- Mentor, Business Advisory Council, Sensory Access Foundation (Sunnyvale, CA), 2008-12
- Librarian/Fundraising Liaison for Belize Foundation for Research and Environmental Education (BFREE), 1998-2008
- Pima County Public Library Liaison to Tucson Mayoral Commission on Disability Issues, 2005-07
- Vice President, Patron Advisory Council, Washington Talking Book & Braille Library, 2002-04
- Co-founder/editor/contributor, The Tentacle: Sounding the Depths of Northwest Creative Music (print and online Seattle magazine), 1997-2002
- Freedom to Read Foundation (FTRF) member

## Statement of Professional Concerns

I am vested in ALA, desire its success, strongly advocate for the growth of librarianship and libraries, advocate continuously for the Library Bill of Rights, strive to represent membership and my known constituents, and enjoy lively debate. I have never considered myself an executive, despite having recently cut off my pony tail... and I have retained my constructive, pro-voices-of-dissent disposition! In researching the