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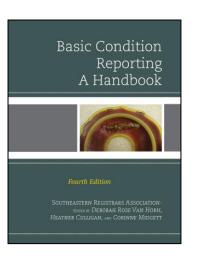
## Basic Condition Reporting: A Handbook, Fourth Edition

By the Southeastern Registrars Association
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#### About the Author

The Southeastern Registrars Association (SERA) was founded in 1978 to encourage high standards of museum practice and foster professional growth among museum registrars and collections managers in the southeastern region of the United States of America. SERA promotes the exchange and dissemination of information and ideas through professional development opportunities such as educational workshops and publications. SERA membership is open to those who are interested in collections and registration work in the southeastern United States and those who are interested in supporting this work. For more information about the organization, please visit our website at: <a href="http://www.seregistrars.org">http://www.seregistrars.org</a>.

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