

E6: Discovering Advocacy Web Tools



Your Key to Influencing
Congress

AALL and Advocacy

- ◆ Advocacy is one of AALL's 3 strategic directions
- ◆ AALL's Government Relations Office, located in D.C., advocates on *your* behalf
- ◆ We need your help to succeed!

Successes in 110th Congress

- ◆ *OPEN Government Act of 2007 (P.L. 110-175)*
- ◆ \$ 1 million and order to re-open EPA libraries
- ◆ *Charles H.W. Meehan Law Library Improvement and Modernization Act*
-NOCALL letter

Outlook for the 111th Congress

- ◆ AALL Statement to The Obama-Biden Transition Team: Public Policy Positions

<http://www.aallnet.org/aallwash/AALLTransition2008.pdf>

-Access

-IP

-Privacy

Challenges in the 111th Congress

- ◆ Competing priorities in Congress: health care, energy, environment...
- ◆ The economy
- ◆ Making your voice heard on Capitol Hill!

Priorities for the 111th Congress

- ◆ Increase funding for the Law Library of Congress
 - The *William Orton Law Library Improvement and Modernization Act* (H.R. 2728)
- ◆ Access to CRS reports (S. Res. 118)
- ◆ Reauthorization of the *PATRIOT Act*

GRO Communications Tools

- ◆ *AALL Washington E-Bulletin*
- ◆ *AALL Washington Blawg*
- ◆ “Washington Brief” column in *Spectrum*
- ◆ AALL Advocacy Listserv



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AALL's Fourth Annual Bloggers Get Together in D.C.

June 23, 2009
Save the date for AALL's 4th Annual Bloggers Get Together! This year, the get together will take place just around the corner from the convention center. Although I will unfortunately not be able to attend the meet up this year, I checked out the space and it should be a cool and fun place to hang out and get inspired by the guest speaker. Here's the announcement from Barbara Fullerton, DALL Blogger:

BLOGGERS, TWITTERS, AND OTHERS (Oh My!)

It's time to mark your calendars for the AALL's 4th Annual Bloggers Get Together!

Time: 5:30-6:30 p.m. (We have a space at 5 p.m. if you would like to come early!)
Date: Monday, July 27th
Place: Old Dominion Brew House

Just ask for the Bloggers! We'll be in the Back Room.

Here are the drinks/appetizers specials at Old Dominion Brew House:

The Happy Hour menu is basically a half-price deal:

- Buffalo Wings, Mozzarella Sticks, Fried Calamari, Spinach/Crab/Artichoke Dip, Potato-wrapped Tiki Shrimp, Southern BBQ Chicken Quesadilla, Chicken Fingers, Asian Lettuce Wraps or Shrimp Cocktail - \$4.50

- Nachos \$4, Chili-Cheese Fries \$3, Onion Rings \$2

The drink prices fluctuate more but currently offer 20oz drafts at \$3.99. It applies to the 32 draft products (31 fav beverages plus Old Dominion Root Beer).

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GRO Advocacy Tools

- ◆ Action Alerts
- ◆ AALL Advocacy Toolkit for the 111th Congress
 - ~RSS feed
- ◆ GRC's bill tracking list on their Web site


Other Bill Tracking Resources

- ◆ THOMAS: <http://thomas.loc.gov/>
- ◆ GovTrack: <http://www.govtrack.us>
- ◆ OpenCongress:
<http://www.opencongress.org>

Blogs and Other Tools

- ◆ OpenTheGovernment.org
- ◆ Sunlight Foundation blog
- ◆ OMB Watch blog
- ◆ Secrecy News blog

How You Can Get Involved

- ◆ Subscribe to the AALL Advocacy Listserv, and ask 5 friends to join
 - ◆ Let us know what's happening in your state
 - ◆ Respond to Action Alerts
 - ◆ Start or join your chapter's Government Relations Committee
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