



Who are Law Librarians, What Do We Do?

Law Librarians are skilled information specialists working in academic, corporate, government, law firm and public libraries. We help attorneys, judges, members of the public, professors and students find information on legal issues. Most of us hold master's degrees in Library and Information Science; some also hold law and other advanced degrees. We perform a variety of duties relating to the organization and distribution of legal information, including:

- providing specialized reference and research services
- executing online database searches
- teaching legal research and materials use
- training on the use of print and electronic legal information sources
- evaluating and collecting legal materials
- designing and maintaining circulation and information storage and retrieval systems
- preparing fiscal reports, budgets and long range plans
- promoting resource sharing among libraries

To Join LLAW

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What is LLAW?

The Law Librarians Association of Wisconsin (LLAW) is a non-profit organization established for educational, informational and social purposes. Its objectives are to promote librarianship, cultivate the profession of law librarianship, foster a spirit of cooperation among members and provide a forum for the exchange of ideas and resources on a statewide level.

LLAW became a chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries in June 1982. Today over 80 members represent all segments of the legal library community including private law firm, corporate, county, state, federal and academic librarians.

LLAW meets quarterly to discuss business, hear speakers and network with colleagues. Visitors are always welcome at our meetings. Please contact either the public relations or program chairs for the location and details of meetings. LLAW and its members also participate in library and legal conferences at the state and national level.

What Can LLAW Do For You?

LLAW provides the opportunity to develop professional and personal contacts and relationships within the local and national law librarian communities.



LLAW Committees

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LLAW Publications

LLAW Briefs is a newsletter published quarterly and distributed to all members. Available at: <http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/llaw/publications/index.htm>

Introduction to Legal Materials: a Manual for Non-Law Librarians in Wisconsin (2003). Available at: <http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/llaw/paliguide/index.htm>

LLAW Membership Categories

Active: Persons officially connected with a law library or law collection in any library in Wisconsin, or who have had such a connection with the past seven years.

Associate: Persons not connected with a law library or law collections, or who reside outside Wisconsin.

Student: Any individual currently enrolled in any institution of higher education that has an interest in law librarianship.

Sustaining: Any individual, company, institution or representative thereof, other than a law library, interested in supporting law librarianship.

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Law Librarian Placement Services

Wisconsin: LLAW's Placement Committee works to bring prospective law library employees and employers together. The committee scans local newspapers and professional literature and keeps in contact with colleagues who might have job openings at their libraries. For listings, see the Job Placement link on the LLAW website
<http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/llaw/jobplacement/index.htm>.

Nationally: The American Association of Law Libraries Career Hotline Listing is updated daily with employment opportunities for legal information professionals. Any employer, regardless of AALL membership, may post an available position for a minimal fee. The Career Hotline is available at
<http://www.aallnet.org/hotline/>.

AALL Annual Meeting & Conference

This premier educational and networking event provides members with the opportunity to learn from outside experts as well as from one another.

Each year, law librarians and information professionals look forward to honing their skills and exchanging ideas by choosing from a variety of educational programs and hands-on workshops.



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