

AALL/Wolters Kluwer Law & Business Grants Program Seeks Applications for \$5,000 in Research Grants to be Awarded This Year

The AALL Research & Publications Committee is accepting applications through Monday, November 9, 2009, for research grants from the AALL/Wolters Kluwer Law & Business Grants Program, totaling up to \$5,000.

The committee will award one or more grants to library professionals who wish to conduct research that supports the research/scholarly agenda of the profession of librarianship. The grants program funds small or large research projects that create, disseminate, or otherwise use legal and law-related information as its focus. Projects may range from the historical (indexes, legislative histories, bibliographies, biographies, or directories) to the theoretical (trends in cataloging, publishing, or new service models in libraries) to the practical (implementation models for collection, personnel, or infrastructure management).

The AALL Research Agenda offers suggestions for possible research projects that cover a wide segment of professional interest, including the profession of law librarianship, law library patrons, law library services, legal research and bibliography, legal information resources, and law library facilities. However, projects are not limited to those described in the agenda, and the committee will consider all applications and research projects. To review AALL's Research Agenda, please visit www.aallnet.org/committee/research/agenda.asp.

The AALL/Wolters Kluwer Law & Business Grant Program was first established in 1996 with a generous contribution of \$50,000. Wolters Kluwer Law & Business considers its contribution as an investment in research that will provide a prospective look at the role of librarians, researchers, and legal information providers and will yield results to which publishers can respond. The goal is to sponsor research that will have a practical impact on the law library profession and inspire products and changes in the marketplace.

To apply for the grants, all applicants must provide resumes and statements of their qualifications for carrying out their projects. The applications must demonstrate experience with research projects and an understanding of the dissemination and use of legal and law-related information. Priority will be given to individual AALL members or AALL members working in partnership with other information professionals. The grant application and complete guidelines are available at: www.aallnet.org/about/wklb_grant_application.asp.

The submission deadline for applications is Monday, November 9, 2009. Grants will be awarded and announced in January 2010. Allocation of the research grants will be at the sole discretion of the AALL Research & Publications Committee.

For more information about the grants, please contact Pamela R. Melton, chair of the AALL Research & Publications Committee, at prmelton@law.sc.edu.

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