

GLL Grants Committee 2018-2019 Annual Report

The Committee's charge for 2018-2019 was:

- Recommend to the Executive Committee how many grants should be offered this year (which conferences, number of grants, and monetary amount of each grant).
- Solicit member applications for approved travel/conference grants. Utilize Newsletter, website and listserv to communicate information. Recognize all awardees.
- Solicit member contributions to the GLL-SIS Grant Fund. Utilize Newsletter, website and listserv to communicate information. Recognize all donors.
- Conduct Annual Meeting Silent Auction, both online and at the GLL-SIS Breakfast and Business Meeting, to raise funds for travel/conference grants.
- Maintain a manual of procedures and/or timeline for the committee.
- Update and revise the grant application.

I am pleased to report that the Grants Committee has met each of these charges.

2018-2019 Grants Budget

In June 2018, The Board provided the Committee with funds to award four grants of \$1,500 each, for a total of \$6,000. We initially planned to offer one grant for the Management Institute, one for the Equal Justice Conference, and two for the Annual Meeting. As we had no applicants for the Equal Justice Conference, we rolled that grant over and awarded three grants for the Annual Meeting.

In 2018-2019, the following grants were awarded:

AALL Management Institute – one \$1,500 grant

Emily Bergfeld, Library Director
Alameda County Law Library
Oakland, California

AALL Annual Meeting – three \$1,500 grants

Leslie Greenwood, Reference Librarian
Minnesota State Law Library
St. Paul, Minnesota

Stephen Parks, State Librarian
Mississippi Supreme Court
Jackson, Mississippi

Francis Norton, Research Librarian
Law Library of Louisiana
New Orleans, Louisiana

Neither the Thomson Reuters Annual Meeting Registration Grant nor the Dr. Joel Fishman Annual Meeting Travel Grant was available this year.

The Committee publicized the grants via the My Communities listserv, on the Grant Committee webpage, and in the GLL Newsletter.

Proposed Grants to be offered in 2019-2020:

- 1 \$1,500 grant to the SRLN Conference
- 1 \$1,500 grant to the AALL Leadership Academy
- 2 \$1,500 grants to the AALL Annual Meeting

The Executive Board approved our request to issue the same funding for next year's grants: \$6,000. We plan to offer four \$1,500 grants again next year: two Annual Meeting grants, one grant to attend the SRLN Conference, and one to attend the AALL Leadership Academy.

Fundraising Campaign and Silent Auction

As in previous years, the Grants Committee conducted a GLL Grants Committee Fundraising Campaign, asking members to make monetary donations to support our travel and education grants. The campaign was announced on the My Communities listserv and an article soliciting donations was published in the summer GLL newsletter. The monetary donations were supplemented by the GLL Silent Auction, which was again coordinated by Gail Warren, Director of the Virginia State Law Library.

I am thrilled to report that the combined proceeds of the silent auction and the donations drive total \$4,229 raised for next year's professional and educational grants.

Grant Rules Update

In 2018, the Committee submitted a motion to the Executive Board to amend the Grant Rules with the following addition:

The monetary amount of a grant may be split between grant applicants at the discretion of the Committee.

The Executive Board approved the change in June 2018.

Finally, I would like to extend my thanks to all the members of the 2018-2019 Grants Committee for their dedication and hard work in assessing the worthy applications of our many qualified applicants.

Susan Falk, Chair 2018-2019 Grants Committee

2018-2019 GLL Grants Committee: Donna Bausch, Sandra Marz, Christine Morton, Regina Smith, Carol Suhre, Gail Warren, James Durham – Board Liaison, Susan Falk – Chair