



GOVERNMENT LAW LIBRARIES  
SPECIAL INTEREST SECTION



## REPORT OF THE GLL-SIS MEMBERSHIP AND MENTORING COMMITTEE 2024-2025

Chair:

Vacant

Members:

Tonya Baroudi

Kathy Carlson

Alicia Friedman

Holly Grimes

Ann Hemmens

Adriana Mark

Jessica Mundy

Amy Small, Board Liaison

### Committee Work

- The Committee has no Chair at the current time. Our prior chair, Malinda Muller, retired and stepped down from the role at the end of the 2024 AALL membership year.
- In January 2025, the M&M committee provided additional feedback on the revised committee handbook to Amy Small, Board Liaison and GLL-SIS Chair.

Membership:

- Although AALL does not track when a person joins a particular SIS (such as GLL-SIS) because it is an add-on to their AALL membership, the AALL headquarters staff are able to provide us with the number of active members that joined AALL since July 2024 and have GLL-SIS membership. As of May 28, 2025, that number is 18.
- Under the initiative of Tonya Baroudi, the Membership & Mentoring committee has completed the process of determining who will be awarded 20 year pins in 2025, also known as the GLL Longevity Awards. These GLL members have been members of AALL for twenty years and associated with GLL for ten of those years. Tonya identified nine recipients. Pins and certificates will be distributed at the GLL-SIS annual meeting 2025 in Portland. The names of the nine recipients was published in the [Winter/Spring 2025 issue](#) of the GLL-SIS newsletter. The recipients are:
  - Gina Catalano, San Diego Law Library
  - Karen Dibble, Dallas County Law Library
  - Stacy Etheredge, University of Idaho Law Library

- Venita Hoover, Oklahoma County Law Library
- Patricia Petroccione, retired, The Walter T. McCarthy Law Library
- Peter Rooney, Sacramento County Public Law Library
- Melissa Serfass, University of Arkansas at Little Rock Pulaski County Law Library
- Jessie Tam, Maryland Thurgood Marshall State Law Library
- Michael Tillman-Davis, United States Court of Appeals – 11th Circuit Library

#### Mentorship

- [GLL Mentorship Program: Build Your Skills:](#)
  - The committee continued to provide periodic posts to the GLL-SIS My Communities web community promoting particular mentorship database skill areas and encouraging members to take advantage of this resource.
  - Statistics related to links that are accessed by members on the [GLL Mentorship Program: Build Your Skills](#) database hosted on the AALL website are maintained by AALL IT staff. The database page views between August 1, 2024, and May 26, 2025, totaled 342 views (approximately 34 views per month).
- Newer Law Librarians Gathering
  - The Committee convened the fourth Newer Law Librarian Gathering online via a Zoom event with an AALL/GLL-SIS leader discussing leadership and professional development. Miriam Childs, Director of the Law Library of Louisiana and AALL Treasurer, was the special guest speaker at the Dec. 17, 2024 event. We had 18 attendees who conversed in small group breakout room sessions before the main presentation by Miriam Childs.

#### Outreach:

- The GLL newsletter. The committee submitted the following publicity articles in 2024/2025:
  - An announcement of the upcoming Newer Law Librarian Gathering to be held in Fall 2024 (in the Summer 2024 issue)
  - A posting highlighting the GLL Mentorship Database and invitation to participate/volunteer (in the Summer 2024 and Fall 2024 issues)
  - A list of the nine Longevity Award Pin recipients to be awarded at the AALL 2025 annual conference in Portland, OR (in the Winter/Spring 2025 issue)
  - “Newer Government Law Librarians: A Conversation with Miriam D. Childs”, an article by Miriam Childs, summarizing her presentation at the Dec. 17, 2024 Newer Law Librarians Gathering (in the Winter/Spring 2025 issue).