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AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF LAW LIBRARIES NAMES 2017 HALL OF FAME AWARD INDUCTEES

This Year's Winners Hail from Louisiana, California, and Virginia

CHICAGO, May 16, 2017—The American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) officially announced the recipients of its 2017 Hall of Fame Award today.

This year's inductees are:

- Catherine Lemann, research librarian at the Law Library of Louisiana in New Orleans, Louisiana
- Melody Lembke, associate law librarian for collection services at the University of California, Irvine School of Law Library in Irvine, California
- Joyce Manna Janto, deputy director of the law library at the University of Richmond School of Law in Richmond, Virginia
- Maryruth Storer, law library director at the Orange County Public Law Library in Santa Ana, California

The Hall of Fame Award was established in 2009 to recognize AALL members who have made significant, substantial, and long-standing contributions to the profession of legal information management—such as writing for legal publications, serving in AALL leadership roles, working with outside organizations on behalf of the profession, or serving as an exceptional role model for their colleagues.

Inductees have been AALL members for a minimum of 25 years and have contributed significant service to the profession in Association leadership positions.

“AALL has been a central part of my career development; the engagement, community, and leadership opportunities are phenomenal,” Lemann said. “As a past president, I encourage



members to be active and get involved. I'm proud to be an AALL member and honored to be one of this year's Hall of Fame Award winners."

"In over 40 years of AALL membership, I've held many Technical Services Special Interest Section (SIS) positions and served as the first SIS Council Chair, as an AALL Executive Board member, and on many AALL committees," Lembke said. "But often the most satisfying experiences have been as a discussion group leader with new catalogers or working on cataloging dilemmas with peers at AALL Annual Meetings. Those discussions are dear to my heart as a co-author of four editions of *Cataloging Legal Literature*."

"I would like to thank AALL for the honor of being named a Hall of Fame Award winner," Janto said. "Membership in AALL and the opportunities it has afforded me have allowed me to grow as a librarian. As a past president, I urge anyone interested in legal information or law libraries to join AALL; the continuing education and mentoring offered by the organization are tremendously helpful."

"For almost 40 years, AALL has served as a consistent source of information, education, and community for me; it truly is my legal knowledge network," Storer said. "I've always enjoyed being an AALL member, and I am grateful to be a Hall of Fame Award recipient."

"The 2017 Hall of Fame Award is being given to four longtime AALL members who exemplify significant and long-standing contributions to both the profession and the Association," AALL President Ronald E. Wheeler Jr. said. "They have each dedicated their career to contributing to the legal information industry, and we are thrilled to be able to recognize them for all they have done."

The Hall of Fame Award recipients will be recognized at AALL's upcoming 110th AALL Annual Meeting & Conference, to be held in Austin, Texas, from July 15-18, 2017.

For more information about AALL's Hall of Fame Award, visit bit.ly/AALLhof.

To learn more about the 2017 AALL Annual Meeting and to register, visit www.aallnet.org/conference. Early-bird registration is available through June 2, 2017. Full conference registrants who are not AALL members will receive a complimentary one-year AALL membership.

About AALL

The American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) is the only national association dedicated to the legal information profession and its professionals. Founded in 1906 on the belief that people—lawyers, judges, students, and the



public—need timely access to relevant legal information to make sound legal arguments and wise legal decisions, its nearly 4,500 members are problem solvers of the highest order. AALL fosters the profession by offering its members knowledge, leadership, and community that make the whole legal system stronger. For more information, visit www.aallnet.org.

About the AALL Annual Meeting & Conference

The AALL Annual Meeting & Conference is the premier educational and networking event for more than 1,500 legal information professionals. In its 110th year, the 2017 AALL Annual Meeting will be held in Austin, Texas—July 15-18, 2017—and offers three days of must-have educational programming featuring more than 70 sessions in six content areas. For more information, visit www.aallnet.org/conference.

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