



LEGAL INNOVATION & TECHNOLOGY SPECIAL INTEREST SECTION

LEGAL INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY SIS ANNUAL REPORT 2022-2023

ANNUAL MEETING

The Legal Innovation and Technology SIS (LIT-SIS) business meeting will be held virtually after the AALL Annual Meeting on July 27, 2023. LIT-SIS award winners will be recognized during the virtual LIT-SIS Annual Meeting. Our Annual Meeting Program Planning Committee, led by Rebecca Fordon, submitted a proposal for our annual Cool Tools programming, which was accepted by the AMPC and will be held on Sunday, July 16th. Other activities at the in-person annual meeting will include representation at the CONELL marketplace, a poster in the exhibit hall, and a members-only social event at Suffolk Law School's Legal Innovation and Technology Lab.

ANNUAL MEETING PROGRAM PLANNING COMMITTEE

Chair: Rebecca Fordon

The Annual Meeting Program Planning Committee met several times throughout the year. We submitted a proposal for our annual Cool Tools programming, which was accepted by the AMPC and will be held on Monday, July 17 at 1:15pm. We also hosted a very successful webinar, "Cool Cats Present Cool Tools" to answer questions about Cool Tools and promote participation, and further promoted Cool Tools participation through a post on the LIT-SIS blog. Finally, we will be co-hosting a roundtable on ChatGPT on Sunday, July 16 at 12:45pm.

BLOG COMMITTEE

Chair: Mari Cheney

Between June 2022 and June 2023, the LIT-SIS Blog Committee produced 31 posts, many of which were reposted by the KnowItAALL newsletter. Blog posts were also tweeted out on the LIT-SIS Twitter account. Mari Cheney produced regular posts with additional posts by Michelle Hook Dewey, Shay Elbaum, Debbie Ginsberg, Raphael D. Jackson-Ortiz, and Jackie McCloud. The goal for next year is to solicit interest in the Committee from members who have time to write a minimum of four posts per their term on the committee and to enlarge the committee to increase the number of blog posts written.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Chair: Laura Ray

Committee Members: Katie Brown, Eliza Boles, Kristie Chamorro, Khelani Clay, Julie Tedjeske Crane, Cynthia Guyer, *Jackie McCloud, Ariel Newman, Laura Ray, Robin Schard, Tom Seward, Colleen Skinner. [Jackie McCloud stepped down 6/20/2023.]

- The Committee Zoom met 9/28/2022 – Discussed possible program topics; Committee members selected topics they would like to pursue.
- The Committee Zoom met 11/30/2022 – Reviewed LIT 2022-2024 Strategic Plan; did not have any new ideas to add to the Plan. Continued to flesh out possible program topics.
- The Committee Zoom met 2/6/2023 – Continued to flesh out program topics.

In December 2022, Maggie Kiel-Morse and Emily Hoffman notified the Committee Chair that they had to step down from the LIT Education & DET Committees 2021-2022 proposal to develop a “How-To Tips & Techniques for Creating Audio & Video Content with an emphasis on accessibility/ captioning features and demonstration of specific tools” program.

In January 2023, Will Monroe notified the Committee Chair that he had to step down from the LIT Education & DET Committees 2021-2022 proposal to develop a “Managing Hybrid Learning Sessions” program. [Will served as the LIT-SIS Chair 2022-2023.]

Building off the “Managing Hybrid Learning Sessions” program concept, Committee Chair Laura Ray submitted "Effective Design and Delivery of Online/Remote Courses and Instructional Sessions" as a poster for the 2023 AALL Annual Meeting. The poster was accepted, and Laura will acknowledge the LIT-SIS Education Committee on it.

Eliza Boles and Kristina Chamorro volunteered to assist with moderating discussion during the LIT-SIS Roundtable at the 2023 AALL Annual Meeting. The Roundtable will be coordinated by Rebecca Fordon, the LIT-SIS Annual Meeting Program Committee Chair.

Future/Planned Programs:

- Eliza Boles and Ariel Newman (and perhaps Kristie Chamorro) are working on a "Using Social Media Platforms" program for Fall 2023. Subtopics they are considering include working with one's organizational communications department, gaining followers, and TikTok.
- Kristie, Cindy, and Tom Seward are working on a "How Are You Using ChatGPT?" program for 2024.

- Robin Schard, Katie Brown, Khelani Clay, Julie Tedjeske Crane, and Colleen Skinner are working on a "Developing a Law Technology Course" program, but do not have a time frame for the program. They are considering what subtopics would be best – "developing" course (e.g., getting a course approved by a curriculum committee), actual course content, what assignments students should do, Library as a content producer.

GRANTS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE

Chair: Marin Dell

Thank you to all the members of the LIT-SIS Grants and Awards Committee for their work over the past year. The Committee awarded Michelle Hook Dewey (Georgia State University) the 2023 ABA TECHSHOW Travel Grant in the amount of \$1000. We recognized the outstanding contributions to LIT-SIS of Darla Jackson (University of Tulsa) with the 2023 Kenneth J. Hirsh Distinguished Service Award. Finally, Shay Elbaum (University of Michigan) was awarded a \$1000 AALL LIT-SIS Grant for Students and New Librarians and Christy Smith (Seton Hall) was the recipient of the LIT-SIS Application for Experienced Librarian Educational Grant also in the amount of \$1000.000, both to awarded to attend the AALL annual meeting in Boston this July.

JOBS DESCRIPTION DATABASE COMMITTEE

Chair: Tawnya Plumb

Kimball Boone, Mariah Lewis, Pat Sayre-McCoy, Marijah Sroczynski, and Tawnya Plumb (Chair) began their work by documenting the history and mission of prior Job Descriptions Committees in a shared manual. This manual includes best practices and procedures for future committees to consider as they populate the database with LIT-related law librarian job descriptions. The committee includes librarians working in government, law firm, and academic law libraries, and members added job postings from their respective library types. The LIT-SIS Job Description database is kindly hosted by CALI Classcaster and is available at <https://csjddb.classcaster.net/>.

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

Chair: Kincaid Brown

I would like to thank the Committee of Shay Elbaum, Russell Gordon, and Tawnya Plumb for the



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successful completion of our work. We successfully were able to collect enough nominations for a full slate of candidates for the open positions in the LIT-SIS election which were Vice-Chair/Chair Elect, Secretary/Treasurer, and Member-at-Large.

OFFICERS

The 2022-23 Executive Board included Chair: Will Monroe; Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect: Brian Huffman; Secretary/Treasurer: Chelsey McKimmy; Members-at-Large: Tanya Thomas and Dinah Minkoff; and Immediate-Past Chair: Mari Cheney.

The 2023-24 Executive Board will be Chair: Brian Huffman; Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect: Michael Robak; Secretary/Treasurer: TBD; Members-at-Large: Dinah Minkoff and Matthew Braun; and Immediate-Past Chair: Will Monroe.

Respectfully Submitted,
Will Monroe, LIT-SIS Chair, 2022-23