PLLIP Member News for December 2019

2019 AALL BIENNIAL SALARY SURVEY & ORGANIZATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS
The 2019 AALL Biennial Salary Survey & Organizational Characteristics is now available on AALLNET. The digital edition remains a free benefit for members; print copies can also be purchased through AALLNET ($130 for members; $250 for nonmembers).

AALL COMMITTEE/JURY VOLUNTEER FORM – INCLUDES AMPC
Volunteer to serve on an AALL committee or award jury by completing and submitting the form located here. Please review the committee and award jury charges before applying.

New this year—the call for Annual Meeting Program Committee (AMPC) volunteers is now included in this call for volunteers process. Members may volunteer for any committee or award jury. If you are interested in serving on AMPC, you will be required to answer additional questions. Please review the AMPC charge and content area descriptions before applying for this Committee.

Note to current members of AALL committees and award juries: You are eligible to apply only if your appointment ends in July 2020.

Deadline: All volunteer applications for the 2020-2021 leadership year must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. EST on December 16, 2019.

WHAT PLLIP MEMBERS ARE UP TO – NEW POSITIONS, ARTICLES, PRESENTATIONS

- 3 Geeks and a Law Blog recent posts/podcasts by PLLIP members include: The AALL Animal Law Caucus: Acknowledging and Researching Animal Rights in a People-Centric World and Deep Dive on State Copyright Issues with Kyle Courtney and Ed Walters.
- Christine Bowersox, Reference Librarian at Sullivan & Cromwell, wrote a book review of Comparative Human Rights Law for DipLawMatic Dialogues (published by the FCIL Special Interest Section).
- David Whelan, Director, Legal Information & the Great Library at the Law Society of Ontario, authored several articles in October & November for his blog, Explorations With Information and Technology: Humbug and the Holidays, User Deterrence, Purposeful Data, and Confidentiality + Tech: The Nitty Gritty.
- Jean O'Grady, Director of Research & Knowledge Services at DLA Piper, authored the following posts on Dewey B Strategic: ALA Publishes: Law Librarianship in the Age of AI, It’s Budget Time! 12 Timely Tips to Help Manage Law Firm Costs, and Gavelytics Launches State Litigation Analytics New York Judges–Posts Analytics Webinar Recording.
- Keslie Kandt, Research Librarian at Davis Graham & Stubbs, published an article called, “Gaining a Competitive Edge without Breaking the Bank: Free and Low-Cost Competitive Intelligence Resources,” for the December 2019 issue of Colorado Lawyer.
- **Laura Olsen**, Legal Research Operations Specialist at Quarles & Brady (Madison, WI), authored an article in *Inside Track*, the newsletter of The State Bar of Wisconsin. The article is called “Legal Research: Considerations When Gathering Evidence on Social Media.”

- *Law Librarianship in the Age of AI*: The American Library Association recently published this book, which has contributions from many PLLIP members. The book was edited by **Ellyssa Kroski**, Director of Information Technology and Marketing at the New York Law Institute, and featured an Introduction by **Jean O’Grady**, Director of Research & Knowledge Services at DLA Piper. Contributing PLLIP authors include: **Chris Laut**, Director of Libraries and Knowledge Services at Sullivan & Worcester (“AI Tools and Applications”); **Erik Adams**, Research Analyst at Sidley Austin (“What Machine Learning Can Tell Us about Shakespeare”); **Heidi Heller**, Director of Research and Information Resources at Schnader Harrison Segal & Lewis (“Types of AI Tools in Law”); **Saskia Mehlhorn**, Director of Knowledge Services at Norton Rose Fulbright (“Ethics in the Use of AI”); **Scott Bailey**, Director of Research Services at Eversheds Sutherland (“Ethics in the Use of AI”); and **Steve Lastres**, Director of Knowledge Management Services at Debevoise & Plimpton (“Ethics in the Use of AI”).

- **Rebecca Engsberg**, Reference/Technical Services Librarian at Smith, Gambrell & Russell (Atlanta),

**DEADLINES FOR GRANT APPLICATIONS, NOMINATIONS, ETC.**

**AALL EMERGING LEADER AWARD - NOMINATIONS SOUGHT**
AALL is accepting nominations for the Emerging Leader Award. The nomination deadline is **January 31, 2020**. Letters of recommendation can take some time to gather and holidays are approaching, so the AALL award committee encourages to begin the process as soon as possible. This award recognizes newer members who have made significant contributions to the profession and have demonstrated the potential for leadership and continuing excellence. Self-nominations are accepted and encouraged.

**Selection criteria**
The nominee must:
- be a member in good standing of AALL
- have 10 or fewer years of law library experience
- have made a significant contributions to the Association and/or the profession
- have shown outstanding promise for continuing service and leadership (please provide specific examples of his/her continuing activities)
- **not** have previously received an Emerging Leader Award

More details on the award, including a link to the Nomination Form, can be found here: [Emerging Leader Award](#).

**AALL MINORITY LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT AWARD - ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS**
The Diversity & Inclusion Committee encourages eligible AALL members to apply for the Minority Leadership Development Award (MLDA).
The MLDA was created in 2001 to foster future leaders and introduce minority law librarians to leadership opportunities within the Association. MLDA recipients will receive **prepaid travel, lodging, and registration** for the 2020 AALL Annual Meeting in New Orleans, mentorship for at least one year from an experienced AALL leader, and the opportunity to serve on an AALL committee.

**Eligibility:**
Upon submission of the application, an applicant must meet all of the following criteria to be considered for the award:
- Be a current member of AALL;
- Be a member of a minority group as defined by current U.S. government guidelines as found in 62 F.R. 58782;
- Have a strong academic record and have earned a master's degree in Library/Information Science;
- Have no more than five years of professional (post-MLS or post-JD) library or information service work experience;
- Have been a member of AALL for at least two years or have two years of full-time, professional law library work experience; and
- Demonstrate leadership potential.

**Award Benefits:**
- Travel, lodging, and registration expenses to attend the 2020 AALL Annual Meeting in New Orleans;
- An experienced AALL leader to serve as the recipient's mentor for at least one year; and
- An opportunity to serve on an AALL committee during the year following the award.

**Application Deadline:** February 1, 2020

**Application Form and More Information**

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The American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) Excellence in Community Engagement Award Jury is excited to announce that it is accepting nominations for the current award cycle. The Excellence in Community Engagement Award honors outstanding achievement in public relations activities by an AALL member, SIS, chapter, library, or any other group affiliated with the Association. It is designed to recognize and honor activities or projects that exemplify outstanding outreach efforts through community engagement and that raise the visibility of the profession and the Association. This award will honor persons or groups who have demonstrated excellence in community engagement, collaboration, visibility, networking, and/or member-to-member relationships. More details about the award criteria and the list of last year's winners can be found [here](#).

Eligible projects for this award cycle must have taken place between January 1, 2019 and December 31, 2019. The online nomination form is available [here](#). The deadline for
nominations is **February 3, 2020**. The members of the [ECE Jury](#) look forward to receiving your nominations!

**AALL NEW PRODUCT AWARD - NOMINATIONS SOUGHT**
Have you discovered a new product that you think is great? Nominate it for the **AALL New Product Award**! Any AALL member may nominate products. Vendors can nominate their own products.

**Deadline for Submissions: February 3, 2020**

This award honors new commercial information products that enhance or improve existing law library services or procedures or innovative products that improve access to legal information, the legal research process, or procedures for technical processing of library materials.

A "new" product is one that has been in the library-related marketplace for two years or less. New products may include, but are not limited to, computer hardware and/or software, educational or bibliographic material, or other products or devices that aid or improve library workflow, research, or intellectual access. Products that have been reintroduced in a new format or with substantial changes are eligible.

[Details](#)
[Nomination Form](#)