

PLLIP Member News for January 2020

ANNOUNCING 2020-2021 PLLIP BOARD CANDIDATES

The election for the PLLIP 2020-2021 Board is coming soon! Voting will begin in April, so please keep an eye on your inbox for voting instructions.

We are pleased to announce the following slate of candidates:

- Vice-Chair/Chair – Marcia Burris and Mark Gediman
- Secretary – Allison Reeve Davis and Tanya Livshits
- Member at Large – Andre Davison and Michelle Trovillo

Everyone nominated demonstrates strong leadership qualities and will be a contributing member to the board if elected. Candidate bios and photographs will be sent out closer to the election. Thanks go out to the Nominations Committee for their diligent work.

Nominations Committee:

Julie Pabarja, Co-Chair

Susana Camargo-Pohl, Co-Chair

Blythe McCoy

Marie Calvaruso

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

- **3 Geeks and a Law Blog** recent posts/podcasts by PLLIP members include: [Ep. 62 – Professor Ben Barton on Fixing Law Schools](#), [Top Ten Geek In Review Podcast Episodes for 2019](#), [Ellyssa Valenti Kroski on Law Librarians in the Age of AI, & a Hamilton Escape Room](#), and [Matt Sunbulli on Fishbowl’s Entry into the Legal Industry Social Media Space](#).
- **Cameron Gowan** will be leaving the library world. She begins her new career path at Buchanan Ingersoll & Rooney PC and will be the Regional Office Manager.
- **Caren Luckie**, Research Attorney at Jackson Walker, authored a post for RIPS Law Librarian Blog, called “[Orientation Varies for New Hires](#).”
- **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*: [Where Am I?](#), [The Format Rut](#), [Death Unbecomes Us](#), [Elements of the Legal Research Bundle](#), [Rebuild a Hacked Web Site](#), [Get a New Edge](#), and [The Little Things](#).
- **G. Patrick Flanagan**, Research Analyst at BakerHostetler, authored an article in the January/February issue of *AALL Spectrum*, called “[Talking Tech: The Evolving Market for Company Information](#).”
- **Holly M. Riccio** is the new Director of the California Judicial Center Library in San Francisco. The CJCL serves the Justices and staff of the Supreme Court of California and the Court of Appeal, First Appellate District, and staff of the Judicial Council of California. Holly is the 10th librarian to serve in this capacity since the role of Supreme Court Librarian was authorized by statute in 1893. In addition to management of the law

library, Holly also oversees Special Collections and Archives, including the California Supreme Court archive collection.

- **Jean O’Grady**, Director of Research & Knowledge Services at DLA Piper, published an article in *Above the Law* entitled, “[Analytics, AI and Insights: 5 Innovations That Redefined Legal Research Since 2010.](#)” She also authored the following posts on *Dewey B Strategic*: [Gavelytics Granted a Patent for Court Analytics Platform](#), [LexisNexis Announces Relaunch of State Net Celebrating 50 Years With Analytics and Forecasting Features](#), [The Most Popular "Dewey B Strategic Posts" of 2019](#), [Gavelytics Launches New Legal Business Intelligence Tool Leveraging State Court Analytics](#), and [Fastcase Brings Down the Legal News Paywall With Relaunch of Law Street Media – Market Disruption to Follow?](#).
- **Kevin Miles**, Manager of Library Services at Norton Rose Fulbright, authored an article in the January/February issue of *AALL Spectrum*, called “[Practical Competitive Intelligence: Standard & Non-Standard Competitive Intelligence Resources.](#)”
- **Lindsey Carpino** is now the Legal Content Services Supervisor at BakerHostetler, in Chicago.
- **Maribel Nash**, Business/Legal Research Analyst at DLA Piper, co-authored an article in the January/February issue of *AALL Spectrum*, called “[Reference Desk: Dealing with Burnout.](#)”
- **Mark Estes**, InfoPro Consulting, was featured in the [Leader Profile](#) section of the January/February issue of *AALL Spectrum*.
- **Scott D. Bailey**, Director of Research Services at Eversheds Sutherland, co-authored an article with his colleague, Katherine P. Simms, in the January/February issue of *AALL Spectrum*, called “[Knowledge to the Rescue: The Innovative Deployment of Information Professionals.](#)”

UPCOMING WEBINARS/CONFERENCES

AALL INFORMATION MANAGEMENT: BOK SKILLS IN LAW FIRM PRACTICE

Please join us for an AALL webinar on Wednesday, January 29, 2020 / 11:00 a.m. (CST)

- [Register](#) by Thursday, January 23, 2020
- Members - Free / Nonmembers - \$60

Description: On the job is where you put your skills and competencies to the test. Do you know what you need to know or can you up-skill quickly to meet the demands within your organization? Join four leaders within the law firm library sector as they highlight how competencies and skills within the information management domain are utilized in practice to manage and execute departmental responsibilities within law firms.

Speakers

Elaine Egan

Director of Global Libraries & Information Services
Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP

Greg Lambert

Chief Knowledge Services Officer

Jackson Walker LLP

June Liebert

Director of Information Services
O'Melveny & Myers LLP

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](#)

INNOVATIONS IN TECHNOLOGY AWARD - CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Please note that Nominations for this year's Innovations in Technology Award are due on **February 2, 2020**.

This Award was established to honor technological projects/innovations that impact and benefit library users and/or the legal information community and that support the strategic goals and business objectives of the creators' organization. A nominee's use of technology must demonstrate how librarians or information professionals effectively and efficiently serve as the human connection between technology, the information, and the user experience.

Nomination applications and supporting documentation must describe 1) the application of technology, 2) how the application benefits library users and or the legal information community and 3) how the technology resource is an example of librarians and information professionals effectively and efficiently serving as the human connection between technology, information and the user experience.

More information and a list of past winners is available [here](#). The nomination form is available [here](#).

There are no restrictions on the number of entries an applicant may submit, but each entry must be submitted separately. To submit a nomination, please email the nomination form and supporting documentation to Christopher Siwa, csiwa@aallnet.org. Please direct questions to:

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AALL EXCELLENCE IN COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AWARD - NOMINATIONS SOUGHT

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](#)

PLLIP AWARDS 2020

The PLLIP Awards Committee is now accepting nominations for 2020, and it's time to send us the names of your nominees!! The deadline for submission is **February 22, 2020**.

The categories for our awards are below:

- ***Advocate of the Year:*** designed to recognize a member who has been a strong advocate of private law librarianship to the Private Law Libraries SIS, their organization, and the

larger legal community and who demonstrates outstanding potential for continued service and leadership within the SIS and the profession.

- **Selection Criteria:** nominees must 1) be a member in good standing of AALL and PLLIP 2) have made significant contributions to PLLIP and their organization, and 3) show outstanding potential for continued service and leadership within PLLIP and the profession.
- **Best Blogger/Writer of the Year:** designed to recognize a member who has made significant blogging/writing contributions to the private law library profession, their organization, and the Private Law Librarians SIS and demonstrates outstanding potential for continued service and leadership within the SIS and the profession.
 - **Selection Criteria:** nominees must 1) Created blog posts or articles that contribute to topics relating to librarianship, law librarianship, and practical applications for library work or to an understanding of legal materials, legal systems legal information, or to professional and staff training and development 2) demonstrate high quality of writing and effectiveness of the communication technique utilized for the information sought to be conveyed 3) be a member in good standing of AALL and/or PLLIP 4) have made significant contributions to PLLIP and their organization, and 5) show outstanding potential for continued service and leadership within PLLIP and the profession.
- **Hall of Fame:** designed to recognize a retired member who over the entire course of their career made significant contributions to the private law library profession, their organization, and the Private Law Librarians SIS.
 - **Selection Criteria:** nominees must 1) be a member in good standing of AALL and PLLIP 2) have been a law librarian for at least 15 years, and 3) have made significant contributions to PLLIP and/or their organization.
- **Service to PLLIP Award:** designed to recognize an individual who has provided significant service to the Private Law Libraries SIS. The award includes a plaque as well as a registration grant for the AALL Annual Meeting or the PLLIP Summit, to be used within one year of the award.
 - **Selection Criteria:** nominees must 1) not have previously received the Service to PLLIP Award 2) have provided special service to PLLIP or have a record of sustained service and to their organization, and 3) not be a current or immediate past officer of PLLIP.
- **Vendor/Outside Champion Award:** designed to recognize activities or initiatives by outside vendors which promote the value of information professionals to the broader legal community. Initiatives could include advertising campaigns, surveys or articles which highlight or demonstrate the value of information professionals; inviting or facilitating opportunities where information professionals speak or write for an audience of law firm partners and executive directors. Specifically excluded are initiatives paid for by AALL or PLLIP and traditional sponsorship of conferences and educational activities.
 - **Selection Criteria:** nominees must 1) have initiated programs or activities that promote the value of information professionals to the broader legal community 2)

not have received payment for the activity or initiative by AALL or PLLIP, and 3) not be a current or immediate past officer of PLLIP.

- ***Distinguished Librarian:*** designed to recognize a long-time active member whose contributions to the profession, their organization, and service to the Private Law Librarians SIS have been significant, substantial and long-standing.
 - **Selection criteria:** nominees must 1) be an active member in good standing of AALL and PLLIP 15 years or more, and 2) have made significant contributions to PLLIP and their organization.

- ***Emerging Leader of the Year:*** designed to recognize a member in the early stages of his/her career who has made significant contributions to the law library profession, their organization, and the Private Law Libraries SIS and demonstrates outstanding potential for continued service and leadership within the SIS and the profession.
 - **Selection criteria:** nominees must: 1) be an active member in good standing of AALL and PLLIP, 2) be in the first 2-5 years of their law library career, 3) have not previously received the PLLIP Emerging Leader Award, 4) have made significant contributions to PLLIP and their organization, and 4) show outstanding potential for continued service and leadership within PLLIP and the profession.

- ***Innovative Professional:*** designed to recognize a member who has demonstrated significant innovation to the private law library profession, their organization, and the Private Law Librarians SIS, and who demonstrates outstanding potential for continued service and leadership within the SIS and the profession.
 - **Selection criteria:** nominees must: 1) be a member in good standing of AALL and PLLIP and/or chapter members, 2) have made significant contributions to PLLIP and their organization, and 3) show outstanding potential for continued service and leadership within PLLIP and the profession.

The 2020 PLLIP Award nomination form is available at <https://www.aallnet.org/pllipsis/about-us/committees/awards-committee/>. Please direct questions to the following Awards Committee members:

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