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## PLLIP-SIS MEMBER NEWS FOR NOVEMBER 2020

### AALL PLLIP NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- AALL Executive Board Election Results: two PLLIP members have been elected to serve as Executive Board members beginning July 2021. Congratulations to **Michelle Hook Dewey** (Legal Research Services Manager, BakerHostetler) and **Kristina Niedringhaus** (Associate Dean for Law Library & Information Services & Professor, Georgia State University College of Law Library). A special thank you to those who ran for election. PLLIP appreciates that you stepped up to run!

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

- **Shari Berkowitz Duff** (Research Librarian, Jones Day) interviewed our mascot in “Questions with Puron: The Tables are Turned! – Interview with Our Penguin Mascot, Puron” ([available here](#))
- **Jason Callan** (Law Librarian, Davis Wright Tremaine LLP) published his memoir, 27 Apple Trees ([available for purchase here and other retailers](#))
- **Patricia Barbone** (Director of Library Services, Hughes Hubbard & Reed LLP) conducted an interview for a Leader Profile: “Leader Profile: Chris Laut” ([available here](#))
- **Allison Reeve Davis** (Library Manager, Littler Mendelson PC) was featured in the November/December *AALL Spectrum* “Member Profile: Vantage Point” ([available here](#))
- **Stephanie Goodley** (Director of Knowledge Management and Library Services, Ropes & Gray LLP) wrote “Tech-Savvy: Law Librarians for the new Era” in the November/December *AALL Spectrum* “Member Profile: Vantage Point” ([available here](#))
- **Toby Broen** (Chief Practice Management Officer, Perkins Coie, LLP) penned “Legal Information Professionals: The Next Generation” in the November/December *AALL Spectrum* “Member Profile: Vantage Point” ([available here](#))
- **Holly M. Riccio** (Director, California Judicial Center Library) was featured in the November/December *AALL Spectrum* “Leader Profile: Leading with Optimism” ([available here](#))
- **June Liebert** (Director of Information Services, O’Melveny & Myers LLP) was included in “Ask A Director: The Impact of COVID-19 on Organizations’ Tech Plans” in the November/December *AALL Spectrum* ([available here](#))
- **Andre Davison** (Research Technology Manager, Blank Rome LLP) wrote “Voices Across the Spectrum: Combating Systemic Racism” in the November/December *AALL Spectrum* ([available here](#))
- **Mark Gediman** (Reference Librarian, Alston & Bird LLP) penned “Practical Competitive Intelligence: Managing Expectations in the Age of Working from Home” in the November/December *AALL Spectrum* ([available here](#))



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- **Maribel Nash** (Senior Research Services Analyst, Cooley LLP) and **Scott Vanderlin** (Student Services Librarian, University of Chicago D'Angelo Law Library) co-wrote "Reference Desk: Taking the Next Step in Your Career" in the November/December *AALL Spectrum* ([available here](#))

## UPCOMING WEBINARS

### THINKING STRATEGICALLY ABOUT DEMONSTRATING YOUR ORGANIZATIONAL VALUE AMIDST COVID (THOMSON PARTNER WEBINAR)

Date: Thursday, December 3, 2020 (2:30pm - 3:30pm US/Central)

Speaker: **Kristina Niedringhaus** (Associate Dean for Library & Information Services and Clinical Professor of Law, George State University College of Law), **Molly Hagen** (Manager of Research Services, Robins Kaplan LLP), **Camille Broussard** (Associate Dean for Information Services & Director, The Mendik Library at New York Law School), and **Saskia Mehlhorn** (US Director, Knowledge Services, Norton Rose Fulbright)

Anxiety about job losses, pay cuts, and furloughs during the pandemic is high among legal information professionals. Effectively conveying what you bring to the table is more important than ever, and your forward-thinking peers are here to help. Head into 2021 with a new approach for analyzing what you need to stop, start, and continue doing to deliver the highest value for your most important customers. Learn how your peers strategically answer these questions and proactively communicate results.

Registration for this event closes on December 1. Login instructions will be sent prior to the webinar.

[Click here to register](#)

### LIVE INTERVIEW SERIES: SO YOU WANNA ENGAGE SOMEONE REMOTELY?

Date: Wednesday, December 16, 2020 (12pm - 12:45pm US/Central)

Speakers: **Jessica Almeida** (Associate Librarian at UMass School of Law) and **Nicole Dyszlewski** (Head of Reference, Instruction, and Engagement at Roger Williams University School of Law)

We are living through unprecedented times, where most interactions now occur through virtual environments. Without in-person programming and outreach with our users, our work can feel at times as if it exists in the abstract and disconnected from our colleagues and community. As we say goodbye to 2020, with no end to zoom fatigue in sight, it's more important than ever to consider whether we are reaching and connecting with our users. So, how do we measure whether we are connecting with our users? What tools



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best create community in a virtual environment? How do we maintain a connection with our users without time with them in person?

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