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PLLIP-SIS MEMBER NEWS FOR MARCH 2022

PLLIP ELECTION FOR 2022-2024

- The election will open April 11th. Please watch your inbox for voting instructions.
 - Candidates
 - Vice Chair/Chair Elect:
 - **Christina McKennerney** (Legal Information Services Specialist, Liberty Mutual)
 - **Amy Weiner** (Research Manager, Sidley Austin LLP)
 - Secretary:
 - **Julia Stahl** (Research Services Manager, Akerman LLP)
 - **Ana Rosa Ramirez Toft-Nielsen** (Professional Development Innovation Manager, Greenberg Traurig, LLP)
 - Member at Large:
 - **Alexis Branham** (Legal Content Specialist, BakerHostetler)
 - **LiMin Fields** (Manager of Research and Knowledge Services, Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox)
 - Thank you to the Nominations Committee for their work.
 - Nominations Committee:
 - **Diana Koppang** (Chair) (Director of Research & Competitive Intelligence, Neal, Gerber & Eisenberg LLP)
 - **Lisa Fricker** (Senior Research Librarian, Ropes & Gray LLP)
 - **Michelle Trovillo** (Senior Manager, Legal Content Services, BakerHostetler)
 - **Saskia Mehlhorn** (US Director, Knowledge Services, Norton Rose Fulbright)
 - **Rita Young** (Law Librarian, K&L Gates)

AALL 2022: ADVANCING JUSTICE FOR ALL (JULY 16-19, DENVER CO)

- The Conference Schedule at a Glance is available in the March/April 2022 edition of AALL Spectrum ([available here](#)).
- Registration is open ([link](#)).

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

- **Kim Nayyer** (Edward Cornell Law Librarian, Cornell University Law Library) was featured in the [Member Profile Vantage Point](#) in the March/April 2022 edition of AALL Spectrum ([available here](#)).
- **Katherine Lowry** (Director of Practice Services, BakerHostetler) was recognized by Relativity ODA LLC on its inaugural list of “Artificial Intelligence Visionaries.” The list is a compilation of 46 honorees – including partners and general counsel, as well as leaders sitting in e-discovery, diversity, privacy, compliance and risk

management roles at Fortune 500 companies and top law firms – who have excelled in AI adoption and advocacy ([available here](#)).

- **Cynthia Brown** (Senior Director, Research Services, Littler Mendelson) was interviewed for the Ask a Director profile entitled Virtual Training & Onboarding: Lessons Learned in the March/April 2022 edition of AALL Spectrum ([available here](#)).
- **Mike Saint-Onge** has earned a new job title of Director of Research Training and Engagement at Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP.
- Reference Desk: Advice for Setting & Actually Reaching Your Professional Development Goals was written by **Miriam Childs** (Director of the Law Library of Louisiana Supreme Court in New Orleans, Louisiana), **Andre Davison** (Operations Implementation Manager, Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe, LLP) and **Scott Vanderlin** (Student Services Librarian, University of Chicago D'Angelo Law Library) in the March/April 2022 edition of AALL Spectrum ([available here](#)).
- PLLIP Webinar: Contract Negotiations was held February 22, 2022. It included topics such as: how to prepare, maintaining vendor relationships, common negotiation strategies, and clauses and terms. The panelists were **Diana J. Koppang** (Director of Research & Competitive Intelligence, Neal, Gerber & Eisenberg LLP), **Michelle Trovillo** (Senior Manager of Legal Content Services, BakerHostetler) and moderated by **Laurel Evans** (Manager of Research Services, Lane Powell PC).
- **Brittany Kolonay** (Legal Researcher, BakerHostetler) and **Chris Pamboukes** (Senior Legal Researcher, BakerHostetler) wrote an article in the current CRIV sheet on presenting good advice about "Beta Testing" ([available here](#)).
- BakerHostetler welcomed new hire **Jeannette Mazur** as a Legal Content Specialist to their Legal Content Services Team.

UPCOMING WEBINARS

HYBRID LEGAL RESEARCH INSTRUCTION (ALL-SIS)

Date: Thursday, April 21, 2022 (12pm - 1pm US/Central)

Please join the Academic Law Libraries (ALL-SIS) Continuing Education Committee for a virtual, informal conversation on teaching in a hybrid environment. Speakers include Alyson Drake, Instructional Services Librarian, Fordham Law Library; Genevieve Tung, Associate Director for Educational Programs, Biddle Law Library, University of Pennsylvania; and Emily Barney, Digital Education and Internal Resources Librarian, Chicago-Kent Law Library. The speakers will be sharing lessons learned with advice on what to do and what to avoid in delivering hybrid education. Time will be provided for the panelists to answer your questions.

([Click here to register.](#))

WE ARE ALL PROFESSIONALS: INCLUSION, OTHERING, AND THE CHANGING NATURE OF LIBRARY ROLES

Date: Wednesday, April 27, 2022 (1pm - 2pm US/Central)



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Automation, transition away from print, and shrinking staffs have resulted in major transitions in library assistant roles over the past few decades. Highly routinized work is disappearing; deep skills in process and project management, problem-solving, and supervision are the norm. Yet in many workplaces' library assistants continue to be treated as a separate class of workers, and persistent attitudes about "paraprofessionals" and their work abound. In this webinar, we will discuss the changing nature of the typical library assistant, illuminate the ways that othering these colleagues can create a discouraging work environment, and articulate a vision for moving past this bifurcation to a future where the knowledge and expertise of all colleagues is valued, respected, and celebrated.

[\(Click here to register.\)](#)

*MAXIMIZING LEGAL ANALYTICS AS A COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE IN STATE TRIAL COURTS
(TRELLIS PARTNER WEBINAR)*

Date: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 (2pm - 3pm US/Central)

Join AALL and Trellis for an engaging presentation as we cover how legal analytics enables your team to analyze the behavior and history of your judge, competitive counsel, prospects and clients to gain crucial insights into litigation history and ruling tendencies. We'll show you how to leverage state trial court - and verdict - data to be more efficient, more proactive, and achieve better results for your firm and clients. You'll learn how to maximize legal analytics for your firm to gain a competitive advantage, win cases and bring in more money when litigating in state trial courts.

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