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

- **Marcia Burris** started a new position this month as the Dir. Research & Knowledge Mgmt at Womble Bond Dickinson (US) LLP.

UPCOMING WEBINARS

**AALL WEBINAR: THE LIFE & LIBRARY OF ROBERT MORRIS, AMERICA'S SECOND BLACK LAWYER**

Date: Thursday, February 29, 2024 (11am - 12pm US/Central)

Robert Morris was the nation’s second African American lawyer. An activist for civil rights and abolition, he risked his own freedom to aid fugitives from slavery. He advocated for integrated schools, advancing legal arguments that anticipated the Supreme Court’s decision in Brown v. Board. His personal library lives at Boston College, and his books have been an important pathway through which to explore his career and personal life. The presenters look forward to sharing the highlights of Morris's biography and his collection, as well as their experiences building a website to share his story and with the ongoing detective work to identify more of his books.

(Click here to register.)

**AALL VIRTUAL MEMBERS OPEN FORUM**

Date: Thursday, February 29, 2024 (1pm - 1:45pm US/Central)

As part of AALL’s ongoing commitment to fostering open communication and engagement, the Executive Board invites you to join them for a Virtual Members Open Forum on Thursday, February 29 from 1:00 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. CST. This forum will provide you with the opportunity to connect directly with the Executive Board to learn more about AALL’s activities and ask questions related to the Association. In addition to asking questions during the Zoom meeting, you may submit questions in advance. The deadline to do so is Monday, February 26. Please note: The Members Open Forum will not be recorded.

(Click here to register.)

**2024 DIVERSITY SUMMIT: A NEW DEI? ROADBLOCKS AND PIPELINES**

Date: Friday, March 1, 2024 (12pm - 4pm US/Eastern)
The Private Law Librarians & Information Professionals SIS (PLLIP-SIS) and Black Law Librarians SIS (BLL-SIS) are excited to announce the 2024 Diversity Summit: A New DEI? Roadblocks and Pipelines. The fourth annual Diversity Summit will focus on examining the recent and continuing changes in DEI efforts prompted by the landmark SCOTUS decision against affirmative action. On the other side of this, we are exploring pipelines as a means of building diverse talent in our organizations.

The Diversity Summit will be held as a virtual event on Friday, March 1, 2024 from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. ET.

For the latest information, please visit https://pllipdiversitysummit.wordpress.com/. If you have any questions, please contact Rachel Lyles at rachel.lyles@alston.com.

(Click here to register.)

**HERE COME THE SUMMERS: ONBOARDING SUMMER ASSOCIATES (PLLIP-SIS)**

**Date:** Thursday, March 14, 2024 (12pm - 1:00pm US/Central)

Join the PLLIP-SIS for a discussion from the private law firm perspective and law school perspective for what law firms and information professionals can do to support a successful Summer Associate class.

Speakers: Mary Adams (Research & Outreach Librarian, Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner), Brittany L. Menton (Research & Knowledge Services Manager, Lewis Roca), Sam Cabo (Digital Resources Librarian, William Taylor Muse Law Library)

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**RESOURCES AT THE NATIONAL INDIAN LAW LIBRARY (PLLIP-SIS)**

**Date:** Thursday, April 4, 2024 (12pm – 1:00pm US/Central)

There are 574 federally recognized Native American tribes in the United States, all with their own unique governments and laws. Unlike the laws for many jurisdictions in the U.S., however, these laws can be difficult to find, if they are accessible at all. This session will discuss some of the reasons tribal law can be hard to find and the best resources for locating tribal law, including tribal websites, legal publishers, and NILL’s Tribal Law Gateway. The session will conclude with a brief description of some of the other resources available to researchers through the National Indian Law Library.

Speaker: Anne Lucke, Library Director at National Indian Law Library

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**VIRTUAL COFFEE CHAT: FACULTY SERVICES TECH TALK - OVERUSE, UNDERUSE…OR JUST PLAIN USE OF TECHNOLOGY IN THE DELIVERY OF FACULTY SERVICES**

**Date:** Tuesday, April 2, 2024 (2pm - 2:45pm US/Central)
Join the ALL-SIS Faculty Services Committee for a discussion of technology in the delivery of faculty services! We will discuss a host of tech tools, including research, communications, organizational, and instructional technologies, and the manner in which our use of these technologies with our faculty patrons has and is changing.

(Click here to register.)

2024 NOCALL VIRTUAL SPRING INSTITUTE: CURRENT AWARENESS – THE STATE OF THE PROFESSION

Dates: Tuesday, April 16, 2024 (9:30am - 5:15pm US/Pacific)

Join the Northern California Association of Law Librarians (NOCALL) for their all-day virtual 2024 Spring Institute. Discover what keynote speaker David Lat (Co-founder of ‘Above the Law’ and Publisher of ‘Original Jurisdiction’) has to say about the legal profession as well as learn the latest on various topics and issues of current interest to the profession. This program is made possible by a grant from the AALL/Bloomberg Law Continuing Education Grants Program.

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