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AALL Recognizes Achievements in Law Librarianship, Contributions to the Legal Information Profession

CHICAGO – May 13, 2020 –The [American Association of Law Libraries](http://www.aallnet.org) (AALL) today announces the final winners of its 2020 awards, including the Emerging Leader Award, Minority Leadership Development Award, Public Access to Government Information Award, Robert L. Oakley Advocacy Award, New Product Award and Volunteer Service Award.

The Emerging Leader Award recognizes newer members who have already made significant contributions to the Association and/or to the profession, and have demonstrated the potential for leadership and continuing service.

This year's winners of the Emerging Leader Award are:

- Lindsey Ann Carpino, Legal Content Services Supervisor for BakerHostetler in Chicago, Illinois.
- Benjamin J. Keele, Research & Instructional Services Librarian at The Indiana University McKinney School of Law Ruth Lilly Law Library in Indianapolis, Indiana.
- Sara V. Pic, Head of Public Services at the Law Library of Louisiana in New Orleans, Louisiana.

The Minority Leadership Development Award was created in 2001 to nurture future leaders by introducing minority law librarians to leadership opportunities within AALL. This award consists of multiple benefits, including an experienced AALL leader serving as the recipient's mentor for at least one year and the opportunity for the recipient to serve on an AALL committee during the year following the award.

This year's winner of the Minority Leadership Development Award is Heather Hummons, head of access services/adjunct faculty at The DePaul University College Law Rin Law Library in Chicago, Illinois.

Established in 1998, the Public Access to Government Information Award recognizes individuals or organizations that have made significant contributions to protect and promote greater access to government information, thereby increasing the public's knowledge about the workings of government.

This year's winners of the Public Access to Government Information Award are from Georgetown University Law Library in Washington, DC. The winners are Jeremy J. McCabe, research services librarian, and Leah Prescott, associate law librarian for digital initiatives and special collections.

Established in 2008, the Robert L. Oakley Advocacy Award is given to recognize an AALL member or group who has been an outstanding advocate and has contributed significantly to the AALL policy agenda at the federal, state, local, or international level. The award honors the memory of Robert L. Oakley, AALL's Washington affairs representative (1989-2007).

This year's winner of the Robert L. Oakley Advocacy Award is Scott G. Burgh, retired chief law librarian at the City of Chicago Law Department in Chicago, Illinois.

AALL's New Product Award honors new commercial information products that enhance or improve existing law library services or procedures—or products that improve access to legal information, the legal research process, or procedures for the technical processing of library materials.

This year's winner of the New Product Award is LexisNexis in New York, New York for the LexisNexis Digital Library.

Established in 2009, the Volunteer Service Award honors members who have made a significant contribution to the Association's work. The first award was presented at the 2010 AALL Annual Meeting & Conference in Denver, Colorado.

This year's winner of the Volunteer Service Award is Nicole P. Dyszlewski, head of reference, instruction & engagement at Roger Williams University School of Law Library in Bristol, Rhode Island.

“AALL is proud to be represented by so many outstanding individuals and organizations who continue to represent the best of what the Association has to offer,” said AALL President Michelle Cosby. “These individuals have made significant contributions to the legal information profession, supported the Association's policy agenda, acted as leaders in their field and for fellow AALL members, and demonstrated unfaltering commitment to the Association as a whole. Congratulations to each of this year's winners for this well-deserved recognition.”

For more information about the AALL Awards Program, please visit bit.ly/AALL-awards.

About AALL

The American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) is the only national association dedicated to the legal information profession and its professionals. Founded in 1906 on the belief that people—lawyers, judges, students, and the public—need timely access to relevant legal information to make sound legal arguments and wise legal decisions, its more than 4,000 members are problem solvers of the highest order. AALL fosters the profession by offering its members knowledge, leadership, and community that make the whole legal system stronger. For more information, visit www.aallnet.org.