MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD / VOTE FOR AALL'S 2021 EXECUTIVE BOARD BY OCTOBER 31

Online voting for the 2021 AALL vice president/president-elect and Executive Board members is open and runs through 11:59 p.m. (EDT) on Saturday, October 31.

Members of the AALL Executive Board ensure that decisions made are consistent with AALL’s mission, vision, and strategic plan while continuing to increase the value proposition of the Association. It's important to make an educated decision. We encourage you to learn more about the candidates by listening to the Candidates Forum recordings for Vice President/President-Elect and Executive Board members, and reading their biographies and statements, as well as the Q&As with the candidates featured in the July/August issue of AALL Spectrum.

Vote today and help shape the future of AALL.

SUBMIT A PROGRAM PROPOSAL FOR THE 2021 AALL ANNUAL MEETING & CONFERENCE

DEADLINE / MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30

AALL seeks your expertise and encourages you to submit a program or workshop proposal for the 2021 AALL Annual Meeting & Conference. As of right now, AALL 2021 is scheduled to take place as planned. Any changes will be shared with you promptly. The call for proposals includes a question about whether presenters will be available to deliver the program in person, virtually, or both.

Check out the quick guide for getting started, explore additional resources for program proposers (including the must-have program topics identified by AALL members), and use the online Program and Workshop Proposal Collection site to develop your proposal. AALL remains committed to ensuring a dynamic and diverse lineup of programs designed to meet your needs. We look forward to seeing your proposals.
AALL SPECTRUM SURVEY / JOB SEARCHING DURING THE PANDEMIC

The AALL Spectrum Editorial Board is seeking information about the job search/hiring process since the start of the pandemic. Have you interviewed for a new position or hired to fill an open position? Please take a few minutes to respond to this short survey. Data will be used to inform the January/February 2021 "Trending" column in AALL Spectrum. The survey will close on Monday, November 2, 2020.

BEGIN SURVEY

UPCOMING WEBINARS & COFFEE CHATS / REGISTER NOW

AALL WEBINAR: TRADITIONAL LAW IN A MODERN WORLD: RESEARCHING INDIGENOUS PEOPLES’ LAW

- Thursday, October 29, 2020 / 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (CDT)
- Register by Monday, October 26, 2020
- Members - Free / Nonmembers - $60

As indigenous activists re-assert their legal rights, effectively researching indigenous legal issues has become an increasingly important skill. Businesses and attorneys that fail to understand and respect indigenous legal rights face an exponential wave of legal activism by indigenous communities, from the Pacific Islanders who successfully challenged the license of a hotel that violated their indigenous fishing rights, to the Mixe and other Mexican communities asserting their rights against fashion companies that appropriate their traditional designs, to the Standing Rock Sioux's fight against the Dakota Access Pipeline. This webinar will provide participants with the necessary resources and skills to research the laws and legal rights of indigenous peoples worldwide. This will benefit librarians whose firms are involved in litigation or transactional work involving indigenous peoples, government librarians whose courts and agencies are increasingly involved in lawsuits brought by indigenous groups and peoples asserting their legal rights, and academic librarians who are training students and faculty, and hosting courses and clinics involving foreign and international law, American Indian law, or both. This webinar will be moderated by Caitlin Hunter, reference librarian at UCLA Law Library. Speakers include Chris Dykes, head of public services at the University of Houston’s O’Quinn Law Library, Victoria Szymczak, associate professor and director of the Law Library at the William S. Richardson School of Law at the University of Hawaii at Manoa, Dr. Jolande Goldberg, senior law classification specialist at the Library of Congress, and Kurt Meyer, assistant director of Global Content Development & Preservation at LLMC Digital.

AALL VIRTUAL COFFEE CHAT: NEW WAYS WE'RE USING TECH

- Monday, November 2, 2020 / 3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. (CST)
- Register by Friday, October 30, 2020
- Members only; space is limited
It's no surprise that technology is ubiquitous in our daily work, but this year, many of us are using it in surprising ways. Sure, everybody's Zooming now, but are you also using existing technology differently, or using new tech that you hadn't considered a year ago? Or perhaps you're looking for a tech solution to an entirely new challenge. Join us for an informal conversation, co-moderated by Jennifer Wondracek, University of North Texas - Dallas, and Michael J. Robak, University of St. Thomas.

AALL LEXIS+ PARTNER WEBINAR: BE AT THE FOREFRONT OF THE NEW ERA IN LEGAL RESEARCH—AN IN-DEPTH LOOK AT LEXIS+™

- Thursday, November 3, 2020 / 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. (CST)
- Register by Friday, October 30, 2020
- Members - Free / Nonmembers - $60

Get ready for an amazing new research experience that sets a precedent in design, simplicity, integration, search, navigation, and results. This webinar will explore new and unique tools such as integrated Practical Guidance, Search Tree, Missed and Must Include, Shepard's® At Risk, Code Compare, the new Brief Analysis tool, plus expansion of popular features such as search term maps, and much more. Join us and experience Lexis+ from a librarian perspective. Speakers include Carolyn Bach, senior manager, faculty and knowledge & research program for LexisNexis and Gayle Lynn-Nelson, senior knowledge & research consultant for LexisNexis.

AALL TRELLIS PARTNER WEBINAR: HOW STATE TRIAL COURT RESEARCH & ANALYTICS WILL SAVE YOUR FIRM TIME AND BRING IN MORE MONEY

- Wednesday, November 4, 2020 / 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. (CST)
- Register by Friday, October 30, 2020
- Members - Free / Nonmembers - $60

This engaging webinar will cover how artificial intelligence (AI)-driven litigation analytics enables you to analyze the behavior and history of your judge, competitive counsel, prospects, and clients to gain crucial insights into litigation history and ruling tendencies. Discover how state court legal teams are using AI for judicial analytics and legal research. This webinar will also highlight how to access and leverage state trial court dockets, tentative rulings, and filed case documents to gain insights into your judges, your competitors, and your cases. You'll learn why you need litigation analytics to get ahead to be more efficient, more proactive, and achieve better results for your clients. The speaker for this webinar will be Nicole Clark, CEO and co-founder of Trellis Research.

AALL VIRTUAL COFFEE CHAT: TIPS & TOOLS FOR GETTING PUBLISHED
Writing can be a compelling way to showcase your knowledge on a particular topic and grow your professional resume. *AALL Spectrum*, the official bimonthly magazine of AALL, is a great platform for those looking to break into professional writing. This informal chat is an opportunity to ask questions, share best practices, discuss emerging topics, and get publishing tips from your peers. Join us for this conversation, co-moderated by Steven A. Lastres, Debevoise & Plimpton LLP (current editor of *AALL Spectrum*), and AALL Spectrum Editorial Board members Cynthia Brown, Littler Mendelson, P.C., and Marcelo Rodriguez, U.S Courts for the Second Circuit.

**AALL CONNECTION / REGISTER NOW**

To stay informed on what the Association is working on to help you in your professional growth and what decisions were made during the virtual Fall Board meeting (November 6 and 7, 2020), please register for the next AALL Connection.

- **Date:** Monday, November 16, 2020
- **Time:** 12:00 p.m. - 12:45 p.m. (CST)
- **Register by Thursday, November 11, 2020**

This session will be recorded and made available to members on AALLNET.

We encourage you to submit questions ahead of time to leadership@aall.org. You will also have the opportunity to submit questions via live chat, if time permits.

**AALL/BLOOMBERG LAW CONTINUING EDUCATION GRANT**

Does your chapter, special interest section, committee, or caucus have an educational event that needs funding? If so, consider applying for an AALL/Bloomberg Law Continuing Education Grant. Grant requests are accepted at various times throughout the year. The next deadline for grant applications is Friday, October 30.

**APPLY FOR AN AALL LEXISNEXIS RESEARCH GRANT BY DECEMBER 1**

The AALL LexisNexis Research Grant Jury is accepting applications through December 1 for grants from the AALL Research Fund (An Endowment Established by LexisNexis). The jury may allocate $5,000 between one or more applicants seeking funding for research that advances AALL’s Research Agenda, which seeks to stimulate "a diverse range of scholarship related to and supportive of the profession of law librarianship."

Established in July 2000, the grant funds research projects that create, disseminate, or use legal and library-related information. For inspiration, review the list of topics awarded grants in past years and explore the 16 broad research topics outlined in AALL’s Research Agenda.

If you have a research project that may benefit from this grant, review the complete guidelines...
and apply. As the guidelines state, the research should be completed within one year and the final product published. Grants will be awarded and announced by the end of December.

**SPOTLIGHT ON AALL2GO**

AALL2go provides members with complimentary access to Annual Meeting recordings, CPE Grant recipient recordings, and webinar recordings including AALL candidates forum presentations. Below are some recent recordings you may have missed:

- Discovering What's New in HeinOnline: Utilizing the Latest Databases & Tools to Maximize Your Legal Research Experience (Hein Partner Webinar)
- A Year of Uncertainty: Reaction, Response & Looking Ahead (Bloomberg Law Partner Webinar)
- Intro to Data Science for Law Librarians

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

- The Computing Services Special Interest Section (CS-SIS) has changed their name to Legal Innovation and Technology Special Interest Section (LIT-SIS). The CS-SIS has updated their bylaws to reflect this change and their bylaws were approved by the AALL Bylaws & Resolutions Committee. AALL is working with the LIT-SIS to update their webpages.

AALL seeks more news and announcements from chapters and special interest sections that may be of interest to all members. Please send your news to Heather Haemker, AALL director of marketing & communications.

**COMMUNITY WEBINAR / REGISTER NOW**

LIVE INTERVIEW SERIES: SO YOU WANNA PROPOSE AN AALL ANNUAL MEETING PROGRAM? / LAST DAY TO REGISTER

- Wednesday, October 21, 2020 / 12:00 p.m. - 12:45 p.m. (CDT)
- Register by today (Monday, October 19, 2020)
- Open to all AALL members

For librarians and other legal information professionals, presenting at conferences is a big deal. Presenting is a great way to establish a professional reputation. It introduces you to other people with similar professional interests. So, when the Annual Meeting Program Committee sends out their annual call for proposals, it represents a significant opportunity for many of us. But, what makes a good program proposal? What is the committee looking for in a proposal? How are programs picked? In this So You Wanna...? interview, we hope to answer these questions and more by talking to the source--two former chairs of the Annual Meeting Program Committee (AMPC) Carol Watson, June Liebert, and current AMPC member Janeen Williams. This series is brought to you by the Professional Engagement, Growth & Advancement SIS and the AALL Continuing Professional Education Committee. Patrick Parsons, coordinator of reference and instruction services at Georgia State University College of Law Library will serve as moderator.

**SHARE YOUR STORIES WITH AALL**

AALL is looking for positive stories of how members are helping their communities during the
Black Lives Matter movement. If you have a story to share or have received any feel-good responses or feedback, please email Heather Haemker, AALL director of marketing & communications, and tell us about it. Your story may appear in a future Weekly eNewsletter.

If you have any stories to share, please send them to me by 1:00 p.m. CDT on Friday, October 23, 2020.

Copyright © 2020 by American Association of Law Libraries. All Rights Reserved.