AALL Weekly eNews

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LAST WEEK TO VOTE FOR AALL'S 2021 EXECUTIVE BOARD / MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD

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

PROPOSE A PROGRAM FOR THE 2021 AALL ANNUAL MEETING & CONFERENCE

DUE MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30

AALL is seeking your expertise—submit a program or workshop proposal for the 2021 AALL Annual Meeting & Conference. We are aware that there are still many uncertainties for 2021, but rest assured that we are on top of things and in continuous contact with the Huntington Convention Center of Cleveland. AALL 2021 is currently scheduled to take place in-person meeting—if anything changes we will let you know. The call for proposals includes a question about whether presenters will be available to deliver the program in person, virtually, or both.

Please go through 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

Survey Closes Next Monday

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 someone to fill an open position? Please take a few minutes to respond to this short survey. Data will be used to create the January/February 2021 "Trending" column in AALL Spectrum. The survey will close on Monday, November 2, 2020.

BEGIN SURVEY

Help Improve AALL’s Salary Survey / Responses Due Nov. 3

The AALL Economic Status of Law Librarians Committee (ESLL Committee) is responsible for updating the AALL Salary Survey. They prepared this questionnaire for all members in order to gather feedback about the publication. The questionnaire should take about 15 minutes to complete. Please submit your response by Tuesday, November 3, 2020, at 11:59 p.m. Central.

BEGIN SURVEY

Upcoming Webinars & Coffee Chats / Register Now

AALL Webinar: Traditional Law in a Modern World: Researching Indigenous Peoples’ Law / Last Day to Register

- Thursday, October 29, 2020 / 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (CDT)
- Register by today (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 / REGISTER BY THIS FRIDAY

- Monday, November 2, 2020 / 3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. (CST)
- Register by this 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+™ / REGISTER BY NEXT TUESDAY

- Tuesday, November 3, 2020 / 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. (CST)
- Register by Monday, November 2, 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 / REGISTER BY NEXT TUESDAY

- Wednesday, November 4, 2020 / 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m (CST)
- Register by Monday, November 2, 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 THOMSON REUTERS PARTNER WEBINAR: IDENTIFYING LEGAL NEWS YOU CAN USE

- Tuesday, November 10, 2020 / 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. (CST)
- Register by Friday, November 6, 2020
- Members - Free / Nonmembers - $60

When it comes to legal news, it’s about knowing what happened - and why that matters for the practice of law. The right legal news and analysis should be timely, comprehensive, and trustworthy. Thomson Reuters recently launched Westlaw Today, powered by Reuters which checks all the boxes. Get a tour of Westlaw Today and discover how the right legal news service can enhance your practice. Speakers include Rebecca Ditsch, manager, product development at Thomson Reuters and Zena Applebaum, director of market insights & proposition strategy for Thomson Reuters.

AALL VIRTUAL COFFEE CHAT: TIPS & TOOLS FOR GETTING PUBLISHED

- Tuesday, November 17, 2020 / 3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. (CST)
- Register by Monday, November 16, 2020
- Members only; space is limited

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 WEBINAR: 30 GOOGLE APPS TIPS IN 60 MINUTES
You can use Google Apps at work and home to simplify all kinds of routine jobs. Need a cleaner email box? Try filters. Want to create a document with several authors without losing previous work? Version history in Google Docs can be a lifesaver. Once you use Google Forms for surveys, invites, and quizzes, you'll find more and more uses. We understand that some organizations may limit access to Google Apps, but you can still use these features in your home to help streamline daily tasks. The moderator for this session will be Mandy Lee, research & instructional services librarian at the Institute of Technology Chicago-Kent College of Law. Speakers include Debbie Ginsberg, educational technology librarian at the Illinois Institute of Technology Chicago-Kent College of Law and Emily Barney, technology training & marketing librarian at the Illinois Institute of Technology Chicago-Kent College of Law.

AALL/BLOOMBERG LAW CONTINUING EDUCATION GRANT / APPLICATIONS DUE THIS FRIDAY

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 deadline for grant applications is this Friday, October 30.

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.

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.

THE LATEST NEW VOICES / INVITATION TO SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS

Get fresh and unique perspectives on law librarianship with these New Voices posts from Sarah Slider, Autumn Collier, Nicholas Mignanelli, and Ana Ramirez Toft-Nielsen.

About AALL New Voices: AALL welcomes all members to share their insights on any aspect of the legal information profession. If you would like to participate, please send your submission of about 100-600 words to Megan Mall, AALL’s director of content strategy. Please include "AALL New Voices" in the subject line.

MEMBER NEWS

Ryan Greenwood was selected as the AALL Diversity & Inclusion Committee’s October Librarian of the Month.

AALL seeks more news about members’ achievements, job changes, and connections with the legal information community. Please send your news to Heather Haemker, AALL director of marketing & communications.

AALLNET MONTHLY MEMBER PROFILE

In this month’s member profile, Alisa Holahan, reference librarian at the Tarlton Law Library and Jamail Center for Legal Research at the University of Texas School of Law in Austin, Texas, discusses how AALL has helped her connect with other law librarians.

See more AALLNET Monthly Member Profiles and view AALL Spectrum Member and Leader Profiles on AALLNET.

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 30, 2020.