FEATURED NEWS

AALL RELEASES 2021 STATE OF THE PROFESSION REPORT / ORDER YOUR COPY

AALL released the second edition of the 2021 AALL State of the Profession report, which provides a data-rich overview of law libraries and the legal information profession. It is designed to be used as a tool for organizational benchmarking, advocacy, and strategic planning—as well as your own personal professional development. Topics include the impact of COVID-19, diversity, budgets, user services, operations, collections, preservation, partnerships, technology, and an inventory of skills, expertise, professional planning, and job satisfaction.

AALL President Emily R. Florio, along with members Diana Koppang and Chris Laut III discussed some of the interesting findings from the report in an exclusive interview with ALM. The release of the report was also covered in member Jean O'Grady's Dewey B Strategic blog, Bob Ambrogi's LawSites blog, and on InfoDocket. The Association released a press release about the report on Tuesday, June 22. The complimentary AALL State of the Profession 2021 Executive Summary provides an introduction to the full report.

The report is 280 pages and includes full-color graphics and data tables, and is available in digital, print, and a digital + print bundle. Pricing starts at $149 for AALL members.

JOIN MORE THAN 1,150 OF YOUR COLLEAGUES FOR #AALL21 / JULY 19-23

The Virtual Conference website is now live—browse through comprehensive session and speaker details, check out the fun activities planned, and see the full list of current exhibitors. If you have already registered for the Conference, use your AALLNET member login details for the Virtual Conference website.

Tune in to more than 45 live and on-demand educational sessions covering timely topics that explore legal deserts in America, faculty learning communities, retaining employee enthusiasm and engagement while working remotely, readiness for sudden shifts in law firm libraries, and more. On-demand sessions will be released on Monday, July 12 to jump-start your conference education. New this year: Join the on-demand session presenters for live, scheduled video chat Q&As during the week of the Conference.

At only $99 for individual members, $49 for retired members, and complimentary for student and unemployed members—this is an affordable and accessible way to put your professional development first and equip yourself with innovative and practical ideas for your personal and professional growth.

REGISTER FOR TOMORROW'S AALL COFFEE CHAT: RETHINKING THE LIBRARY WORK MODEL POST-COVID / JUNE 29

"How to stay relevant" is a constant topic of conversation for libraries. Now, our community has an opportunity to adapt workplace policies for a post-COVID world. As libraries are
opening again, what policy changes are being discussed for employees? How is your traditional work model changing after the experience of working from home? Join us tomorrow, June 29 from 3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. (CDT) to hear what other libraries are doing.

Cost: Free and open to AALL members only; space is limited.

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QUICK LINKS

AALL Events Calendar | AALL Career Center | AALL News | AALL COVID-19 Resources | AALL Anti-Racism, Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

AALL UPDATES

RENEW YOUR 2021-2022 AALL MEMBERSHIP

Your AALL community continues to provide you with the support you need for ongoing success. Renew your 2021-2022 membership today to continue receiving members-only benefits including:

- access to an extensive network of peers, including multiple discussion groups on My Communities
- member discounts on valuable publications, including the 2021 State of the Profession report
- Virtual Coffee Chats (members-only, informal discussions) and monthly webinars on a range of topics
- access to essential professional development (discounted and free) on AALL’s eLearning platform
- and more great member benefits

JOIN A SPECIAL INTEREST SECTION

Connect with others who share your professional interests through AALL's 15 special interest sections (SISs). Joining an SIS provides you with the opportunity to participate in groups dedicated to specialized areas of law librarianship, maximizing your membership.

If you have any questions about your membership renewal, please contact AALL Headquarters at membership@aall.org or 312.205.8022.

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PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

AALL EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE (DIRECTORS-ONLY) / JULY 28-29

EARLY-BIRD DISCOUNT ENDS JULY 9

The AALL Executive Leadership Institute, to be held virtually July 28-29, will help you expand your skills and participate in open, dynamic, and strategic conversations on a wide range of topics. Join a network of directors to learn about inclusive leadership strategies and approaches to increase your leadership and soft skills.

TOPICS

- Leadership and Inclusive Communication
- From Unconscious Bias to Conscious Inclusion
- Collaboration and Leadership in Legal Information Services
- Leadership Across the Legal Spectrum
- Driving Change During Transitional Times
- Leadership Transitions and Looking Ahead to the Future
- Leading Well and Avoiding Burnout
COST: AALL Members: $349 / Nonmembers: $523 (Price increases $50 for members & $75 for nonmembers after July 9.)

Registration deadline is July 14, 2021.

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NEWER LAW LIBRARIANS - DON'T MISS CONELL / JULY 13-14

The Conference of Newer Law Librarians (CONELL), to be held Wednesday, July 14 from 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. (CDT), is AALL’s orientation to newer members, introducing them to AALL and facilitating networking with peers. Attendees will have the opportunity to hear from representatives of AALL and some of our special groups to learn firsthand how to get involved and maximize the benefits of membership. CONELL includes a happy hour on Tuesday, July 13 from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. (CDT).

Registration deadline is July 9, 2021.

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REGISTER FOR THE AALL AWARDS PRESENTATION / JULY 14

AALL Award winners have played an essential role in championing the Association and the legal information profession during the past year. Celebrate your colleagues for their contributions to law librarianship by attending the AALL Awards Presentation on Wednesday, July 14 from 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. (CDT), moderated by AALL President Emily R. Florio (2020-2021). The Marian Gould Gallagher Distinguished Service Award recipients will also be recognized during this presentation; and Cornell H. Winston, AALL Treasurer, will emcee the Gallagher portion of the program.

Open to all AALL members.

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AALL BUSINESS MEETING / JULY 23

The AALL Business Meeting & Members Open Forum will be held virtually Friday, July 23 from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. (CDT). This is open to all members, and separate registration is required. The passing of the gavel will also take place during the Business Meeting.

During the Members Open Forum, AALL Executive Board officers will be available to respond to member questions regarding AALL. In addition to asking questions via chat during the live event, members may also submit questions in advance of the meeting to ambusmtg@aall.org.

If you have questions, please contact AALL’s Headquarters Office at 312.939.4764 or email leadership@aall.org.

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UPCOMING COFFEE CHATS & WEBINARS

BUILDING AN EMOTIONALLY INTELLIGENT CULTURE: USING EQ TO FUEL YOUR SUCCESS / JUNE 30

Emotional intelligence is a set of emotional and social skills that collectively establish how well we perceive and express ourselves, develop and maintain relationships, cope with challenges, and use emotional information in an effective and meaningful way. Join
experts Wednesday, June 30 from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (CDT) for an interactive, eye-opening, and engaging session as they discuss the importance of emotional intelligence in the workplace and strategies to build valuable skills that drive long-term personal and professional success.

**Cost:** Members - Free / Nonmembers - $60

AALL COFFEE CHAT: TALES FROM THE PUBLIC SERVICES FRONT / JULY 12

When working in a public library, unusual encounters with patrons can happen at any time, often challenging law librarians to dig deep into their empathy wells—with the reward of an interesting story to tell. Now's your chance. Join us **Monday, July 12 from 3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. (CDT)** to share your own tales from the front, reflect on what worked or could have gone differently, and perhaps even learn from someone else’s kindred experience.

**Cost:** Free and open to AALL members only; space is limited

AALL COFFEE CHAT: MEET THE 2021 EXECUTIVE BOARD CANDIDATES / JULY 26

Come get to know the Executive Board candidates running for the AALL Executive Board during an informal chat on **Monday, July 26, from 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. (CDT).** This is a time for members to chat with candidates and ask questions. The chat will be moderated by Mary Jenkins, AALL Executive Board Secretary.

**Cost:** Free and open to AALL members only; space is limited.

COMMUNITY CORNER

MEMBER NEWS

- **AALL President Emily R. Florio** and **AALL Vice President Diane Rodriguez** were guests on the *Geek in Review podcast*—where they spoke about the upcoming **2021 AALL Virtual Conference** and discussed how AALL has adjusted during the pandemic to provide relevant services to members and engage with legal information vendors in new ways.

- **Dennis Kim-Prieto**, Reference Librarian at Rutgers University Law School Library was named to the **National Conference of Bar Examiners’ Content Scope Committee**. Committee members will assist in developing test content specifications to delineate the scope of coverage of the Foundational Concepts and Principles (FC&P) and the Foundational Skills that will be measured on the next generation of the bar exam.

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.

**PROJECT 20/20: FROM TRANSITION TO TRANSFORMATION / JUNE 30**

Since October, the Project 20/20 Series has had over 1,200 engagements with librarians from across the country. Each month has offered one program, one workshop, and one social networking event. Join us **this Wednesday, June 30 from 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. (CDT)** for this final month of the series, which concludes on another high note with a closing conversation with **Ashley C. Ford**. A respected voice on topics ranging from
popular culture and race to imposter syndrome and healthy boundaries, Ford uses personal experiences to impart lessons about navigating upheaval through the transformative power of imagination, and living an unapologetically bold, joyful, and authentic life.

Open to all AALL members.

2021 PLLIP VIRTUAL SUMMIT / JULY 16

The 2021 PLLIP Virtual Summit, *Hindsight is 2021: Responding to Chaos and Change* will be held **Friday July 16, from 10:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. (CDT)**, followed by a happy hour. The Summit will offer attendees an opportunity to learn how to deal with change; additional information will be forthcoming. If you have any general questions regarding the Summit, please contact cbrown@littler.com.

**Cost:** $25 for AALL members/nonmembers; $25 for retired; $0 for students and unemployed

**Registration deadline is Friday, July 2, 2021.**

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