CALL FOR SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTS: AALL SELF-PACED COURSE ON STRATEGIC THINKING

AALL is excited to begin work on its second self-paced course that will focus on strategic thinking and decision making. To ensure that the new course reflects the needs of our members, we are seeking your expertise to serve as a subject matter expert (SME).

SME PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS

- Professional experience in a law firm, court, or law school library
- Background and experience including, but not limited to, being involved in or responsible for making decisions that have a strategic impact for your organization; balancing risks and uncertainty in decision making; long-term strategic planning; directing organizational change; critical thinking; analyzing factors; and metrics

If you are interested in serving as a SME for this self-paced course, please complete the form. You may also recommend a colleague. If you have any questions, please contact Celeste Smith, AALL’s director of education. Applications will be accepted through next Monday, June 21 and any interviews will be conducted via conference call in late June.

If you are unable to participate fully as a SME, but would like to contribute ideas, content, or examples to the development of this course, please email elearning@aall.org.

APPLY NOW

AALL EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE (FOR DIRECTORS) / 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.

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

AALL UPDATES

2021 AALL STATE OF THE PROFESSION / PRE-ORDER YOUR COPY TODAY

The second edition of the AALL State of the Profession will be released on June 22 and is available for pre-order on AALLNET. The AALL State of the Profession report provides an overview of the landscape in law libraries and in the legal information profession. It is intended to be used as a tool for organizational benchmarking, advocacy, strategic planning—as well as personal professional development. Topics include the impact of COVID-19, diversity, budgets, user services, operations, collections, preservation, partnerships, technology, and an inventory of skills and expertise. This publication is available in digital, print, and a digital + print bundle.

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 State of the Profession 2021 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 new 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.

PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

REGISTER FOR AALL 2021: LEADING WITH WISDOM & INSIGHT / JULY 19-23
More than 950 of your colleagues have already registered for AALL’s second Virtual Conference. Take advantage of the engaging educational programs, exhibitor connections, and fun interactive elements of this Virtual Conference, all from the comfort of your home or office. Tune in to 45 live and on-demand educational sessions covering timely topics, such as leading an ILS migration, understanding tribal law, updates to The Bluebook, working from home without being remote, 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. Review the schedule of programs on AALLNET.

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.

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VIRTUAL BUSINESS MEETING & MEMBERS OPEN FORUM / SUBMIT RESOLUTIONS BY JUNE 25

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, whether or not you register for the Virtual Conference. Any member may submit a resolution for consideration by the membership at the Business Meeting. The deadline to submit a resolution is next Friday, June 25. Please be sure to follow the resolution submission guidelines. 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.

LEARN MORE & REGISTER

REGISTER FOR CONELL - FREE FOR AALL MEMBERS / 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.
CELEBRATE YOUR COLLEAGUES - 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. Come celebrate your colleagues for their contributions to law librarianship and to the legal Information profession 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 be emceeing the Gallagher portion of the program.

Open to all AALL members.

VIRTUAL CONFERENCE / SIS BUSINESS MEETINGS & EVENTS

Stay up to date on all of the upcoming special interest section (SIS) business meetings and events that are taking place before or after the AALL 2021 Virtual Conference. Many of them are open to all AALL members and may be viewed on the Annual Meeting webpage.

UPCOMING COFFEE CHATS & WEBINARS

CALL FOR COFFEE CHAT TOPICS & MODERATORS

AALL Virtual Coffee Chats are a great way to connect with colleagues in an informal setting on topics that matter to you and the work you do every day. What timely issues would you like to discuss with your colleagues? Who do you know that can lead a chat on a topic important to law librarians and legal information professionals? Please send your coffee chat ideas and moderator recommendations to Heidi Letzmann, education & programs manager.

REGISTER FOR THE LAW LIBRARY OF CONGRESS WEBINAR ON HISTORICAL LEGAL REPORTS / JUNE 22

Register for the June Law Library of Congress webinar “Historical Legal Reports from the Law Library of Congress,” Tuesday, June 22 from 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. (CDT). A major function of the Law Library of Congress is the preparation of reports on legal topics, with an emphasis on foreign, comparative, and international law, in response to requests from Congress, the executive and judicial branches of the federal government, and others. This webinar will discuss the process for inventorying, processing, and publishing these reports, as well as the recent launch of the Law Library’s second crowdsourcing campaign with By The People, entitled Historical Legal Reports from the Law Library of Congress.

Check out even more upcoming webinars from the Law Library of Congress.

Free and open to all AALL members.

THOMSON REUTERS PARTNER WEBINAR: LITIGATION ANALYTICS: HELPING LITIGATORS WIN / JUNE 24

We’ve all heard about analytics recently, but why are analytics essential to a legal practice? Analytics provide quantifiable data to support and supplement your experience in strategizing case decisions, managing client expectations, accelerating client service, and optimizing legal research. Join us Thursday, June 24 from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (CDT) to learn why Litigation Analytics on Westlaw Edge delivers the highest quality and comprehensive source material, as well
as the experienced editorial oversight you have come to rely on from Westlaw. The most recent enhancements will also be highlighted.

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

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**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 **Tuesday, 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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**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

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**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.

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**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.

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AALL NEW VOICES

AALL’s New Voices is a place to share your story and expertise. Whether you recently joined AALL or are a longtime member aiming to become more involved in the Association, AALL is looking for your insights on any aspect of law librarianship. This is a one-time commitment.

If you’re interested in being involved in the next round, please share your post with Megan Mall, director of content strategy, with the subject line “New Voices Project” by 5:00 p.m. CDT on July 6, 2021.

KNOWITALL HIGHLIGHTS

MEMBER POSTS

Members shared thoughtful and interesting content, including:

- Barbara Fritschel of the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals and Carol Hassler of the Wisconsin State Law Library wrote “Legal Research: Five Resources Every New Lawyer Should Know” for the State Bar of Wisconsin.
- Thomas Baer of Jenkins Law Library explored USAspending.gov.
- Jean O’Grady reviewed the new Contrary Authority feature from Thomson Reuters.
- David Whelan shared insights on employee engagement.
- Bonnie Shucha and Kris Turner of the University of Wisconsin discussed law faculty scholarly impact and visibility on the Wisconsin Law in Action podcast.

OTHER LEGAL & GOVERNMENT INFORMATION UPDATES

- Scientific American reported on the emerging field of neurorights.
- The Maryland Access to Justice Commission released an online interactive story map that combined all county data, statistics, and civil justice information in one place.
- The Software Preservation Network provided insights on software preservation in the wake of recent court rulings.
- Lex Machina released their 2021 Copyright and Trademark Litigation Report.

ABOUT KNOWITALL

KnowItAALL is a member benefit sent Monday through Friday. Subscriptions are available for nonmember individuals and institutions. Please email Megan Mall, director of content strategy, with your article and resource recommendations.

MEMBER NEWS

- Anna Russell was selected as the AALL Diversity & Inclusion Committee's May 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, Clare Spelick, a student at the University of Alabama’s School of Library and Information Studies, discusses why she’s an AALL member and why access to HeinOnline is her favorite member benefit.
MEMORIAL

Mary T. Rooney was an outstanding librarian all of her career, earning many acknowledgments from those she served, including library patrons, attorneys, and judges. Rooney started her long career at the New York Public Library, before moving to the New York County (Manhattan) District Attorney's Office in the last 1950s. Beginning in the early 1980s, she moved to the New York State court system before transitioning to the New York City Bronx Family Court. A longtime AALL member, she attended the AALL Annual Meeting every year through 2018. Truly a scholar, in her later years following retirement, she earned an advanced degree from Columbia University in environmental sciences. She passed away May 24, 2021 at the age of 94.

The AALL eNewsletter lists brief announcements of members' deaths. Traditional memorials should be submitted to Tom Gaylord, Law Library Journal editor.

COMMUNITY CORNER

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 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.

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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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