FEATURED NEWS

AALL EXECUTIVE BOARD ELECTION RESULTS

The 2021 AALL election for vice president/president-elect, treasurer, and Executive Board members closed on October 31. This year, 858 AALL members (25.38%) voted, and the results are below:

**VICE PRESIDENT/PRESIDENT-ELECT**
(JULY 2022-JULY 2023; SERVING ON THE BOARD UNTIL 2025)

**June Hsiao Liebert**  
Director of Information Services  
O’Melveny & Myers LLP  
Los Angeles, California

**TREASURER**  
(JULY 2022-JULY 2025)

**Miriam D. Childs**  
Director  
Law Library of Louisiana  
Louisiana Supreme Court  
New Orleans, Louisiana

**EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS**  
(JULY 2022-JULY 2025)

**Kristina J. Alayan**  
Associate Dean for Library and Technology  
Law School Associate Professor  
University of Maryland  
Thurgood Marshall Law Library  
Baltimore, Maryland

**Andre Davison**  
Research & Information Services Operations  
Implementation Manager  
Orrick LLP  
Houston, Texas

Congratulations and thank you to all the candidates who ran during this election.

REGISTER FOR THE AALL CONNECTION / NOVEMBER 17
The AALL Executive Board held their first Board meeting for the 2021-2022 leadership year last week in Chicago. During the meeting, the Board worked on the 2022-2025 Strategic Plan. To stay informed on action items the Board voted on during the Fall Board meeting, including the main ideas of the next AALL Strategic Plan, please register for the AALL Connection.

**Date:** Wednesday, November 17, 2021  
**Time:** 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (CST)

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

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.

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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**

**THE CALL FOR COMMITTEE & AWARD JURY VOLUNTEERS WILL OPEN NEXT WEEK**

The call to volunteer to serve on a committee or award jury will open next Monday, November 15, 2021. The call for Annual Meeting Program Committee (AMPC) volunteers is included in this call for volunteers as well. Volunteers are essential in bringing forth new ideas, helping to get work accomplished, and greatly increasing our impact as an Association.

**WHY VOLUNTEER?**

- Advance the legal information profession and AALL  
- Build on your leadership experience  
- Expand your professional network

Please consider volunteering to serve on an AALL committee or award jury and contribute to the legal information profession as well as to your Association.

**COMING IN NOVEMBER / THE RELEASE OF THE 2021 AALL SALARY SURVEY**

The 2021 AALL Salary Survey is scheduled to be released on November 22, 2021. The digital edition is free to all current AALL members. Members can purchase print copies, and nonmembers can buy print and digital editions, as well as the print + digital bundle. Details are available on AALLNET.

The Economic Status of Law Librarians Committee revised the 2021 edition to capture COVID-related compensation information and updated position descriptions. If you have any questions, please contact Heather Haemker, AALL’s director of marketing & communications.

**2022 AALL AWARDS NOMINATIONS OPENS DECEMBER 1**

The 2022 AALL Awards nominations will open next month on December 1 and will be open through March 1, 2022. The AALL Awards Program publicly recognizes the achievements of law librarians, institutions, companies, and partners for significant contributions and innovation in the legal information profession. Start thinking about who you would like to nominate now—it could even be yourself. Recipients are selected by committees/juries and will be recognized during the 2022 AALL Annual Meeting & Conference in Denver.
AALL’s New Voices gives you the opportunity 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.

Possible subjects include a legal interest of your choice, favorite resource, go-to stressbusters, starting a new role, leadership tips, and diversity, equity, and inclusion. Submissions should be about 100-600 words. Accepted posts will appear on Members Open Forum, in the monthly eNewsletter, and on AALL’s social media feeds (Twitter, Facebook, and LinkedIn). If you're interested in being involved in the next round, please share your post with Heather Haemker, director of marketing & communications, with the subject line “New Voices Project” by 5:00 p.m. (CDT) on November 12, 2021.

PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

PROPOSE A PROGRAM FOR THE 2022 AALL ANNUAL MEETING & CONFERENCE / DUE NOVEMBER 30

Contribute to and help advance the legal information profession while positioning yourself as a thought leader by submitting a program or workshop proposal for the 2022 AALL Annual Meeting & Conference—Advancing Justice for All—to be held July 16-19, 2022, in Denver, Colorado.

We are currently planning an engaging, in-person Conference in Denver, but proposers will be asked to indicate whether their program could be offered virtually as well. 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.

SUBMIT A PROPOSAL

MICROLEARNING VIDEO ON WINE LAW NOW AVAILABLE ON AALL eLEARNING

The Continuing Professional Education Committee has created a series of short videos on specific subjects of law. The most recent video includes a brief overview of wine law, including its origin, as well as the laws specific to wine, and the primary and secondary sources important to researching it.

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.

LEARN MORE & APPLY

UPCOMING COFFEE CHATS & WEBINARS
DON'T MISS TOMORROW'S JANE SÁNCHEZ MEMORIAL LECTURE ON THE FUTURE OF LAW LIBRARIES AND LAW LIBRARIANSHIP / NOVEMBER 9

The late Law Librarian of Congress and Deputy Librarian for Library Collections and Services Jane Sánchez worked to advance the Law Library of Congress by advocating for new initiatives that helped expand the Law Library of Congress’ ability to assist patrons across the world. Tomorrow from 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. (CST), AALL and the Law Library of Congress will cosponsor a webinar to honor Jane's legacy by examining the future of law libraries and law librarianship with a panel of experts that draw on their experience as leaders in academic, government, and law firm libraries.

The discussion will be moderated by Law Librarian of Congress Aslihan Bulut. Panelists include Emily R. Florio, AALL immediate past president and senior research services manager at Hogan Lovells; Kurt Carroll, chief of the Law Library of Congress Collections Services Division; David Mao, chief operating officer of the Georgetown University Law Center and the former law librarian of Congress, deputy librarian of Congress, and acting librarian of Congress; Jennifer McMahan, deputy director of the United States Department of Justice Law Library; and Kim Nayyer, Edward Cornell Law Librarian, associate dean for library services, professor of the practice at Cornell Law School and Cornell University Library, and president of the Canadian Association of Law Libraries (CALL).

Cost: Free and open to the public.

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THOMSON REUTERS PARTNER WEBINAR: A BETTER LEGAL NEWS EXPERIENCE: REUTERS LEGAL NEWS / NOVEMBER 16

Reuters Legal News (RLN), available now at no cost, offers award-winning business and market news alongside deep legal practice area content—and new opportunities for business development and client engagement. Join us Tuesday, November 16 from 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. (CST) to learn about RLN’s onboarding portal and personalization features, and how to introduce your patrons to a legal news experience with business, market, and legal content, all in one place.

Cost: Members - Free / Nonmembers - $60

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AALL VIRTUAL COFFEE CHAT: UNIVERSAL DESIGN PRINCIPLES IN YOUR WORKPLACE / NOVEMBER 17

The Principles of Universal Design are defined as “The design of products and environments to be useable by all people, to the greatest extent possible, without the need for adaptation or specialized design.” How are those principles applied in your library? Join us Wednesday, November 17 from 3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. (CST) to share your challenges, questions, and improvements during this informal conversation.

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

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LAW LIBRARIANS ARE TECH EXPERTS—WHETHER WE KNOW IT OR NOT / NOVEMBER 18

Law librarians are constantly adopting new technology skills and enhancing existing ones—but how often do they take stock of these skills? Join us Thursday, November 18 from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (CST) and learn how to use the skills law librarians already have to boost teaching and reference services. In addition, learn how to improve current
programs—from reference interviews to formal classroom instruction—and impress even the most tech-savvy administrator.

Cost: Members - Free / Nonmembers - $60

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AALL VIRTUAL COFFEE CHAT: UNPACKING THE U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT SURVEY QUESTIONS FOR LAW LIBRARIES / NOVEMBER 30

In November, U.S. News & World Report will roll out the survey questions for its 2023 Best Law School rankings. A task force (including liaisons from SALLD, NELLCO, AALS, and AALL) worked with U.S. News & World Report representatives to provide guidance and recommendations for the questions relating to law school libraries. How will the 2023 questions impact your library? Join Catherine Dunn, AALL’s liaison to the U.S. News Joint Task Force, and Todd Venie, who co-led the Data Testing & Education Working Group, on Tuesday, November 30 from 3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. (CST), to learn more about this year’s questions, the methodology of the rankings, and the recommendations of the Joint Task Force.

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

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AALL VIRTUAL COFFEE CHAT: LEARN MORE ABOUT VOLUNTEERING FOR AALL / DECEMBER 7

Interested in volunteering for an AALL committee or award jury? This informal conversation on Tuesday, December 7 from 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. (CST), moderated by President Diane Rodriguez and AALL President-Elect Elizabeth Adelman, is an opportunity for you to learn more about the volunteer process and how your contribution impacts AALL and the legal information profession. You are invited to submit questions in advance to leadership@aall.org.

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

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THE MOTH, AALL LEADERSHIP EDITION: UNLEASH THE POWER OF STORYTELLING / DECEMBER 15

This program will give a brief introduction to storytelling technique basics, and then have panelists share true stories as they remember them. Similar to The Moth podcast, anyone wishing to tell their story will need to pitch their idea, and the pitched stories need to relate to the theme of Leadership. Join us on Wednesday, December 15 from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (CST) to watch masterful storytelling in action, share in the collective wisdom around leadership, and hone the essential leadership skill of telling compelling, meaningful stories.

Cost: Members - Free / Nonmembers - $60

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THE WAYFINDERS AMONG US: FIRST-GEN PROFESSIONALS IN AALL / JANUARY 19
First-generation professionals are the first in their families to cross a threshold into a professional career. Many face socioeconomic issues not experienced by their colleagues and can face a sense of isolation and a steep learning curve with regard to professional norms. Join us on Wednesday, January 19 from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (CST) to hear from panelists who are first-gen professionals from academic, government, and law firm settings, who will discuss their triumphs and challenges, and provide insights into navigating their unique career paths. They will also discuss establishment of the First-Gen Professionals Caucus, which serves as a vehicle for professional development, mentorship, and coordination of recruitment efforts for first-gen law and library students.

Cost: Members - Free / Nonmembers - $60

**COMMUNITY CORNER**

**PEGA-SIS WEBINAR: LIVE INTERVIEW SERIES: SO, YOU WANNA APPLY FOR A PROMOTION? / NOVEMBER 19**

When moving up in law librarianship there are different processes for each library type, but there are also some common issues and questions involved when applying for a promotion. Join Eliza Boles on Friday, November 19 from 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. (CST) as she speaks with a panel of four about their experiences in getting promotions and assisting people in that same goal. They will discuss topics such as preparing for the promotion application process, how to “make the case” for a promotion, things to be aware of during the process, and considerations for internal applicants. Panelists include an HR subject matter expert and law librarians in academic, firm, and government institutions.

Open to all AALL members.

**PEGA-SIS WEBINAR: LIVE INTERVIEW SERIES: SO, YOU WANNA PRACTICE MINDFULNESS? / DECEMBER 8**

With so much going on in the world, many of us are feeling burned out and exhausted. Can mindfulness be a tool to help us re-center? How is mindfulness different from meditation? Join Savanna Nolan on Wednesday, December 8 from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (CST) as she discusses these questions with Mindfulness Caucus member and certified Koru Mindfulness teacher Heather Simmons. What is a mindfulness practice and how is it different from meditation? What steps can we take today to live more mindfully?

Open to all AALL members.

**SHARE YOUR POSITIVE STORIES WITH AALL**

AALL is looking for positive stories of how members are helping their communities and each other. Stories may be related to mentorship, workplace camaraderie, AALL friendships, changes at your law library, COVID-19, diversity, and inclusion, etc. 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 by 1:00 p.m. (CST) on Friday, November 12, 2021.**

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