NOMINATE YOURSELF OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW AS A CANDIDATE FOR THE AALL EXECUTIVE BOARD / APPLY BY FEBRUARY 11

The AALL Nominations Committee is seeking candidates for the upcoming 2022 Executive Board election. The AALL Executive Board establishes the Association's mission, vision, and strategic plan, while ensuring the long-term financial stability and strength of the Association.

To nominate yourself or an AALL colleague, access the nomination form on AALLNET. Nominations are due Friday, February 11, 2022, by 11:59 p.m. (EST).

Do you have questions about the nominations process? Register for the "AALL Virtual Coffee Chat: The AALL Executive Board Candidate Nominations Process," on Tuesday, February 8 from 3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. (CST).

NEW! STRATEGIC THINKING COURSE FOR LAW LIBRARIANS

AALL’s new self-paced course, "Strategic Thinking for Law Librarians," is available on AALL's eLearning platform. This 60-minute course will teach law library professionals—at any level—how to employ strategic thinking for impactful decision-making.

This course will introduce the concepts of strategic thinking and how to leverage them, regardless of the situation, for superior results and successful outcomes.

$99 for members and $149 for nonmembers.

LEARN MORE & REGISTER
NOMINATE YOURSELF OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW FOR A 2022 AALL AWARD / DEADLINE IS MARCH 1

The purpose of the AALL Awards program is to recognize the achievements of law librarians, institutions, and partners for significant contributions and innovation in the legal information profession. Recipients are selected by the committees/award juries and will be recognized during the 2022 AALL Annual Meeting & Conference in Denver.

The deadline to nominate a colleague or company, or to self-nominate, is March 1, 2022. Nominations information and applications may be found on the individual award pages.

SHARE YOUR INPUT / LAW LIBRARY JOURNAL READERSHIP SURVEY RESPONSES DUE NEXT MONDAY

The Law Library Journal Editorial Board is seeking feedback on Law Library Journal content. The data provided will be used to inform future volumes of the Journal. Please complete this short survey by Monday, January 24, 2022. All responses will be kept confidential.

If you have questions, please reach out to Heather Haemker, AALL’s director of marketing & communications, for assistance.

ADVOCACY

2022 AALL CHAPTER ADVOCACY TRAINING / JANUARY 27

Many AALL chapters are faced with local issues that are important to their members. Chapters are well-positioned to advocate for law libraries and the legal information profession, including to support government law library funding and the enactment of the Uniform Electronic Legal Material Act. Join us next Thursday, January 27 from 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. (CST) to learn a variety of advocacy strategies and resources that chapters can employ to ensure greater access to legal information and to promote continuous improvement in access to justice. Whether you are interested in starting a new advocacy program in your chapter or growing an existing program, you will come away with practical guidance and tools to support your chapter’s advocacy efforts.

Cost: Free and open to AALL members and nonmembers

PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

2022 AALL LEADERSHIP ACADEMY PARTICIPANTS SELECTED

The AALL Leadership Academy is designed to equip participants with essential leadership skills, strategies to handle leadership challenges, and tools to become an effective leader. Participants for the 2022 Leadership Academy have been selected and will attend the leadership academy, March 31 and April 1, 2022, in Chicago. Those selected include:

- Maya Bergamasco
- Cheryl Booth
- Meredith Capps
- Deanna Carr
- Brandy Ellis
- Annalee Pierson
- Margaret Purdy
- Julie Randolph
- Ellen Reece
- Katie Siler
Congratulations to the 2022 AALL Leadership Academy participants and thank you to everyone who applied.

PARTICIPATE IN AALL’S MENTOR PROGRAM

Become an AALL mentor or mentee.

WHY MENTOR?

- Encourage individual growth and development
- Provide leadership and share your wisdom
- Use as a tool for succession planning
- Provide for leadership continuity
- Gain a sense of renewed purpose and/or approach to problem-solving

WHY BE A MENTEE?

- Get advice based on real-world experiences
- Gain career assistance and professional recommendations
- Create a lasting professional relationship
- Gain a new approach to problem-solving
- Connect with a confidant on workplace concerns

Members from any library type are encouraged to sign-up to become mentors and mentees, but we are especially in need of mentors from academic and law firm settings.

LEARN MORE

UPCOMING COFFEE CHATS & WEBINARS

AALL VIRTUAL COFFEE CHAT: SUPPORTING FEDERAL JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS / JANUARY 25

Law librarians can provide vital skills, tools, and strategies to both those seeking a federal clerkship position and those currently serving in a clerkship. The application process for these coveted positions can be opaque, and students need to be prepared with both practical and personal skills. Join us Tuesday, January 25 from 3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. (CST) to learn and share ideas to better support the federal judicial clerkship process.

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

LEARN MORE & REGISTER

AALL VIRTUAL COFFEE CHAT: THE AALL EXECUTIVE BOARD CANDIDATE NOMINATIONS PROCESS / FEBRUARY 8
Do you know a fellow AALL member who would make an outstanding candidate for the upcoming 2022 Executive Board election? Or perhaps you are considering throwing your own hat into the ring. Join us Tuesday, February 8 from 3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. (CST) to learn more about the nominations process.

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

**GRANT FUNDING FOR LAW LIBRARIES / FEBRUARY 15**

This program will provide tips and tools for how to identify, apply for, and win grants to support your organization. Join us on Tuesday, February 15 from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (CST) to hear inspiring success stories from law librarians and legal information professionals who have received grant funding and gain insight about how to get the funding you need. You will also learn how to find potential grant opportunities at the federal, state, and local levels.

Cost: Members - Free / Nonmembers - $60

**GRANTS & SCHOLARSHIPS**

**APPLY FOR A LEXISNEXIS RESEARCH GRANT BY MAY 1**

The AALL LexisNexis Research Grant Jury is accepting applications through May 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."

If you have a research project that may benefit from this grant, review the complete guidelines and apply. Grants will be awarded and announced by the end of May.

**APPLY FOR AN AALL SCHOLARSHIP AND/OR SHARE WITH A FRIEND OR COLLEAGUE**

AALL is committed to providing opportunities for your professional growth. Each year, the Association awards thousands of dollars in scholarships to law school and library school students as well as to AALL members. The available scholarships are listed on A ALLNET.

The deadline for applications is April 1, 2022. For additional questions, please contact AALL at scholarships@aall.org.

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**AALL NEW VOICES / SUBMISSIONS DUE JANUARY 28**
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.

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. (CST) on January 28, 2022.

KNOWITAALL HIGHLIGHTS

MEMBER POSTS

Members shared innovative content and started important conversations, including:

- AALL President Diane M. Rodriguez highlighted the resources, outreach programs, and partnerships librarians have created to engage the public to help bridge the access to justice gap.
- Zanada Joyner discussed setting goals in 2022 and taking good advice from others.
- Andrea Gass discussed how the law library can help you shine for on campus and virtual interviews.
- Elizabeth Noel Manriquez reflected on the impact the pandemic has had on our lives and stressed the importance of developing resilience in order to adapt to our circumstances.

OTHER LEGAL & GOVERNMENT INFORMATION UPDATES

- The Chicago Tribune interviewed the 14th Librarian of Congress Carla Hayden.
- The Scholarly Kitchen imagined what the New Model Library might look like.
- The CRIV Blog reviewed the new tool Review-it, which won AALL's 2021 Innovation Showcase.
- Every Library reflected on the vital role of law libraries.
- SSRN compared and contrasted the submission process between scholarly law journals and biomedical journals.

ABOUT KNOWITAALL

KnowItAALL is a member benefit sent Monday through Friday. Subscriptions are available for nonmember individuals and institutions. Please email Heather Haemker, director of marketing & communications, with your article and resource recommendations.

AALLNET MONTHLY MEMBER PROFILE

In this month's member profile, Jennifer Waite, research services manager at Arnall Golden Gregory LLP in Atlanta, Georgia, discusses why she joined AALL and shares her favorite AALL memory.

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

MEMBER NEWS

- Paul Birch, computer services librarian at the University of Richmond Law Library, is retiring after 32 years with the Library.

- Law Librarian of Congress Aslihan Bulut was interviewed for a Rutgers Alumni Profile, where she discusses the Law Library of Congress's holdings and how Rutgers shaped her career.

- John Edwards, associate dean for information resources and technology and professor of law at Drake University Law School, was elected mayor of Clive, Iowa, a suburb of Des Moines. He served on the city council for 26 years before becoming mayor. His term as mayor started this month.

- Elyse Fox has relocated to south Florida from North Carolina. She is now a law librarian at Legal Information Services in Boynton Beach, Florida. In addition, her new book, Write Your Annual Report: A Guide for Law Librarians, will be available in late January.
- AALL Executive Board member Emily Janoski-Haehlen was selected to serve as the next dean of The University of Akron School of Law following a national search conducted by the university.

- The Uniform Law Commission (ULC) has organized a Study Committee to investigate the feasibility of drafting a new uniform or model law on the Redaction of Personal Information from Public Records (RPIPR). Anne Klinefelter has been asked to participate as an observer, bringing her extensive knowledge of privacy law and records research to the project. Barbara Bintliff has been appointed reporter for the Study Committee, a role that draws on her previous service as reporter for the ULC’s Uniform Electronic Legal Materials Act (UELMA). Bintliff will be responsible for providing the committee with background research and memoranda and for drafting the committee’s final recommendations. The Study Committee’s deliberations are expected to last for approximately twelve months, at which time a decision will be made by the ULC’s Executive Committee about whether to move forward with a draft law.

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.

COMMUNITY CORNER

AALL @ LEGALWEEK NEW YORK 2022

AALL members will be participating in Legalweek New York 2022, to be held at the New York Hilton Midtown March 8-11. On Tuesday, March 8, AALL members will present three educational sessions tailored specifically to legal information professionals:

- "Knowledge Management, Legal Technology and the Art of Efficiency" / Saskia Mehlhorn (Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP)
- "Communication Breakdown: Leveraging Tools to Make Relationships Stick" / Chris Laut (Sullivan & Worcester LLP)
- "The Rise of Document Automation and Digital Contracts" / Greg Lambert (Jackson Walker LLP)

AALL MEMBERS DISCOUNT

AALL members receive 30% off full conference registration (use code AALL30).

Register today and join us as we celebrate the legal information professionals who help law firms win and keep the business of law moving forward.

PEGA-SIS WEBINAR: SO, YOU WANNA CREATE AN INCLUSIVE WORKPLACE? PART 1: CULTURAL DIVERSITY / FEBRUARY 23

This interview will explore how managers, supervisors, and employees can make the workplace more welcoming for all. Join us on Wednesday, February 23 from 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. (CST) for an engaging discussion with topics that include: (1) defining diversity, inclusion, and culture; (2) the power of assumptions and curiosity; and (3) unspoken cultural cues. This series is brought to you by the Professional Engagement, Growth & Advancement SIS and the AALL Continuing Professional Education Committee.

Cost: Members - Free / Nonmembers - $60

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