

**MARCH 28, 2022****FEATURED NEWS****REGISTER FOR AALL'S CI STRATEGIES & ANALYSIS / MAY 16-17****EARLY BIRD DEADLINE ENDS APRIL 15!**

Expand your competitive intelligence (CI) knowledge and learn strategic skills to take your CI game to the next level during AALL's [CI Strategies & Analysis](#) program, to take place **May 16-17, 2022, in Chicago**. Attendees will learn skills core to growing a competitive intelligence function, and will also have an opportunity to examine, practice, and discuss techniques with other professionals and network with peers from various settings. **Don't miss out—gain the deeper market insight needed to make informed strategic decisions to give your organization a competitive edge.**

- **Date:** May 16-17, 2022
- **Location:** 230 W Monroe Street, Chicago, IL 60606
- **Cost:** AALL Members \$795 / Nonmembers \$1,100 (Price increases \$100 for members & nonmembers after Friday, April 15, 2022).
- **Registration Deadline:** Monday, May 9, 2022

**WHY ATTEND?**

- Gain a deeper understanding of key CI concepts and methodology
- Convert research into analysis
- Tailor how you present your analysis to your audience
- Establish, organize, and implement a CI function at your organization
- Work with other departments to reach business development goals
- Learn how to frame your CI reporting and communicate your results
- Integrate CI into firm strategy

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NOW****TOMORROW IS THE LAST DAY TO APPLY TO SERVE ON THEAALL  
SPECTRUM OR LAW LIBRARY JOURNAL EDITORIAL BOARDS**

AALL is seeking applicants to serve on the 2022-2024 [AALL Spectrum Editorial Board](#), and the 2022-2024 [Law Library Journal Editorial Board](#).

Please read through the AALL Spectrum Editorial Board Member [job description](#) and the Law Library Editorial Board Member [job description](#) before applying. For more information visit the AALL Spectrum and Law Library Journal Editorial Board profiles on AALLNET.

**TO APPLY**

Please consider lending your time and talent to AALL—[submit your application](#) by tomorrow, March 29, 2022.

**VOLUNTEER  
NOW****APPLY FOR AN AALL SCHOLARSHIP AND/OR SHARE WITH A FRIEND OR  
COLLEAGUE BY THIS FRIDAY**

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 AALLNET.

**The deadline for applications is this Friday, April 1, 2022.** For additional questions, please contact AALL at [scholarships@aall.org](mailto:scholarships@aall.org).

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## QUICK LINKS

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## AALL UPDATES

### RENEW YOUR 2022-2023 AALL MEMBERSHIP / INVEST IN YOUR PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

This past year required a lot of adjustments, but we persevered together and celebrated [many accomplishments](#) that continued to move the profession forward. We appreciate and value you as an AALL member and hope you will continue your membership. [Renew your 2022-2023 membership](#) early and get it out of the way. AALL benefits add up to **over \$2,000+ in value** for the year. These include:

- Access to an extensive [network of peers](#); including the ability to join caucuses and special interest sections and connect with other members who share similar interests.
- Access to essential [professional development](#)—complimentary monthly webinars and virtual coffee chats as well as discounted rates for online courses and live events.
- AALL's daily newsletter [KnowItAALL](#), which highlights legal information news, industry trends, technology developments, government research, libraries, and career development topics—including AALL member expertise.
- More great [member benefits](#).

If you have any questions about your membership renewal, please contact AALL Headquarters at [membership@aall.org](mailto:membership@aall.org) or 312.939.4764.

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

## AALL SEEKS NEW MENTORS

[AALL's Mentor Program](#) provides newer members with advice on charting their career path, provides experienced members with an avenue to lend their knowledge and experience to promising new members, and provides mid-career members with a network when contemplating a move to another library type. Members from all library types are encouraged to sign up to become mentors and mentees, **but we are especially in need of mentors from academic and law firm settings.**

### 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

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## AALL STAFF NEWS

**Anna VanDeKerchove** has joined the AALL headquarters team as the membership & engagement manager. Her responsibilities include focusing on the member experience, membership recruitment and renewal process, database management, and engagement strategies. Anna holds a BA in music from Valparaiso University and a Master of Music in vocal performance from North Park University. Anna's professional background is in nonprofit administration and associations with varied capacities of fundraising and membership. Her most recent role was as the member services and administrative coordinator at the American Vein & Lymphatic Society, where she fostered relationships with members, overhauling the member onboarding process and creating new communications for members. Anna is thrilled to be joining AALL and looks forward to building relationships with members and providing lasting solutions and a bedrock of support to better serve our remarkable Association! Her AALL email address is [avandekerchove@aall.org](mailto:avandekerchove@aall.org); please join us in welcoming Anna to AALL.



## PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

### REGISTRATION OPENS NEXT WEEK FOR AALL 2022

Mark your calendar—the **2022 AALL Annual Meeting & Conference** is happening in person July 16-19 in Denver. We are excited to convene in person again! AALL 2022 will bring together collaborators from across the legal information profession for three days of innovation, tailored learning, and networking. It's where the legal information community goes for the latest, cutting-edge professional development, peer-to-peer connections, and a place to gather and exchange ideas and best practices. **Stay tuned—registration opens next week!**

## UPCOMING COFFEE CHATS & WEBINARS



### AALL VIRTUAL COFFEE CHAT: FACULTY SERVICES – WHAT'S ON THE MENU? / APRIL 5

Faculty services are an important part of an academic law library's overall mission. However, no two libraries approach this key component in exactly the same way. Join us **Tuesday, April 5 from 3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. (CDT)** for an informal discussion of faculty services offerings, models, and practices.

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

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### AALL VIRTUAL COFFEE CHAT: GETTING PUBLISHED: TIPS FOR ARTICLE DRAFTING AND SUBMISSION / APRIL 19

Whether you are an experienced writer or new to the profession and looking to write your first article, it all begins with the submission process. Oftentimes submission forms are too vague and don't provide enough detail about the focus of the article or try to touch on too much. Join us **Tuesday, April 19 from 3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. (CDT)** to discuss best practices and share tips for submitting articles/article proposals.

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

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### WE ARE ALL PROFESSIONALS: INCLUSION, OTHERING, AND THE CHANGING NATURE OF LIBRARY ROLES / APRIL 27

Automation, moving away from print, and shrinking staffs have resulted in major transitions in library assistant roles over the past few decades. Yet in many workplaces' library assistants continue to be treated as a separate class of workers, and persistent attitudes about "paraprofessionals" and their work abound. Join us **Wednesday, April 27**

from 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. (CDT) to discuss the changing nature of the typical library assistant, illuminate the ways that othering these colleagues can create a discouraging work environment, and articulate a vision for moving past this bifurcation to a future where the knowledge and expertise of all colleagues is valued, respected, and celebrated.

Cost: Members - Free / Nonmembers - \$60

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### MEMBER NEWS

- AALL Immediate Past President, [Emily R. Florio](#), has been appointed director of knowledge research & resources at DLA Piper. In her new role, which began March 21, she will oversee all aspects of the library and research teams. Florio previously served as senior research services manager at Hogan Lovells US LLP.

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.

### MEMORIAL

[Tiffani Willis](#) was the associate director of the law library and adjunct professor of law at Southwestern Law School in Los Angeles, California. She began her legal career while a student at the University of Southern California where she worked as a member of the school's Post Conviction Justice Project. After graduating from law school, she switched to a transactional practice, focusing on general corporate and securities law at Sidley Austin LLP. She practiced in both New York and California before pursuing a degree in library science and information studies at UCLA. While at UCLA, Willis worked in various libraries, including a branch of the Ninth Circuit Court Library located in Los Angeles, the Harnish Library at Pepperdine Law School, and the Rains Library at Loyola Law School. She earned her MLIS from the UCLA Graduate School of Education and Information Studies in 2012. Willis joined AALL in 2013 and served on the Conference of Newer Law Librarians (CONELL) Committee in 2021. She also served on the board of the Southern California Association of Law Libraries, and on several special interest sections (SISs), including Academic Law Libraries, Black Law Librarians, and Research Instruction & Patron Services. She became a Leadership Academy fellow in 2020. She passed away March 21, 2022.



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

## COMMUNITY CORNER

### ALL-SIS WEBINAR: HYBRID LEGAL RESEARCH INSTRUCTION / APRIL 21

Join the ALL-SIS Continuing Education Committee **Thursday, April 21 from 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. (CDT)** for a virtual, informal conversation on teaching in a hybrid environment. Speakers will share lessons learned with advice on what to do and what to avoid in delivering hybrid education.

**This webinar is free and open to all AALL members.**

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