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FEATURED NEWS

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 connecting 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 or 312.939.4764.

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AALL UPDATES

AALL'S FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE MET IN CHICAGO LAST WEEK

AALL's **Finance & Budget Committee** met March 3-4 in Chicago. The Committee was excited to learn from the AALL external auditors that the Association is in good financial health. This gives the Executive Board the opportunity to discuss new programs that may be implemented for members as approval of the 2022-2025 AALL strategic plan is forthcoming. More to come! The Committee also discussed AALL's investment portfolio with the Association's investment advisor to ensure that AALL remains sustainable. The first step of the FY 2022-2023 budget planning process also began at this meeting with the approval of the budget guidelines. Keep an



eye out for the May/June issue of *AALL Spectrum* which will include the Treasurer's Report.

VOLUNTEER TO SERVE ON THE AALL SPECTRUM OR LAW LIBRARY JOURNAL EDITORIAL BOARDS / APPLICATIONS DUE MARCH 29

Ensure your peers get the perspective and insights they need to continue to grow in their careers *AALL Spectrum*—our bimonthly member magazine, and *Law Library Journal*—the official journal of AALL—provide scholarly and trending articles on law, legal innovation, and librarianship.

WE NEED YOU

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 Tuesday, March 29, 2022.

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PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

AALL CALL FOR SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTS / SELF-PACED COURSE ON LEGAL RESEARCH

AALL is excited to begin work on its third self-paced eLearning offering focusing on legal research. To ensure the new course reflects the needs of our members, we are seeking your expertise to [serve as a subject matter expert \(SME\)](#).

WHAT'S IN IT FOR YOU?

As an SME who participates in creating this course, you will:

- contribute substantially to the future of education in the legal information profession
- play an important role in supporting AALL's mission
- showcase your skills as an expert on the topic
- expand your leadership skills
- meet new people in the eLearning world

"This was a new type of professional experience for me, so I really enjoyed getting out of my volunteer comfort zone." **SME for AALL's course on strategic thinking.**

TO APPLY

This is a volunteer position. If you are interested in serving as an SME for this self-paced course, please [complete the form](#). You may also recommend a colleague. If you have any questions or concerns about logistics and timing, please contact [Fiore Barbini](#), AALL director of education & learning. **Applications will be accepted through 11:59 p.m. (EDT) on April 1, and any interviews will be conducted via video call in late April/early May.**

TO CONTRIBUTE IDEAS

If you are unable to participate fully as an SME, but would like to contribute ideas, content, or examples to the development of this course, please email elarning@aall.org. We appreciate and value your input.

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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 AALLNET.

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

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UPCOMING COFFEE CHATS & WEBINARS



REGISTER FOR TOMORROW'S AALL VIRTUAL COFFEE CHAT: PARENTING DURING THE PANDEMIC / MARCH 8

COVID-19 has strained communities and resources across so many sectors, but parents of young children continue to face unique (and often overwhelming) challenges. Join us **tomorrow from 3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. (CST)** to find understanding—and maybe even some helpful ideas—among sympathetic colleagues.

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

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START TO FINISH: SUCCESSFULLY IMPLEMENTING A NEW TOOL, WARTS AND ALL / MARCH 16

Learn from your peers and business partners about a successful implementation of a new or updated library tool. Join us on **Wednesday, March 16 from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (CDT)** where your peers will discuss their roadmap to a successful implementation of a library resource and how they collaborated across departments and with business partners to meet their goals.

Cost: Members - Free / Nonmembers - \$60

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THOMSON REUTERS PARTNER WEBINAR: TALENT MANAGEMENT 3.0 AND SMALL ACTIONS, BIG WINS: HOW TO RETAIN TALENT IN HYBRID WORK / MARCH 23

The future of work is changing quickly, and this future is here now. In 2022, understanding how blended work environments and a “remote-first mindset” influence key employees’ stay and leave decisions is a necessity, not a nice-to-have. Join us on **Wednesday, March 23 from 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. (CDT)** to learn what these micro actions are and hear from forward-thinking peers and leaders on how policies and behaviors create productive, value-driving outcomes in hybrid work environments.

Cost: Members - Free / Nonmembers - \$60

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AALL VIRTUAL COFFEE CHAT: TELLING YOUR



INSTITUTION'S STORY / MARCH 24

Law librarians are uniquely positioned to craft and tell compelling stories of their institutions, and these stories can support all kinds of initiatives, from community engagement to fundraising to collaboration with other entities. Join us **Thursday, March 24 from 3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. (CDT)** to discuss how identifying collections and themes that tell your institutional narrative can elevate your library's status and strengthen your

community.

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

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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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COMMUNITY CORNER

PEGA-SIS WEBINAR: SO, YOU WANNA CREATE AN INCLUSIVE WORKPLACE? PART 2: INVISIBLE DISABILITIES / MARCH 17

This is the second in a two-part series about creating an inclusive workplace, and the focus of this part is invisible disabilities. Join us **Thursday, March 17 from 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. (CDT)** for an engaging discussion where panelists will explore three questions:

- Why should you make your workplace more inclusive for people with invisible disabilities?
- How can you make your workplace more inclusive for people with invisible disabilities?
- What is the result of making the workplace more inclusive for people with invisible disabilities?

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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LIT-SIS VIRTUAL COFFEE TALK / MARCH 18

Meet LIT-SIS members and learn what recent tech projects librarians are implementing. Join us **Friday, March 18 from 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. (CDT)**. Meet like-minded folks and share success stories and challenges. This is a great networking opportunity for new and seasoned members.

This virtual coffee chat is free and open to all AALL members.

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FCIL-SIS WEBINAR: LEGAL DATA AND INFORMATION IN PRACTICE: HOW DATA AND THE LAW INTERACT / MARCH 22

It is becoming imperative that organizations facilitate the acquisition, management, and use of legal data. On **Tuesday, March 22 from 1:00 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. (CDT)**, CanLII president Sarah Sutherland will explain why data use matters in the legal space and describe the issues that affect legal data and organizations in particular. She will provide an international perspective on the issues affecting access to legal data and clearly describe methods of obtaining and evaluating it, pulling insights from her recent book, *Legal Data and Information in Practice: How Data and the Law Interact*.

This webinar is free and open to all AALL members.

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ALL-SIS WEBINAR: DIGITAL ACCESSIBILITY: BEST PRACTICES AND CONSIDERATIONS FOR LAW LIBRARIES / MARCH 24

Join the ALL-SIS Continuing Education Committee **Thursday, March 24 from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (CDT)** for a virtual panel discussion on best practices for law libraries in implementing and continuing digital accessibility initiatives. Topics to be covered include practical steps in making library-created content—including teaching materials—digitally accessible; obtaining institutional and staff “buy-in” for digital accessibility initiatives; and working with database vendors and e-book publishers to ensure their platforms are digitally accessible.

This webinar is free and open to all AALL members.

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