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**FEATURED NEWS****AALL EXECUTIVE BOARD TO MEET THIS WEEK IN CHICAGO**

The AALL Executive Board will hold their spring Board meeting on Friday, April 8 and Saturday, April 9 in Chicago. The agenda and board book for the spring meeting may be accessed on [AALLNET](#).

**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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**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**.

### JOIN A SPECIAL INTEREST SECTION

Connect with others that share your professional interests through AALL's 14 **special interest sections** (SIS's). 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](mailto:membership@aall.org) or 312.939.4764.

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## ADVOCACY

### APPLICATION PERIOD FOR FEDERAL JUDICIARY'S PACER USER GROUP NOW OPEN / APPLY BY APRIL 30

The federal Judiciary has opened the **application period** for membership in its public user group that provides advice and feedback on ways to improve electronic public access (EPA) services, including the Public Access to Court Electronic Records (PACER) system. The application period for the EPA Public User Group is open until April 30, 2022, and the two-year term begins on July 1, 2022. AALL members are encouraged to apply. More information is available on the **United States Courts website**. AALL member **Theresa A. Reiss** currently serves as a member of the user group and AALL thanks her for serving.

### NEW COVID.GOV WEBSITE LAUNCHED

The United States (U.S.) federal government has launched a new website, **COVID.gov**, to connect people in the U.S. with information about vaccines, tests, treatments, and masks, as well as to get the latest updates on COVID-19 in their communities. Additional COVID-19 updates and resources for members are available on the **AALL COVID-19 resources page**.

## PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

### 27 FELLOWS ATTEND AALL'S 2022 LEADERSHIP ACADEMY IN CHICAGO

The **2022 AALL Leadership Academy** took place March 31 and April 1 in Chicago last week. The Academy, featuring Dr. Judith Millesen as facilitator, is designed to equip law librarians with essential leadership skills and strategies to handle challenges at the early stages of their careers. Through a combination of lecture and interactive group work, participants learned various leadership styles, including strategies for overcoming challenges in leadership, inclusive leadership, mindfulness, and communication styles. They also participated in an AALL Leaders Panel discussion featuring AALL President **Diane M. Rodriguez**, **Jean Wenger**, and **Lindsey Carpino**.



### WHAT PARTICIPANTS ARE SAYING

“Just finished the American Association of Law Libraries #leadershipacademy and am leaving Chicago informed, inspired, and genuinely impressed about the amazing things my cohorts are doing in the profession. I am excited to take all that I have learned and implement it into my everyday life.” – **Shivani Naicker, 2022 Leadership Academy Fellow**

Thank you to **Thomson Reuters** for sponsoring this professional education opportunity.



## AALL MEMBER BENEFIT / MICROLEARNING VIDEO SERIES

**AALL's Microlearning Videos Series** take a holistic approach to skill-based education that is delivered in bite-sized pieces. These short-form-focused videos are designed to cover an individual skill pertinent in the law librarian's world. Current videos discuss fair use, wine law, comparing red-lined versions in Microsoft Word, and the most recent feature, our "a day in the life of a law library fellow" interview series. These videos are available on **AALL eLearning**, simply search "microlearning." Additional videos are planned to drop throughout the year.

**Cost: Free for AALL Members**

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## UPCOMING COFFEE CHATS & WEBINARS



### REGISTER FOR TOMORROW'S AALL VIRTUAL COFFEE CHAT: FACULTY SERVICES – WHAT'S ON THE MENU?

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 **tomorrow 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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## TRELLIS PARTNER WEBINAR: MAXIMIZING LEGAL ANALYTICS IN STATE TRIAL COURTS / MAY 10

Join AALL and Trellis on **Tuesday, May 10 from 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. (CDT)** for an engaging presentation that covers how legal analytics enables your team to analyze the behavior and history of your judge, competitive counsel, prospects, and clients to gain crucial insights into litigation history and ruling tendencies. You will also learn how to maximize legal analytics for your firm to gain a competitive advantage, win cases, and bring in more money when litigating in state trial courts.

Cost: Members - Free / Nonmembers - \$60

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### MEMBER NEWS

- **Sara Galligan**, law librarian at the Ramsey County Law Library in St. Paul, Minnesota, **retired** last week, after 14 years in her position.
- **Susan Nevelow Mart**, professor and director of the law library at the University of Colorado Law School, William A. Wise Law Library, will be **retiring** at the end of the 2021-2022 school year. Nevelow Mart has served in her position at Colorado for 11 years.

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

#### 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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