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2022 AALL ANNUAL MEETING & CONFERENCE

REUNITE WITH YOUR COLLEAGUES AT AALL 2022

Over 750 of your colleagues have already registered for [AALL 2022](#). Don't miss out on [reconnecting with them](#) in person this summer in Denver. AALL 2022 will offer [more than 60 educational programs](#) planned over four days—get energized with new techniques and strategies to benefit your library and its users. Let your employer know *why* you need to be at AALL 2022. [Download the Justification Toolkit to make your case for attending the conference.](#)

AALL 2022 is your one-stop destination for tailored learning and building your professional network and community:

- Attend preconference workshops: [Fundamentals When You Don't Have a JD, Teaching Law Tech Teachers](#), or [CONELL](#)
- Discover new and emerging technology and trends from over 55 [exhibitors](#)
- Start [building your personal schedule](#) for your time in Denver

POSTER SESSIONS

Have you implemented an innovative program in your library? Perhaps you have created a set of best practices to apply in the workplace. Or maybe you would like to share new classroom techniques, findings from a research project, or a practical problem-solving effort. [Poster sessions](#) are a popular conference feature, and this year's selections will once again be on display at the conference—your good idea could benefit your fellow colleagues. [Submit your proposal by next Wednesday, June 1.](#)

Join the conversation! Let your Twitter network know that you are attending, presenting, or exhibiting at the AALL Annual Meeting by using [#AALL22!](#)

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PARTICIPATE IN AALL'S HOST PROGRAM

The [AALL Annual Meeting & Conference Host Program](#) connects new members or first-time attendees with experienced conference attendees to help newcomers confidently navigate the Annual Meeting, select programs to attend, and network with fellow colleagues. If you are interested in participating, [please submit the form by June 24](#), and we will do our best to make a match that will benefit both the host and first-time attendee.

PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

AALL MEMBER BENEFIT / WEBINARS

AALL webinars cover a broad range of topics across the profession. Learn the skills, best practices, and trends you need to be successful and maintain a competitive edge.

UPCOMING WEBINARS

- [Pacer Pro Partner Webinar: Demystifying the Pacer Services Marketplace, from Docketing to Analytics / June 7](#)
- [Thomson Reuters Partner Webinar: Advancing Justice for All Through Legal Pro Bono / June 14](#)
- [Check Out Consortium Membership to Enhance Collection Development / June 15](#)

LEADER IN YOU

Each month the Leadership Development Committee will highlight a librarian leader and ask them a few questions about their leadership journey.

Liz Graham
Executive Director, Law Library
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What does leadership mean to you?

Leadership is inherently contextual. How you lead through crisis should be different from how you lead through periods of stability. There are definitely general qualities you should bring to the table such as self-awareness, adaptability, and a commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion. However, at the end of the day, you have to lead in a way that feels most authentic to you, while accounting for the needs of your team. You also need to be an advocate. Sometimes that means leveraging your authority to make something better for those around you or using your influence to mitigate a challenging situation.

Is there a particular AALL product/program/article that was especially helpful for you as you developed as a leader?

I have benefited greatly from opportunities within AALL that support members' ability to generate interesting programs that they are passionate about. For example, the [AALL/Bloomberg Law Continuing Education Grant](#) helped my local chapter co-produce the "Project 20/20: From Transition to Transformation" series during the pandemic that focused on topics impacting our community, while at the same time fostering connections with colleagues during an isolating period.

What resources do you recommend for those looking to build or improve their leadership skills?

This is less of a resource and more of a philosophy, but I suggest intentionally taking risks and being open to unexpected opportunities. Not only has the approach allowed me to cultivate experience across multiple library functions, but it's also enabled work in different libraries, institutions, and even countries.

What has been one of your biggest challenges as a leader?

Going to law school during a pandemic, while working full time. While it's certainly been difficult to strike a reasonable balance between my competing worlds, being both a librarian and student has uniquely positioned me to understand the important role law libraries play in the academic life of the community.

How has your leadership style developed or evolved during this time of constant change?

My professional career has been dominated by complex and disruptive change. I drew heavily from the lessons I have learned and applied them during the pandemic. I advocated for those most impacted to be given a voice in the process. This meant listening to their concerns and working collectively to develop solutions. It was also important to be intentional about acknowledging how deeply the pandemic impacted the personal lives of those who reported to me and adjusting expectations accordingly.

Do you know a great leader? Recommend a leader for us to spotlight in the Leader in You column. Send your recommendation with a brief description of why you think they are a great leader to [Julie Pabarja](#), Chair, Leadership Development Committee.

ON-DEMAND LEARNING

INCREASE YOUR STRATEGIC THINKING SKILLS

AALL's self-paced course, "[Strategic Thinking for Law Librarians](#)," will teach law library professionals—at any level—how to employ strategic thinking for impactful decision-making. Whether you are interested in preparing for a management role or are already in a leadership position, you will come away better equipped to confidently tackle any decision (large or small), make a compelling argument, and apply influence in your organization in a way that creates optimal conditions for success.

Cost: Members \$99 / Nonmembers \$149

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EXPAND YOUR BUDGETING SKILLS

More than 100 of your colleagues have registered for and completed AALL's self-paced course, "[Introduction to Law Library Budgets](#)." Don't miss out—learn the fundamental skills that will help you address important issues such as identifying and managing competing priorities, explaining day-to-day operations, and connecting financial resources to meet goals.

This course will provide you with the skills you need to become more confident when it comes to making and maintaining a budget within your organization.

Cost: Members \$99 / Nonmembers \$149

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MICROLEARNING VIDEO SERIES

[AALL's Microlearning Videos Series](#) takes a holistic approach to skill-based education that is delivered in bite-size 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 our "day in the life" video 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

UPCOMING COFFEE CHATS & WEBINARS

AALL has several exciting coffee chats and webinars lined up next month, including the June 2nd coffee chat "[Legal Research Competencies and the Bar Exam](#)." Be sure to visit the [AALL Calendar of Events](#) page to stay up to date on future topics and to register.

Is there a topic you want covered in an AALL webinar? Please email Fiore Barbini, AALL director of education and learning at fbarbini@aall.org.

WEBINARS NOW AVAILABLE ON-DEMAND

- [PEGA-SIS Live Interview Series: So, You Wanna Be An Editor?](#)
- [Effective Strategic Planning: Challenges, Obstacles & Opportunities](#)
- [Trellis Partner Webinar: Maximizing Legal Analytics in State Trial Courts](#)

PICK OF THE MONTH

Selected by AALL's Continuing Professional Education Committee

A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A TECHNICAL SERVICES LIBRARIAN

The work we do as librarians has changed greatly in recent years, and the pandemic is only accelerating these changes. In AALL's new Microlearning video series, "A Day in the Life," we sit down with colleagues in a variety of roles and library settings to listen to them reflect on their career and experiences in this role and share a glimpse into their typical workday. Recently Cornell H. Winston, law librarian & records center supervisor at the United States Attorney's Office in Los Angeles, and AALL Board member, shared his experience. Check out [his video](#) and all of the [Microlearning videos](#) on the AALL eLearning platform.

Find many more continuing education programs and webinars on [AALL eLearning](#).

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COMMUNITY CORNER

UPCOMING SIS WEBINARS

Several of AALL's special interest sections (SISs) feature webinars every month that are open to all AALL members. Be sure to visit the [AALL Calendar of Events](#) page to stay up to date on future topics and to register. Upcoming webinars include the FCIL-SIS webinar "[The Most Improbable War: Legal Transformations in Ukraine and Russia Before and During the Invasion.](#)"

2022 PLLIP VIRTUAL SUMMIT

The [2022 PLLIP Virtual Summit](#) "Rocking New Roles, Responsibilities, and Realities" will be held **June 24 from 10:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (CDT)**. The 2022 PLLIP Virtual Summit will offer attendees the opportunity to explore how to increase their visibility, promote their expanding roles, and learn to build their personal brand. If you have any general questions regarding the Summit, please contact [Abby Dos Santos](#).

AALL Members: \$25.00

**** The registration deadline is June 10, 2022 (with zero exceptions).** Please note, check payments will no longer be accepted after May 27 and any new registrations must be paid in full with a credit card.

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