FEATURED NEWS

AALL 2022 / TOMORROW IS THE LAST DAY TO SAVE $100

You have one more day to save $100 on the 2022 AALL Annual Meeting—register now and reunite with hundreds of your legal information peers. Don’t miss out on more than 60 educational programs planned over four days—and return from Denver energized and empowered with new techniques and strategies to benefit your library and its users. Use the new Justification Toolkit to make your case for attending the conference.

Start building your personal schedule for while you’re in Denver by creating a login and selecting your programs, meetings, and events. Closer to the conference, you will be able to download the app and keep your schedule in the palm of your hand.

If you have already registered for the conference, you may add ticketed SIS events to your existing registration by contacting Customer Service at 1.877.737.0555 (between 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. EDT) or customerservice@AALLconference.org.

Join the conversation! Let your network know that you’re attending, presenting, or exhibiting at the AALL Annual Meeting on Twitter using #AALL22!

CRIV ROUNDTABLE SURVEY / RESPONSES DUE MAY 25

The Committee on Relations with Information Vendors (CRIV) is hard at work planning their annual vendor roundtable, which will be held virtually in mid-June. As they finalize the topic for this year’s roundtable, they would like your input. Broadly, the topic addresses diversity, equity, and inclusion in vendor collections and products; and they are seeking your help to narrow down this topic further. Please fill out this short, two-question survey by Wednesday, May 25, 2022.

QUICK LINKS

AALL Events Calendar | AALL Career Center | AALL News | AALL COVID-19 Resources | AALL Anti-Racism, Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

AALL ANNUAL MEETING & CONFERENCE
SUBMIT A POSTER SESSION / SUBMISSIONS DUE JUNE 1

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 June 1.

AALL BUSINESS MEETING & MEMBERS OPEN FORUM / SUBMIT RESOLUTIONS BY JUNE 20

The AALL Business Meeting & Members Open Forum will be held Monday, July 18 from 1:30 p.m. - 2:45 p.m. (MT) in Denver during the AALL Annual Meeting & Conference. This is open to all members. A member may submit a resolution for consideration at the Business Meeting by Monday, June 20. Please be sure to follow the resolution submission guidelines.

During the Members Open Forum, AALL Executive Board officers will be available to respond to member questions regarding AALL, as well as its programs and activities. In addition to asking questions during the meeting, members may also submit questions in advance of the meeting to ambusmtg@aall.org.

If you have questions, please contact AALL’s Headquarters Office at 312.939.4764.

AALL UPDATES

RENEW YOUR AALL MEMBERSHIP BEFORE IT EXPIRES ON MAY 31

Over 1,700 of your colleagues have renewed their membership for 2022-2023. As a reminder, your current membership is valid through May 31, 2022. Don't lose out on essential AALL benefits that add up to over $2,000+ in value for the year. These include:

- Access to essential professional development—complimentary monthly webinars and virtual coffee chats as well as discounted rates for online courses and live events.
- Discounted registration to the 2022 AALL Annual Meeting & Conference in Denver. Registration is open!
- 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.
- Plus, so much more.

If you have any questions about your membership renewal, please contact AALL Headquarters at membership@aall.org or 312.939.4764.

AALLNET DOWNTIME

AALL’s service provider will be installing updates and performing other server upgrades on Thursday, May 26 at 7:00 p.m. (EDT). During the maintenance window, the AALL website will go offline for approximately 20 minutes and you also may experience some latency issues until the entire process is complete. We apologize for the inconvenience this may cause. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Christopher Siwa, AALL director of information technology.

When: May 26 at 7:00 p.m. (EDT)
Maintenance window: 1 hour
Estimated downtime: 20 minutes

ADVOCACY

GPO TASK FORCE SURVEY ON ALL-DIGITAL FEDERAL DEPOSITORY LIBRARY PROGRAM / RESPONSES DUE MAY 20
The U.S. Government Publishing Office’s (GPO) Task Force on a Digital Federal Depository Library Program (FDLP) is studying the feasibility of an all-digital FDLP. As part of this process, the Task Force is seeking feedback from law librarians and legal information professionals to understand the impact that any changes to the FDLP may have on access to government information. AALL members are invited to take the Task Force’s survey by this Friday, May 20 to share your thoughts. Please send any questions to AALL member Scott Matheson, who was selected by the GPO to represent AALL on the Task Force.

AALL SUBMITS TESTIMONY ON FUNDING FOR GPO & LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

Advocating for funding for the U.S. Government Publishing Office (GPO) and the Library of Congress is one of AALL’s legislative priorities. In support of this, AALL recently submitted testimony to the U.S. House of Representatives Legislative Branch Appropriations Subcommittee in favor of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 budget requests of the GPO and the Library of Congress. AALL’s testimony focused on how the requested funding will allow these agencies to continue to build valuable partnerships with law libraries and other stakeholders, accelerate digitization initiatives of important primary legal materials including the United States Congressional Serial Set and U.S. Supreme Court Records and Briefs, and expand collaborative projects that provide greater access to legal information in print and online through the Federal Depository Library Program, the govinfodigital repository, and the Law Library of Congress’ website.

PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

INCREASE YOUR STRATEGIC THINKING SKILLS / REGISTER FOR AALL’S SELF-PACED COURSE

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

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, including the latest, "A Day in the Life of a Law Librarian & Records Center Supervisor." 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 for the remainder of this month as well as June, including the "AALL Virtual Coffee Chat: Legal Research Competencies and the Bar Exam" on June 2. Be sure to visit the AALL Calendar of Events page to stay up to date on future topics and to register.

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AALL NEW VOICES / SUBMISSIONS DUE MAY 27

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. (CDT on May 27, 2022.)
KNOWITAALL HIGHLIGHTS

MEMBER POSTS

Members shared innovative content and started important conversations, including:

- Rebecca Potance examined how people (librarians) doing the work is what makes libraries successful.
- Itunu Sofidiya recaped her experience attending the 2022 AALL Leadership Academy.
- Marcelo Rodriguez discussed how to recognize a toxic boss and why you should get out!
- The Temple Law Library Podcast spoke with Michelle Cosby, past AALL president and outgoing Temple Law Library director, to reflect on her time at Temple and wish her good luck in her new position.
- Peter Hook examined academic law library budgets.

OTHER LEGAL & GOVERNMENT INFORMATION UPDATES

- Law.com highlighted that law firms developing predictive analytics tools are seeing an opportunity in the legal tech market.
- Lawsites reported that LexisNexis acquired CLM company Parley Pro as part of broader enhancement of its CounselLink ELM platform.
- ABA Journal reported that ABA Legal Ed Council were asked to remove the requirement for entrance exams.
- Ex Libris Juris: Harris County Robert W. Hainsworth Law Library discussed the publication procedure of U.S. Supreme Court Opinions.
- Pew reported that the unemployment rate for woman has declined to pre-pandemic levels.

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, Therese A. Arado, deputy director/professor of the David C. Shapiro Memorial Law Library at Northern Illinois University College of Law in DeKalb, Illinois, discusses how she got into law librarianship and shares her favorite AALL benefit.

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

AALL MEMBER NEWS

- Christine Park was selected as the AALL Diversity & Inclusion Committee's May Librarian of the month.

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

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 next week's PEGA-SIS "So You Wanna Be an Editor," as well as webinars from ALL-SIS and FCIL-SIS.

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
Nonmembers: $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.

LEARN MORE & REGISTER

WESTPAC SPRING EDUCATION SERIES: LEGAL RESEARCH ON THE ROAD / MAY 20

Join WestPac on Friday, May 20 at 12:00 p.m. (CDT) for a discussion with Tawnya Plumb about her outreach project, Legal Research on the Road, an initiative to promote free legal resources and services to public librarians in Wyoming. She will cover grant opportunities, successes, and failures. Plumb is the head of collections at George W. Hopper Law Library at the University of Wyoming College of Law.

This discussion is free and open to all AALL members.

JOIN THE DISCUSSION

ASIAN AMERICAN LAW LIBRARIANS CAUCUS JOINT FILM SCREETING DISCUSSION: ALTERNATIVE FACTS: THE LIES OF EXECUTIVE ORDER 9066** / MAY 23

Join the Asian American Law Librarians Caucus, together with co-sponsors Black Law Librarians SIS, Government Law Libraries SIS, Social Responsibilities SIS, Federal Law Librarians Caucus, and Jewish Law Librarians Caucus, for a virtual viewing of Alternative Facts: The Lies of Executive Order 9066**, a documentary feature film that tells the story of how racial bias, intentional falsehoods, and the suppression of evidence and secret alteration of military reports resulted in the Supreme Court approval of the mass internment of Japanese Americans during World War II. The film addresses how the discovery of government documents in the National Archives 40 years later led to coram nobis actions reopening Fred Korematsu's case and others and brought about the vacation of his conviction.

The 66-minute film will be available for AALL members to watch from now through May 22(Password: aall2022!).

Join in on the virtual discussion with the documentary's filmmaker/director, Jon Osaki, over Zoom on Monday, May 23 at 2:00 p.m. (CDT)

This discussion is free and open to all AALL members.

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