MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD / VOTE FOR AALL'S EXECUTIVE BOARD

Online voting for the AALL Executive Board election for vice president/president-elect, secretary, and Executive Board members runs through 11:59 p.m. (PDT) on Monday, October 31, 2022. If you have any trouble voting, please contact Christopher Siwa for assistance.

Members of the AALL Executive Board ensure that decisions made are consistent with AALL’s mission, vision, and strategic plan while continuing to increase the value proposition of the Association. It's important to make an educated decision, and we encourage you to learn more about the candidates by listening to the Candidates' Forum recordings for secretary, vice president/president-elect, and Executive Board member.

Get involved and vote today!

CAST YOUR VOTE

THE 2022 AALL LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY TRAINING IS NEXT MONDAY

Legislative advocacy is about making your voice heard and taking action that may impact legislation. Join us next Monday, October 24 from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (CDT) for the AALL Legislative Advocacy Training, which will include tips, resources, and real-life examples for you to engage and influence lawmakers on issues that impact legal information and law librarianship. Presenters will discuss how to develop your advocacy strategies, communicate effectively, and work with your chapters and other allies to make the most impact.

Cost: Free and open to all AALL members.

LEARN MORE & REGISTER

QUICK LINKS

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

AALL UPDATES

AALL STATE OF THE PROFESSION SURVEY / GIFT CARD RAFFLE & DISCOUNT
Invitations for the AALL State of the Profession Survey were sent to all members working in U.S. law libraries and legal information last Wednesday. The purpose of the survey is to capture the current legal information landscape concerning technology, demographics, budgets, user services, operations, pipeline, and more. Respondents can opt in to be eligible to win one of four $50 gift cards as well as a 10% discount on the final report. If you did not receive your invitation (sent from noreply@ari-surveys.com email address, you can also search for American Association of Law Libraries), please check your spam folder. If you do not see the invitation in spam, please reach out to AALL.

AALL would also like to receive input from nonmembers who work in legal information. If you know anyone who falls into that category, please ask these individuals to contact Association Research, Inc., (ARI is AALL’s consultant for this survey) at aril@associationresearch.com for an invitation. Completed surveys are due by 11:59 p.m. (Central) on Thursday, November 10, 2022.

BECOME THE NEXT EDITOR OF LAW LIBRARY JOURNAL / APPLY BY NOVEMBER 10

The Law Library Journal (LLJ) Editor leads the Law Library Journal Editorial Board, and assists in generating editorial content for quarterly issues of Law Library Journal that meets the needs and interests of members.

This position requires experience as a writer and/or editor; excellent communication and negotiation skills; substantial experience in the law library profession; and active AALL membership with a record of involvement with the Association.

TO VOLUNTEER

Please send your resume and a letter explaining why you are interested in becoming the LLJ editor to Heather Haemker, AALL director of marketing & communications, by Thursday, November 10. If you have any questions, please contact Heather Haemker at 312.205.8038.

PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

AALL 2023 PROGRAM PROPOSALS UPDATE

We received 114 program proposals for the 2023 Annual Meeting & Conference. Thank you to everyone who submitted a program or workshop proposal. The Annual Meeting Program Committee is in the process of reviewing submitted proposals.

UPCOMING DATES

- Program Proposal Review by AMPC / October 17, 2022 - November 29, 2022
- Program Selection Meeting / December 9, 2022 / Chicago, IL
- Program Selections Announced / January 2023

HAVE YOU TAKEN AALL’S BOK SELF-ASSESSMENT YET?

AALL’s new AALL Body of Knowledge (BoK) self-assessment will help you gauge not only where your skills align with the BoK, but also where opportunities exist for improvement and enhancement. This tool is self-scored with no right or wrong answers. Use the results to make a professional development plan and complete the competencies tool at desired intervals to measure your growth over time. A curated list of AALL educational programs will be provided based on your individual responses.

For more information on the domains, competencies, and skills referenced, please visit the AALL Body of Knowledge (BoK) on AALLNET.

UPCOMING COFFEE CHATS & WEBINARS

AALL has several exciting coffee chats and webinars coming up next month, including the November 15 Virtual Coffee Chat "Avoiding Burnout: Stop, Drop, and Roll" from 3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. (CST). Be sure to visit AALL eLearning to stay up to date on future topics and to register.
Is there a topic you want covered in an AALL webinar? Please submit the webinar proposal form or email Fiore Barbini, AALL director of education and learning at fbarbini@aall.org. If you have any ideas or topics for a future coffee chat, please email elearning@aall.org.

UPCOMING GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

AALL/BLOOMBERG LAW CONTINUING EDUCATION GRANT

Does your chapter, special interest section, committee, or caucus have an educational event that needs funding? If so, apply for an AALL/Bloomberg Law Continuing Education Grant. Grant requests are accepted at various times throughout the year. The next deadline for grant applications is Monday, October 31, 2022.

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KNOWITAAALL HIGHLIGHTS

MEMBER POSTS

Members shared innovative content and started important conversations, including:

- Marcelo Rodriguez discussed the term “family” when used in the workplace.
- Julie Tedjeske Crane broke down Purdue University’s IMPACT program, and how collaboration with other departments benefits both individual librarians and the library as an academic unit.
- Shira Megerman interviewed AALL President Beth Adelman about how she became interested in law librarianship, how she positively impacts her community as a law librarian, and more.
- Jennifer Mendez celebrated Hispanic/Latinx Heritage Month by sharing historical and cultural information as well as some fun and interesting factoids.
- Jenny Silbiger discussed living with gratitude.

OTHER LEGAL & LIBRARY UPDATES

- ITHAKA S+R explored why and how instructors teach with data, identified the most important challenges they face, and described how faculty and students utilize relevant campus and external resources.
- The University of South Carolina School of Law recognized the librarians and other participants in democracy who are taking a stand for readers’ rights.
- LawSites reported that Clio released the 2022 edition of its annual Legal Trends Report.
- During the Supreme Court’s first week back in session, SCOTUSBlog discussed the oral arguments, new dynamics on the bench, and a significant grant from the long conference.
- Internet Archive Blogs announced the release of the COVID-19 Web Archive.

ABOUT KNOWITALL

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, Chava Spivak-Birndorf, Research & Instructional Services Librarian at Drexel University, Thomas R. Kline School of Law in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, shares how she got into law librarianship and why she joined AALL.

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

AALL MEMBER NEWS

- AALL members Janet Peros, Anna Liese Price, and Ken Rodriguez have been appointed by the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts to serve on the U.S. Courts’ Electronic Public Access (EPA) Public User Group. The EPA Public User Group’s mission is to provide advice and feedback on the development, implementation, and enhancement of electronic public access services provided by the federal judiciary, including PACER and the availability of electronic court records.
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

CAUCUS/CHAPTER NEWS

- The Greater Philadelphia Law Library Association will hold its 2022 Institute on November 11 at 12:00 p.m. (EDT) at the Kline Institute of Trial Advocacy, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The theme of this year's Institute is "History and the Law Library." Recent decisions from the Supreme Court of the United States have thrust legal history into the forefront of public debate. Panelists will discuss the impact of legal history on policymaking, legal research, and the legal information profession. Additional details and registration information is available on the event website.

- The Latinx Caucus has selected their new Board, which consists of Victor Chavez (Chair), Elaine Tornés Blanco (Vice Chair), and Rosa Hall (Secretary). The Board encourages all caucus members to view the Latinx Caucus Discussion page to learn more about the new board, get details for the next meeting, and to fill out a brief, four-minute survey so the new Board can more effectively plan for the future.

UPCOMING SIS WEBINAR

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 November 9 PLLIP-SIS webinar "9 Is the Magic Number."

Stay Informed: Join our mailing list.