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TODAY IS THE LAST DAY TO SUBMIT A PROGRAM PROPOSAL FOR AALL 2023

Thank you to everyone who has submitted a program or workshop proposal for the 2023 AALL Annual Meeting & Conference—Map Our Future—July 15-18, 2023, in Boston. There is still time to contribute your great idea. Please go through the quick guide for getting started, explore additional resources for program proposers (including the must-have program topics identified by AALL members), and use the online Program and Workshop Proposal Collection site to develop your proposal. AALL remains committed to ensuring a dynamic and diverse lineup of programs. We look forward to seeing your proposals.

SUBMIT A PROPOSAL

AALL STATE OF THE PROFESSION SURVEY TO BE SENT OUT TOMORROW

The AALL State of the Profession Report Committee is excited to announce the third iteration of the AALL State of the Profession Survey. Requests to complete the survey will be sent to all members working in law libraries and legal information tomorrow, October 12, 2022. The purpose of the survey is to capture the information needed to reflect the current legal information landscape concerning technology, demographics, budgets, user services, operations, pipeline, and more. Additional information is available on AALLNET. AALL would also like to reach 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, AALL’s consultant for this survey) at arion@associationresearch.com to receive a survey link.

QUICK LINKS

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AALL UPDATES

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

The AALL Executive Board election is open—online voting 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.

Vote today and help shape the future of AALL.
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 is responsible for 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.

View Complete Position Description

View Law Library Journal Fact Sheet

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.

LAW LIBRARY JOURNAL BOOK REVIEW EDITORS SELECTED

Law Library Journal has selected two new members to serve as book review editors, whose work will begin in November 2022, assisting the current book review editors with a column to learn the process. The new editors will serve a three-year term—working on Vol. 115-Vol. 117.

- Chava Spivak-Birndorf; Research and Instructional Services Librarian; Drexel University Kline School of Law; Philadelphia, PA
- Matt Timko; Assistant Professor, and Academic Technologies and Outreach Services Librarian; Northern Illinois University College of Law; DeKalb, IL

Thank you to outgoing book review editors Susan Azyndar and Susan David DeMaine for your hard work and service these past three and a half years.

ADVOCACY

AALL SUPPORTS A DIGITAL FEDERAL DEPOSITORY LIBRARY PROGRAM

AALL shared our views with the U.S. Government Publishing Office (GPO) in favor of a digital Federal Depository Library Program (FDLP). AALL strongly believes that a digital FDLP has the potential to make government information even more accessible in the future. We also agree with the GPO Task Force on a Digital FDLP that there is an ongoing need for the GPO to provide access to a limited number of print federal legal materials. Our comments highlight opportunities for partnerships and collaborations between the GPO and law libraries.

2022 AALL LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY TRAINING / OCTOBER 24

Join us on 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.
AALL has several exciting coffee chats and webinars coming up this month, including the "Thomson Reuters Partner Webinar: Westlaw Precision: The Next Evolution in Legal Research," Tuesday, October 18 at 2:00 p.m. (CDT). 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 OPPORTUNITY

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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AALL NEW VOICES / SUBMISSIONS DUE OCTOBER 14

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 are 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 Friday, October 14, 2022.

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 PLLIP-SIS October 18th webinar "Better Together: Working with Contractors and Consultants as a Team."

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