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2023 AALL AWARD NOMINATIONS ARE DUE ON WEDNESDAY

Wednesday, March 1 is your last chance to submit your recommendations for the [2023 AALL Awards](#). AALL Awards recognize individuals who have made a lasting impact on the profession. Recipients are selected by the committees/award juries and will be recognized this summer at the [2023 AALL Annual Meeting & Conference](#) in Boston. Applications may be found on the individual award pages.

SUBMIT YOUR
RECOMMENDATIONS

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AALL UPDATES

AALL 2023-2024 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL STARTS WEDNESDAY

Renewal notices will be sent out via email on March 1 with instructions on how to access your invoice and renew online. Be part of the only association dedicated to law librarians and legal information professionals. AALL benefits add up to **over \$2,500+ in value** for the year. Learn more about the [benefits of membership](#) and renew your membership early.

PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

NEW! FOUNDATIONS OF LEGAL RESEARCH SELF-PACED COURSE

More than 70 of your colleagues have registered for AALL's new self-paced course, "[Foundations of Legal Research](#)." During this 60-minute self-paced course, gain an understanding of legal information resources and research methods, including the processes and principles for navigating legal information successfully. Newer law librarians, seasoned law librarians who need a refresher, and anyone interested in legal research will find value in this course.

Discounts are available for **AALL student members (\$49)** as well as **nonmember students* (\$79)**. If you know any students or new hires within your organizations who would benefit from this course, please encourage them to register.

Cost: Members \$99 / Nonmembers \$149

LEARN MORE &
REGISTER

UPCOMING COFFEE CHATS & WEBINARS

AALL has several exciting coffee chats and webinars coming up next month, including the **Virtual Coffee Chat: "Learn More About the 2023 George A. Strait Scholarship & Fellowship,"** March 7 from 3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. (CST). 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 elearning@aall.org. If you have any ideas or topics for a future coffee chat, please email Ashley Laverty at alaverty@aall.org.

AALL GRANTS & SCHOLARSHIPS

APPLY FOR AN ANNUAL MEETING GRANT BY APRIL 1

The **2023 Annual Meeting & Conference** is *the conference for law librarians and legal information professionals, taking place July 15-18 in Boston*. To help get you there, AALL provides resources like the [Annual Meeting grants](#), which fund your registration for the Annual Meeting. Additionally, special interest sections and some chapters [provide grant opportunities](#) for their members. With Annual Meeting registration opening soon, now is the time to apply and secure your funding.

APPLY FOR AN AALL SCHOLARSHIP OR SHARE WITH A FRIEND OR COLLEAGUE

AALL is committed to providing opportunities for your professional growth. Each year, the **Association awards thousands of dollars in scholarships** to law school and library school students as well as to AALL members. The following scholarships are now open for applications:

- AALL Scholarships
- LexisNexis John R. Johnson Memorial Scholarship
- George A. Strait Minority Scholarship & Fellowship
- Marcia J. Koslov Scholarship

The deadline for applications is April 1. For additional questions, please contact AALL at membership@aall.org.

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AALLNET MONTHLY MEMBER PROFILE

In this month's member profile, [Liz Graham](#), executive director of the Thurgood Marshall Law Library at the University of Maryland, Francis King Carey School of Law, shares her favorite AALL memory and what she finds most valuable as a member.

See more [AALLNET Monthly Member Profiles](#) and view *AALL Spectrum Member* and *Leader Profiles* on AALLNET.

MEMORIAL

Duncan E. Alford served as associate dean and director of the law library and professor of law at the University of South Carolina (USC). Alford received his JD with Honors from the School of Law of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill where he served on the *North Carolina Law Review*. He attended the University of South Carolina College of Library and Information Science graduating with a MLIS in 2001. Prior to joining the faculty at USC, Alford served as the associate dean for library and information services and associate professor of law on the inaugural faculty of the Charlotte School of Law, in Charlotte, North Carolina. Alford joined the faculty of the University of South Carolina School of Law in April 2007 as associate dean and director of the law library and associate professor of law and became a full professor in August 2012. He became an AALL member in June 1999, and served on the Research Committee from 2004-2006 and was a member of the Index to Foreign Legal Periodicals Committee from 2000-



2003. He was also a member of the Academic Law Librarians Special Interest Section (SIS) and the Foreign, Comparative & International SIS. He passed away February 18, 2023.

COMMUNITY CORNER

MEMBER NEWS

- [Elaine Tornés Blanco](#) was selected as the [AALL Diversity & Inclusion February Librarian of the Month](#).

AALL wants to know what's happening within your specialized groups. If your caucus, chapter, or SIS has any news items, upcoming events, or would like to highlight members' accomplishments, please contact [Heather Haemker](#), AALL director of marketing & communications.

UPCOMING SIS WEBINAR

Several of AALL's special interest sections (SISs) feature webinars each 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 tomorrow's **February 28 PEGA-SIS Webinar "Live Interview Series: So, You Wanna Be an Ally?"**

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