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**UPCOMING COFFEE CHATS & WEBINARS**

AALL has several exciting coffee chats and webinars coming up this month, including **Thursday's Virtual Coffee Chat "Elevator Pitches - Let's See What You've Got!"** from 3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. (CDT). 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**
LEXISNEXIS RESEARCH GRANT APPLICATIONS DUE MAY 1

The AALL LexisNexis Research Grant Jury is accepting grant applications for the next deadline of Monday, May 1.

If you have a research project that may benefit from this grant, review the complete guidelines and apply. As the guidelines state, the research should be completed within one year and the final product published.

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MEMBER NEWS

- Theodore (Ted) A. Potter will retire from law librarianship on June 2, 2023, after 40+ years of service. Potter began his career at the Taggart Law Library at Ohio Northern University, moved to the University of Toledo, where he worked in acquisitions and then public services while earning his JD, before moving to Marquette University where he developed his passion for teaching, before finishing his career at the University of Iowa. His fondest memories involve spending time with friends and colleagues at the many regional and national law librarian conferences, where he could have fun learning new things to take back home, while exploring fun cities.

- Amreet Sandhu, joined the Sacramento County Public Law Library as its Outreach & Training Librarian. She brings more than two decades of experience in law, policy, advocacy, and library fields.

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.

MEMORIAL

Anne Louise Leather, was a research librarian at Jones Day for 34 years in their Dallas office. She also served as a librarian for Southern Methodist University and Standard Oil. Leather became a member of AALL in 1989 and was a member of the Dallas Association of Law Libraries and the Private Law Librarians & Information Professionals Special Interest Section. She received her MLS from Texas Woman’s University in 1978. She passed away February 12, 2023.

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COMMUNITY CORNER

SHARE YOUR NEWS

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 "BLL-SIS Webinar: Pay Equity for Law Librarians."