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AALL 2023 ATTENDEE SURVEY

If you attended AALL 2023, [please take a few moments to respond to the following survey](#) about your Conference experience. All responses are submitted anonymously; unattributed comments may be used in conference promotions. The results of this survey will be used to improve future AALL meetings and programs.

The survey will close on Friday, August 18. Thank you for your feedback.

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SURVEY**

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CONELL CLASS OF 2023 / 103 ATTENDEES

A record 103 law librarians attended the [Conference of Newer Law Librarians \(CONELL\)](#) during the 2023 AALL Annual Meeting in Boston. Attendees had the opportunity to learn about the benefits of mentorship as well as different career paths during the leadership panel, which featured Immediate Past President [Beth Adelman](#) (Charles B. Sears Law Library, University at Buffalo School of Law), [Alexandra Bernson](#) (Brockton Law Library), [Zanada Joyner](#) (Thurgood Marshall Law Library, University of Maryland), and [Michelle Trovillo](#) (Baker & Hostetler LLP). During the Speed Networking, attendees had the opportunity to learn various ways to be involved with AALL before heading into the Marketplace, where they learned more about AALL's chapters, caucuses, committees, and special interest sections. The day finished with a fun Duck Tour through our beautiful host city!



PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

AALL SELF-PACED COURSES / DEVELOP CRITICAL SKILLS

Legal research, strategic thinking, and budgeting are all essential skills every law librarian and legal information professional needs. [AALL's three self-paced courses](#) will help you master the fundamentals of these skills. "[Introduction to Law Library Budgets](#)" covers the concepts of managing a law library budget, and "[Strategic Thinking for Law Librarians](#)" will help you understand the essentials of strategic thinking and project implementation success. Our newest course "[Foundations of Legal Research](#)" will provide you with the right tools needed to approach legal research.

Cost for each course: Members \$99 / Nonmembers \$149 *Discounts are available for AALL student members (\$49) as well as nonmember students* (\$79) for the "Foundation of Legal Research" course

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AALL MEMBER BENEFIT / FREE CALI LESSONS

Did you know that AALL members have [free access to the full set of online lessons](#) hosted by the [Center for Computer-Assisted Legal Instruction \(CALI\)](#)? Written by expert law professors and law librarians, CALI lessons are computer-based, interactive tutorials that cover narrow topics of law.

- over 600 lessons covering 32 legal subject areas
- ideal as a refresher or as an introduction to a new legal subject
- beneficial for law librarians in both academic and non-academic settings

AALL encourages all members to use this valuable resource offered to you as a member benefit.

LEADER IN YOU

As a special edition of the Leader In You section, select members from the Leadership Development Committee shared some of their own insights on leadership. The regular column featuring an AALL member will be back next month.

Christopher Anderson

Always be happy for a team member when they move on to an exciting new opportunity at another institution. While it may initially provide some difficulty, it's a sign that you are fostering a positive working environment where team members are experiencing professional growth. It's also just great to see people you care about succeed and move on to new and rewarding challenges.

Allison Reeve Davis

Demonstrate the behavior you want to see on your team—take breaks, include all voices, produce high quality work, have fun, and encourage collaboration. Be an example of the qualities you want to see in your team members.

Holly Riccio

I have always remembered a story Greg Lambert told that ended in someone asking him: "Why would you want to limit yourself to that?" Whether I am thinking about my own leadership journey or that of my team, I always try to keep these words top of mind and take action accordingly—seek out stretch assignments, have confidence, and always think big.

Ariel Scotese

One piece of leadership advice that guides me is to lead with humility, kindness, and gratitude. Every position on my team as well as outside my team is vital to the success of the organization, and everyone has something meaningful to contribute.

Jenny Silbiger

I think about the work of Dr. Brené Brown around embracing imperfection in leadership roles, because it makes space for all of us to strive for achievement and excellence in a meaningful way, rather than in pursuit of an unattainable "perfection" goal. With that in mind, leadership is looking for ways to "get it right" rather than "being right"—and we can do that when we cultivate trust and belonging within our working groups and organizations.

Leanna Simon

I always abide by Tina Fey's quote: "Say yes and you'll figure it out afterwards." Oftentimes, we decline new opportunities in our career for fear that we are not capable. This quote inspires me to say "yes" and trust in myself and move forward trusting the process that I will learn valuable lessons along the way.

Latia Ward

I aim to stay up to date with leadership podcasts and articles, and I came across this quotation attributed to Simon Sinek not too long ago. It's something I find meaningful as I reflect on the qualities of leaders: "Leadership is not about being in charge. Leadership is about taking care of those in your charge."

Do you know a great leader? Recommend a leader for us to spotlight in the Leader in You column. Send your recommendation with a brief description of why you think they are a great leader to [Jenny Silbiger](#), chair of the Leadership Development Committee.

ON-DEMAND LEARNING

UPCOMING COFFEE CHATS & WEBINARS

AALL has several exciting coffee chats and webinars coming up this summer, including the next Tuesday's [Virtual Coffee Chat: AALL/LexisNexis Call for Papers: The Librarian as Author](#) 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 elarning@aall.org. If you have any ideas or topics for a future coffee chat, please email Ashley Laverty at alaverty@aall.org.

WEBINARS NOW AVAILABLE ON-DEMAND

- [Advocating the Value of the Law Library to Non-Librarian Stakeholders](#)
- [Thomson Reuters Partner Webinar: Generative AI and ChatGPT in the Law: What Does the Future Hold?](#)
- [LexisNexis Partner Webinar: Navigating the AI Landscape: What to Know Now About Generative AI and Lexis+ AI for the Legal Industry](#)

PICK OF THE MONTH

Selected by AALL's Continuing Professional Education Committee

LEADING REMOTE TEAMS

While some argue we are “post-COVID” (is that even possible) the reality of remote work remains extremely on-topic. This 2022 Annual Meeting recording focuses on the different types of remote and hybrid teams and discusses ways to ensure success for teams of all types. As new law librarians continue to want flexible work arrangements, we would all be wise to stay up to date on the best ways to manage remote and hybrid teams and make them work for the benefits of our libraries and our patrons.

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