

President's Message

Steven Weber, Quarles & Brady



Planning for the fourth quarterly business meeting is well underway, which means the end is near for the 2015-16 LLAW term and my tenure as president. It takes a tremendous amount of dedication from the Board of Directors,

committee members, and volunteers to keep LLAW running smoothly and effectively each year. My sincerest thanks go out to all of the members who contributed their time and energy to ensure another successful year.

LLAW has two critical volunteer needs for the upcoming 2016-17 term. The Website Committee needs an individual who can serve as web editor. We must fill this position in order to maintain the LLAW website. To be direct, our web presence becomes static without an editor. No online registration for quarterly programs. No updates to the newsletter archive. No access to the current membership roster. I strongly encourage interested members to contact Sarah Frets.

The Special Committee on Bylaws seeks four to five members to review the current LLAW bylaws, draft proposed changes, and submit changes to membership. The process to revise the bylaws requires the committee to complete most of its work between May and September. The scope of the project depends on the number of volunteers. Four to five volunteers allows LLAW to undertake a comprehensive review of its bylaws, while one to two volunteers addresses only the bylaw revisions mandated by AALL. Please contact me, Steve Weber, if you are interested in learning more about the committee.

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As I conclude, I want to acknowledge the lack of diversity in my messages this year. Everyone is likely tired of my constant calls for volunteers. Unfortunately, the reality of the situation is that LLAW--like many professional organizations--cannot continue to provide a superior level of support for its members without more volunteers. There are a myriad of reasons for this decline in service; they are not unique to LLAW. My hope is that this shortage of volunteers prompts us as LLAW members to begin a conversation about where we want the organization to go over the next 5, 10, 15 years. This is vital to ensure LLAW continues to support and represent the law librarian community of Wisconsin.

Member News

Kris Turner, UW Madison, has an article published on the RIPS Law Librarian blog, [Presenting...five alternatives to PowerPoint](#)

Diane Duffey, Habush Habush & Rottier, presented "Badgerlink for Lawyers and Legal Professionals," at the Milwaukee Public Library Central Branch on February 11, 2016

Jenny Zook, UW Madison, published [Legal Research: Tax Law Resources and Mobile Apps](#) in the March 2, 2016 issue of InsideTrack



**Want to Attend the AALL Annual Meeting?
Apply for a LLAW Grant!**

Two grants available

- One for \$1000 (registration & expenses)
- One for free registration

Chicago

July 16-19, 2016

Application available at:
<http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/llaw/membership/grants.html>
Deadline: March 25, 2016

Questions?
Contact LLAW Grants Chair
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The graphic features a stylized landscape with green hills, trees, and a city skyline. A winding path leads from the foreground towards a sign that says 'Chicago'. A person silhouette is walking along the path. A red circle contains the dates 'July 16-19, 2016'. The text is arranged in a clear, readable layout with bold headings and bullet points.

AALL Announcements

AALL2go Pick of the Month: [Distance Learning: The New Normal for Librarians](#)

Distance learning has the potential to radically change the delivery of legal education. Today, most law schools are experimenting with some type of distance learning and law librarians are on the forefront of both teaching and supporting online programs. Get advice on partnering with faculty, supporting students, and teaching online research sessions. During the webinar Rebecca Trammell, law library director and professor of law at Stetson University College of Law, discusses a wide variety of distance learning tools and provides advice on how to get started with distance education



LLAW Meeting Minutes and Reports

Meeting minutes are available in PDF by clicking the links below.

- [2015-2016 Third Quarterly Board of Directors Meeting, February 5, 2016, Madison and Milwaukee offices of Quarles & Brady](#)
- [2015-2016 Third Quarterly General Business Meeting, February 23, 2016, Madison and Milwaukee offices of Michael Best & Friedrich](#)

Events Calendar

2016

SLA Annual Meetings

June 12-14, 2016 Philadelphia, PA

AALL Annual Meetings

July 16-19, 2016 Chicago, IL

**The deadline for submitting
articles for the next**

LLAW BRIEFS

is

June 1, 2016

**Submit articles to
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