

In Session:

CALL/ACBD's Newsletter March 2017

From the Executive Board

Renew your CALL/ACBD membership!

Thank you for your dedication in making CALL/ACBD a vibrant network of legal information professionals! We encourage you to continue to grow, learn and work with the CALL/ACBD network of volunteers, committees and SIGs, and see what you can accomplish in 2017.

The Canadian Association of Law Libraries is committed to promoting the networking, professional development and career growth of all law library professionals in Canada, no matter where they work. Your annual membership renewal is an essential part of our continued success!

Why Renew?

Because we are a vibrant, sharing community – by renewing, you maintain your access to our network of hundreds of colleagues across Canada. Because you can make a difference – by renewing, you can help shape the future of our profession through volunteer opportunities on committees and in special interest groups.

How to Renew?

To renew or update your membership, log in to your profile <u>here</u> with your email and password and follow the instructions there. Don't know your password? Reset it <u>here</u>.

For any membership inquiries, please contact National Office at membership@callacbd.ca.

Resolution 2016/01: Petition to CanLII

As a follow up to the resolution that was passed at the 2016 AGM, a letter from the President was drafted and sent to CanLII requesting the formation of a CanLII Advisory Board that is comprised of CALL/ACBD members. The letter sent has been made available on the <u>Vendor Liaison Committee page</u> (viewable by members only). We look forward to a response by CanLII; the VLC have been designated to coordinate the work with CanLII.

New Membership in the Canadian Federation of Library Associations

CALL/ACBD has now joined the new <u>Canadian Federation of Library Associations</u> at the one vote level, contributing \$1,000 per year towards membership. This has been taken from our operating budget rather than being tied to CALL/ACBD membership fees. We were welcomed to CFLA's first Annual General Meeting on February 1st as a voting member with President Connie Crosby attending on our behalf.

A wide-ranging report was received by the Association from its Truth & Reconciliation Committee which completed its mandate in 3 short months. Following the AGM, the CFLA Board voted to endorse the recommendation to form a standing Committee on Indigenous Matters to build on the work by the ad hoc Committee.

The Copyright Committee also submitted an initial report and revised its mandate. They are looking to work with the federal government on its upcoming review of Canadian copyright legislation.

We have been encouraged to get involved! As part of our membership, we may contribute up to 3 people to sit on each of these committees. The committees are quite large and include several sub-committees working on a range of aspects within each area of advocacy. If you are interested in getting involved on behalf of CALL/ACBD, please contact Connie Crosby at connie@crosbygroup.ca.

More information about the CFLA AGM is available here.

CALL Members Publishing

Have you published a book or book chapter? We want to highlight it on the CALL website! Please send the full citation for the book as well as links to a description of it to: office@callacbd.ca

Next Board Meeting

This will take place on **March 29th from 1:00 - 3:00 pm EST**. Members are invited to attend. Please contact National Office for details: office@callacbd.ca. An agenda will be posted on the website in advance. Agendas and minutes are all available on the website in the members section under "Member Resources."

Events



CALL/ACBD 2017 Conference

Celebrate Our History | Create Our Future May 7 - 10, 2017 | Ottawa, ON

Registration Now Open! Click here to register now.

Committee & SIG News

Membership Development Committee

The CALL Mentorship Program is now open! Mentorship offers many benefits: the sharing of knowledge and experience, a chance to work through real life issues/challenges, and developing friendships & broadening one's network just to name a few.

Interested mentees can find more information about the program and sign up on the <u>CALL website</u>. The deadline for applications is March 30.

Returning mentors do not need to submit a new application. If you're interested in being a mentor for the first time, please apply on the CALL website.

Any questions about the program can be directed to Helen Mok at hmok@parlee.com or 403-294-7059.

Scholarships & Awards Committee

Committee vacancy

Do you like spending money? Are you interested in supporting learning goals and recognizing the accomplishments of others? Then the Scholarships and Awards Committee is for you!

We will have a vacancy on the committee effective after our AGM. Preference will be given to an applicant with strong French language skills. The committee is responsible for the administration of The Denis Marshall, James D. Lang, Janine Miller, Gisèle Laprise, Michael Silverstein, and Diana M. Priestly awards, as well as the Education Reserve Fund Grant. Our work is largely conducted through periodic teleconferences and e-mails, with a face-to-face meeting at the annual conference.

Additional information about the committee can be obtained from its members: Dolores Noga, Ron Charest, Cynthia Simpson and Wendy Reynolds (Chair). Expressions of interest in joining this committee should be communicated to Erica Anderson (Executive Liaison).

Please note the upcoming deadlines for the following awards and scholarships:

- Denis Marshall Memorial Award (applications close Mar. 31)
- <u>James D. Lang Memorial Scholarship</u> (applications close Mar. 15)

Committee to Promote Research

The Committee to Promote Research and CALL/ACBD invite members to apply for the **CALL/ACBD Research Grant**. The application deadline is **March 15**, **2017**.

The CALL/ACBD Research Grant was established in 1996 to provide members with financial assistance to carry out research in areas of interest to members and to the association. The Committee to Promote Research manages the grant process, receiving and evaluating applications and making recommendations to the Executive Board for award

of the Research Grant. Please refer to our Committee site for a copy of the <u>application form</u> and to view our collection of past research projects. Click <u>here</u> to view research grant application tips.

The Committee is excited to receive proposals and we encourage members to apply or to contact us to discuss a project you are interested in. Members who previously applied but were not awarded funding are welcome to reapply.

Invitation to AALL 2017 Conference

Registration for the next American Association of Law Libraries Conference in Austin, Texas, July 15-18, 2017 is now open. CALL/ACBD members are invited to register at the AALL Member Discount rate here. When registering online as a non-member of AALL, CALL members will need to enter the code 88888 in the 'Promotional Code for Partner Associations' box, which will allow us to receive the AALL Member Discount rate. If registering by fax or mail, indicate that you have a "sister" organization membership rate (CALL) when completing the form. Please see the letter for more information.



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