

In Session:

CALL/ACBD's Newsletter

February 2019

From the Executive Board

CALL/ACBD - TALL Salary Survey

Members of the CALL/ACBD – TALL Salary Survey Committee are busy crunching the data on the salary survey that was conducted this past fall. Stay tuned - the final report will be available in the spring.

SCC Intervention

In the December issue of *In Session*, we shared the good news that CALL/ACBD had been granted intervenor status in the case of *Keatley Surveying Ltd. v Teranet Inc.*, 2017 ONCA 748. We were to present a short oral argument that was tentatively set for February 18, 2019. That date has changed. The hearing is now scheduled for **March 29, 2019**. We'll keep you posted!

CALL/ACBD Membership Renewals: Grace Period Ends February 28

To renew or update your membership, [log in to your profile here](#) with your email and password and follow the instructions there. Don't know your password? [Reset it here](#). The grace period for logging into the membership portal ends on **February 28, 2019**. After this date, you will no longer be able to renew your membership online.

For any membership inquiries, please contact [National Office](#).

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.

Next CALL/ACBD Executive Board Meeting

Our next Board meeting will take place on **Tuesday, February 12 from 1:00 - 3:00 PM ET**. Members are invited to attend. Please contact [National Office](#) for details. 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 2019 | May 26 – 29, 2019
Get Informed | Be Inspired | Innovate
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Registration for the CALL 2019 Conference is now open! Head over to the [website](#) to register and stay tuned for exciting updates and volunteer opportunities.

Eunice Beeson Memorial Travel Fund

Would you like to go to the 2019 annual conference but you don't have sponsorship? This fund was established to assist members of CALL/ACBD who wish to attend the Annual Meeting, but, for financial reasons, are unable to do so. Bursaries are provided to cover travel expenses and/or accommodation. The deadline for applications is **March 8, 2019**. [Click here](#) for an application.

Committee & SIG News

Canadian Abridgment Editorial Advisory Board – Product Note

The Canadian Abridgment classification system no longer applies only to case law. Thomson Reuters has expanded it to include all areas of Canadian law. One way to take advantage of this extended reach is to find the "Browse Legal Topics" link among the "Finding Tools" on the WestlawNext Canada homepage. The overall taxonomy is the same as in the Abridgment, but there are additional headings.

For example, in Contracts, the Abridgment classification begins with *Part I – Nature of Contract*, and ends with *Part XVII – Statute of Frauds*. Browse Legal Topics includes all of the same, with three additional non-litigation-related topics, ending with *XX – Advertising and Marketing Contracts*.

When you click on a heading you get much more than case law digests. Since Thomson Reuters has classified all of their holdings with the Abridgment taxonomy, in addition to cases you get CED articles, legal memoranda, texts,

annotations, ProView titles, and Practical Law Resources.

The Browse Legal Topics headings can also be searched.

The Canadian Abridgment, for those who don't know, is a comprehensive collection of digests of all reported cases in Canada, originally published by Carswell, and now made available online by Thomson Reuters as a key component of WestlawNext Canada.

The Canadian Abridgment Editorial Advisory Board is always looking for the feedback of CALL/ACBD members on Thomson Reuters' product line. Current members of the Board are Stephen Thiele (Chair), [Jean-Sébastien Danis](#), [Ken Fox](#), [Melanie Bueckert](#), [Michèle LeBlanc](#), Nathalie Leonard and Susannah Tredwell.

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, 2019**.

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. Please refer to our Committee site for a copy of the [application form](#) and to view our collection of past research projects. [Click here](#) 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.

Co-Chairs, CALL/ACBD Committee to Promote Research:

[Susan Barker](#) & [Elizabeth Bruton](#)

Hugh Lawford Award for Excellence in Legal Publishing

Each year, CALL/ACBD honours a publisher (whether for profit or not-for-profit, corporate or non-corporate) which has demonstrated excellence by publishing a work, series or electronic product that makes a significant contribution to legal research and scholarship. Nominations can be submitted to [Connie Crosby](#), Past President, Chair of the Hugh Lawford Award Committee, by **February 15, 2019**. For more information, please [click here](#).

Scholarships & Awards Committee

It is time to start thinking about your colleagues and whom you would like to nominate for the [Denis Marshall Memorial Award for Excellence in Law Librarianship](#). The Marshall Award is bestowed on a current member of CALL/ACBD who has shown outstanding dedication to the profession of law librarianship. Applications are requested by **April 1, 2019**.

Applications are also open for:

- [Michael Silverstein Prize](#)
- [Gisèle Laprise Prize](#)
- [Education Reserve Fund](#)

The three of these each have an application deadline of **April 1, 2019** and each offers an opportunity to consider

yourself as well as a colleague.

CALL/ACBD offers its members a number of significant awards and is fortunate to include many deserving recipients among its members. Please do not hesitate to submit an application.

Membership Development Committee

Mentorship Program

To coincide with member renewals, the [mentorship program application is now OPEN](#). We will begin accepting applications **February 4 - March 22** for the 2019-2020 mentorship in-take. The program runs from May – May calendar year.

Returning mentors do not need to submit a new application but may choose to do so to update their interest and expertise.

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. Whether you're a student looking for information about being a law librarian, an existing professional looking for some advice and coaching, or a seasoned professional looking to give back to the profession, the mentorship program is a great opportunity for members to connect, share, learn, and grow. Connecting can be in-person meeting over a coffee, or telephone/Skype to talk about a topic of interest or to assist with career advice.

This month's topic of interest is "[How to Make Difficult Decisions Without Regret](#)" by Brenda Barbosa at Inc.com. Do you spend endless amount of time and energy weighing your options? You could be a maximizer! Discuss strategies on decision making with your mentor/mentee!

Member Profiles

Check out the last blog post [Five Questions With...](#) Jacob Ericson, Legal Information Specialist Stewart McKelvey.

The Membership Development Committee is interested in continuing to produce *project profiles* for the CALL blog for **March 2019**. The idea is to highlight a project or initiative that CALL members have completed or are working on – it could be from a Lightning Talk at a CALL conference or local association, presentation/training initiative for staff, etc. Looking forward to hearing from you!

Send your ideas to [Stef Alexandru](#), Member and Project Profiles Coordinator.

Private Law Library SIG

At last year's business meeting in Halifax, we heard that Private Law Library SIG members want to connect more quickly and easily across the group. We're happy to announce that PLL-SIG now has a Slack channel to facilitate these discussions! Members can use this tool to read and contribute to discussions on topics of interest, inspire PD sessions, or simply connect with other colleagues working in private law libraries. Group members should keep an eye out for an invitation to join the channel in the coming days. Others interested in joining can request an invitation by contacting [Carolyn](#) or [Rebecca](#).

Professional Development Committee

About Us

The Professional Development Committee (PDC) is responsible for ascertaining the continuing professional development needs of CALL/ACBD members across Canada. The PDC assists with oversight of continuing education programs and surveys the membership to identify knowledge and skills necessary for professional excellence.

Current Needs

1. The PDC is always looking for new talent. Expressions of interest may be sent to the Committee Chair, [Annette Demers](#);
2. All Committees and SIGs are invited to send along any ideas for future programming by filling in this [survey](#);
3. All court house librarians are encouraged to remind your local practitioners of the upcoming CALL webinars and other programming; such programming can be used to fulfill lawyer CPD requirements in some jurisdictions;
4. Do you have an idea for CALL programming that you would like to see offered? If so, please fill in this very short [survey](#).

Upcoming Events

Stay tuned for details coming soon on the next CALL/ACBD webinar!

Other Offerings

Advanced Legal Research videos

CALL members are invited to contact [National Office](#) to obtain access to the Advanced Legal Research video series (personal use only) for a nominal fee.

New! Discounted Access to Lesley Ellen Harris' Copyright Courses

We are delighted to announce that Lesley Ellen Harris has generously offered to give discounted rates on some of her copyright course offerings!

See full listing [here](#).

Discounted rates on the following courses:

- Canadian Copyright Law eTutorial – 10% discount
- Developing a Copyright Policy or Guidelines – 10% discount
- Please contact [Annette Demers](#) to obtain the discount code and registration link for these courses.

Announcements

Western University, MLIS Summer 2019 Co-Op

Following the start of the new year, it also means that it's time for us to start preparing for our upcoming summer 2019 co-op work term. [Click here](#) to view the timeline for the summer 2019 co-op process.

Returning Employers with Career Central Accounts

Already have an employer account? Please [click here](#) to login and **a)** submit a new job posting or **b)** update your previous posting(s). Once the "new" / "revised" posting has been submitted and approved, it will go live on the co-op job board (starting February 1) for the preferred posting duration.

New to Career Central?

Please complete our [employer application form](#) and submit a co-op job posting to the co-op office (including details about the placement such as duties, skills required, pay rate, contact person to whom the students should address their applications). All new positions will go through an approval process prior to posting. Once approved, I will create an employer account for you on our Career Central site. This site has been designed to centralize and streamline the administrative elements of our co-op process.



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