

# In Session:

## CALL/ACBD's Newsletter

### November 2019

#### From the Executive Board

#### From the President's Desk

The CALL/ACBD Executive Board in-person fall meeting is coming up and we are excited to work on some long-term planning. The board is grateful for all of the reports from our committees and SIGs that help in this endeavor. As with many CALL Members, this is also budget season for CALL. We will be working hard to keep our finances in good shape while also ensuring that we serve you with the membership benefits that you enjoy. As always, your input and feedback are welcome.

November is also a great time to ensure your contact information in the membership directory is up to date.

Happy November 1 everyone,

Shaunna

#### Next CALL/ACBD Executive Board Meeting

Our next Board meeting will take place from **November 9 -11, 2019, at the University of Toronto starting at 9:00 am EST**. 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](#)."

## Announcements

### CALL/ACBD Membership Renewals - January 1, 2019

CALL/ACBD annual memberships are due for renewal on January 1, 2019. 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 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 (SIGS)

To renew or update your membership, log in to your profile [here](#) and follow the suggested actions on the profile screen. If you've forgotten your password, you can reset it [here](#). Contact [National Office](#) if you have any questions about your CALL/ACBD membership.

### 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) who 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 [Ann Marie Melvie](#), Past President and Chair of the Hugh Lawford Award Committee, before **February 15, 2020**. Save the date! For more information, please [click here](#).

## Events

CALL|ACBD

**HAMILTON 2020**  
May 24 - 27 mai



Revival | Rebirth | Re-invention  
Renouveau | Renaissance | Réinvention

### **CALL/ACBD 2020 Conference**

The Conference Planning Committee is very excited to welcome everyone to Hamilton next May for the CALL/ACBD 2020 Conference! The conference will be held at the Hamilton Convention Centre and Sheraton Hotel from May 24<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>. The theme for the conference is Revival - Rebirth - Re-Invention.

Hope to see you there!

### **Committee & SIG News**

#### **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, 2020**.

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, tips for applying for the grant, and to view our collection of past research projects.

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: [Elizabeth Bruton](#) & [Michelle LaPorte](#)

## 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 [Emily Benton](#), PDC Chair
2. All Committees and SIGs are invited to send along any ideas for future programming by filling in our survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JN7WX7Q>
3. All court house librarians are encouraged to remind your local practitioners of 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: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JN7WX7Q>

### Upcoming Events

Please stay tuned for upcoming webinar announcements.

### 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!

The offerings are listed [here](#). The discount code is **2019CALL**.

## Private Law Libraries (PLL) SIG

The October Monthly Meet-up on the Private Law Libraries (PLL)-SIG Slack workspace was held on October 16th. Discussion was centred around knowledge management and librarianship. Attendees discussed tools and resources their firms use and how they integrate into systems and workflows, as well as challenges in developing and managing taxonomies and metadata. The discussion is now archived on the workspace for future reference for all workspace members.

### **Next Monthly Meet-up:**

- **Where:** #mm\_novchannel on the PLL-SIG Slack workspace
- **When:** Wednesday, November 13 @ 11am PDT/ 3pm ADT
- **Topic:** Budgeting tips & tricks

If you are interested in joining the PLL-SIG Slack Workspace, or if you would like to suggest a discussion topic, please contact Rebecca ([rit@kkbl.com](mailto:rit@kkbl.com)) or Michael ([michael.mcalpine@siskinds.com](mailto:michael.mcalpine@siskinds.com)).

## **Scholarship and Awards Committee**

### **Who Might You Nominate?**

CALL/ACBD has a number of scholarships and awards which are typically awarded on an annual basis. Check <https://www.callacbd.ca/Awards> for the listing and give some thought to who would be a worthy recipient. In addition to potentially nominating someone else, do not hesitate to apply for the [Education Reserve Fund Grant](#) if you are pursuing, or planning, your own professional education.

Notice of the [Diana M. Priestly Memorial Scholarship](#) will be sent to Canadian law and library schools in early December, but if you know of an eligible candidate now, do let them know. There is a bit of a process for some of these awards and it merits getting an early start.