

In Session:

CALL/ACBD's Newsletter December 2018

From the Executive Board

Good News from CALL/ACBD's Copyright Committee!

This past summer, CALL/ACBD's Copyright Committee approached the Executive Board with a request that our Association seek an intervention in the matter of *Keatley Surveying Ltd. v. Teranet Inc.*,2017 ONCA 748, a case that was heading to the Supreme Court. This case held that copyright in plans of survey deposited with Teranet belong to Ontario, by operation of section 12 of the Copyright Act.

This case is important to law librarians and the legal profession because it will be the first time the Supreme Court of Canada squarely considers s. 12 of the Copyright Act, the section dealing with Crown copyright.

Our association has always taken the position that Crown copyright should not or does not apply to primary legal materials. Over the years, we've addressed Parliament twice on the question of the interpretation of the section, and since 2009, we've made at least three consistent statements on the issue.

After careful consideration, the Board approved their request. On August 28, we sent a notice about this to the membership, inviting questions or comments. The motion to intervene was filed on October 23.

We were pleased to inform you that on November 14, CALL/ACBD was granted intervenor status! Our factum will be filed on or before December 18, and we will present a short oral argument, tentatively set for **February 18, 2019**.

Many thanks to Kim Nayyer and Ken Fox, Co-Chairs of the CALL/ACBD Copyright Committee, and Connie Crosby, Executive Board Liaison to the Copyright Committee, for their work on this.

For more details, see the message below from the Copyright Committee. You'll also hear more about this in the weeks to come!

CALL/ACBD - TALL Salary Survey

Thanks to everyone who filled out the salary survey that was distributed recently. The survey results will be available early in the New Year.

Executive Board November In-Person Meeting

Your CALL/ACBD Executive Board met on November 24 and 25 in Toronto. This in-person meeting is intended to communicate committee work and identify budget needs for the coming fiscal year. An initial budget draft was discussed and the excellent work of our committees and SIGs was reviewed. Thanks to everyone for their excellent reports and updates!



Next CALL/ACBD Executive Board Meeting

Our next Board meeting will take place on **Tuesday**, **December 11 from 1:00 - 3:00 PM ET.** Members are invited to attend. Please contact <u>National Office</u> 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, 2018

CALL/ACBD annual memberships are due for renewal on **January 1**, **2018**. 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.

To renew or update your membership, log in to your profile here and follow the suggested actions on your 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.

CALL/ACBD - Nomination Committee - Call for Expressions of Interest

2019 is an election year. Serving on the Executive Board of the Canadian Association of Law Libraries is stimulating, professionally and personally rewarding, and a fantastic way to give back to the community. We hope that you will give some thought to providing leadership to the association. The Nomination Committee, chaired by Past President Connie Crosby, has completed the first phase of nominations, as set out in the Association Bylaws.

This year we are soliciting members for nominations for the following CALL/ACBD Executive Board positions:

- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Member at Large (2 positions)

We are now ready to begin accepting petitions for further nominations. Bylaws, Article 8.2(a): "Further nominations may be made upon a petition endorsed by five members in good standing. Such petitions, accompanied by expressed acceptances of the nominees, must be filed with <u>Connie Crosby</u> no later than **January 10**, **2019**." We look forward to hearing from you!

Events

CALL/ACBD 2019 | May 26 – 29, 2019 Get Informed | Be Inspired | Innovate Renseignez-vous | Laissez-vous Inspirer | Innovez



The Conference Planning Committee is excited to announce one of our plenary speakers: Zena Applebaum.

Zena is the Director, Professional Firm & Corporate Segments with Thomson Reuters in Canada. In her role, Zena is responsible for client feedback and intelligence, market insights, and sales enablement. This session will demonstrate how information professionals can assist in managing increased client oversight and expectations, adoption and implementation of critical legal technology, fend off competition and assist with the rise of AFAs, succession planning, the changing demographic and other timely topics related to the changing legal landscape.

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**, **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 <u>application form</u> and to view our collection of past research projects. <u>Click 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.

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

Susan Barker & Elizabeth Bruton

Copyright Committee

CALL/ACBC's motion to intervene in the SCC case of *Keatley Surveying Ltd. v. Teranet Inc.* has been granted. This case deals with Crown copyright and is the first time the SCC will consider this concept. The committee, on behalf of CALL/ACBD, has obtained pro bono counsel to address the interpretation of the words "prepared or published by or under the direction or control of Her Majesty or any governmental department" in s.12 of the Copyright Act. The hearing is tentatively scheduled for **February 18, 2019**.

Copyright Committee members are collaborating on a 2000-word brief for the statutory review of the Copyright Act for the Standing Committee on Industry, Science and Technology. CALL/ACBD's position calls for a flexible and responsive approach to fair dealing, a statement addressing license provisions that would override library exceptions or fair dealing user rights, clarification about the scope of section 12, and clarification of the words "measures to prevent" in s.30.2(5.02) of the Interlibrary Loan exceptions. We will also address the implications of the copyright provisions in chapter 20 of the proposed USMCA.

The committee continues its involvement in the review as a member of the CFLA/FCAB Copyright Committee as well and will contribute to their briefs.

Diversity, Inclusion, and Decolonization Committee

Committee update:

Some proposers and the CPC for the 2019 conference have reached out to the DIDC Co-Chairs for thoughts on specific proposals. We are grateful for that communication and pleased to see DID issues being considered in speaker and program planning.

Committee members:

Members, please watch your inboxes for an availability poll to help us schedule an upcoming teleconference. We would like to note that all members should now have access to the DIDC Basecamp project site. If you can't access it, please contact one of the Co-Chairs -Kim Nayyer & Vicki Leung. Lastly, from the recent email discussion, we want to remind members to please sign up for a subcommittee or project (Note: the email has been posted to the Basecamp site for your reference).

The committee would also like to extend an invitation to any interested CALL/ACBD members who would still like to

join the DIDC. Please contact either of the committee Co-Chairs with your expression of interest, or to ask any questions before joining.

Resources on diversity and inclusion matters:

The committee would also like to share some interesting resources related to law libraries or the legal profession:

RIPS (Research, Instruction, and Patron Services) Law Librarian Blog
<u>Jim Crow's Last Stand in Louisiana and Reviewing Library Diversity and Inclusion Implementation</u>

Bryce Legal Career Council

<u>Diversity and Inclusion in the Legal Profession</u> (compilation of recent reports on diversity and inclusion within law firms, corporations, and the workplace at large)

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 <u>Connie Crosby</u>, Past President, Chair of the Hugh Lawford Award Committee, by **February 15**, **2019**. For more information, please <u>click here</u>.

Membership Development Committee

The Membership Development Committee is interested in continuing to produce *project profiles* for the CALL blog. 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.

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 <u>survey</u>;
- 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 <u>survey</u>.

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 <u>National Office</u> 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
- Certificate in Canadian Copyright Law 10% discount (Begins September 17, 2018; late registrations accepted until December 1, 2018)
- Please contact<u>Annette Demers</u> to obtain the discount code and registration link for these courses.

Website Editorial Board

The Website Editorial Board (WEB) encourages the publishing of new content on the CALL website. Committees and special interest groups (SIGs) are encouraged to make their content publicly available on the website. Members, committees, and SIGs are encouraged to contribute content to CALL's <u>blog</u> and social media channels: <u>Twitter</u>, <u>Facebook</u>, and <u>LinkedIn</u>. This could include articles, resources, announcements, or projects. Please contact <u>Alan Kilpatrick</u> or <u>Michel-Adrien Sheppard</u> to contribute.

The WEB would also like to draw your attention to the wealth of content available to members on the CALL website. Did you know that you can purchase past webinars through the <u>Webinars & Lectures</u> page? This page lists all past webinars from 2013 to the present. You can also find an excellent series of advanced legal research videos on this page that are available for purchase.



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