

From the Executive Board

From the President's Desk

THANK YOU.

Thank you for making our first Virtual Conference Series a success.

Breaking it down from the numbers: More than 400 individuals registered to attend a session during our virtual conference. More than half of registrants are not current members of CALL/ACBD! The Executive Board recognizes this opportunity and we have invited attendees to join our association. We are excited by the possibilities that the virtual conference series presents to CALL/ACBD.

A particular thank you to the 2020 Conference Planning Committee members whose work over the last 2 years lead to excellent conference programming: Members: Michael McAlpine (Co-Chair), Karen Sawatzky (Co-Chair), Kim Nayyer (Executive Liaison), Nora Ballentyne, Victoria Baronow, Meris James, Annette Demers, Vicki Jay Leung, Mary-Jo Mustoe, Matthew Renaud, Jennifer McNenly, Ashleigh Graden, Betty Dykstra, Robert Keshen, Martha Murphy, Louise Hamel, Stacey Zip.

CALL/ACBD Collaboration tools – We will be Zooming

Our June Board meeting included a discussion of the various collaboration technologies that CALL/ACBD supports. After significant discussion, we decided to continue with Zoom as our sole communication platform. Zoom will be used for webinars and meetings. Please contact National Office if you wish to book a Zoom Meeting with a group of members or if you wish to reserve Zoom for use as a conference calling tool. We will continue to use Basecamp for our document sharing and discussion needs.

Focus on Diversity, Inclusion and Decolonization

I am delighted by the work that our DIDC is doing. Please review the events section of this newsletter for an opportunity to participate in the diversity discussion in a meaningful way. Please check out the Committees Page to read and add to the section: Learn and share: A living list of resources and action opportunities. Actions on diversity, inclusion and decolonization will help all of us deal with the emotions that surface as we process current events and also think about historical injustices.

Law Library Reopening Guide

I am delighted to report that Matthew Renaud has agreed to lead a group of volunteers who will focus on collecting, reconstituting and disseminating guidance for Law Library reopening. If you would like to contribute information to support this work, please connect Matt via matthew.renaud@umanitoba.ca. Thank you to those who have already volunteered to work on this project.

AALL Virtual Conference – Member rates

Since this Newsletter circulates to CALL/ACBD Members, I want to remind you of the sister association member discount code that is available to CALL/ACBD Members who register for the [AALL Virtual Conference](#) July 13-17, 2020. Please use the Discount Code VIRTUALINT34 so that your fee is \$99.

CALL for Volunteers

Did you have so much fun attending our first virtual conference that programming content for this type delivery is top of mind? If yes, there are opportunities available. Please contact smireau@gmail.com to express your interest.

Stay well CALL-eagues.

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Sister Association Greetings

[Video greetings from AALL and BIALL](#)

Next CALL/ACBD Executive Board Meeting

Our next Board meeting will take place on July 30, 2020. 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

2020 Hugh Lawford Award for Excellence in Legal Publishing

The winner of this year's award is **Emond Publishing** for [LGBTQ2+ Law: Practice Issues and Analysis!](#)

The award was presented to Danann Hawes of Emond Publishing on Friday, June 5, during CALL/ACBD's virtual conference. By happy coincidence, it was awarded during Pride Month!

Congratulations to Emond Publishing!

Events

Diversity, Inclusion and Decolonization Committee (DIDC) meeting

Please join us on July 10th from 1:30-2:30pm for the next Diversity, Inclusion and Decolonization Committee (DIDC) meeting. We are opening our Committee meeting to the entire CALL/ACBD membership. We are looking for members of our professional community who would like to make a positive and active contribution towards Diversity & Inclusion and Decolonization issues. Our work aims to benefit our

Association and also provide ideas we can all adopt in our respective library and information services workplaces.

Below is our agenda:

- Introductions & committee update
- Ideas for Anti-Racism Curation list
- Discussion – your ideas & feedback for positive action

Supporting links:

[Open Letter to Membership: Black Lives Matter](#)

[Learn and share: A living list of resources and action opportunities \(under DIDC heading\)](#)

[DIDC Terms of Reference](#)

Save the date by saving the calendar entry below.

Sincerely

Yasmin & Vicki

[DIDC Meeting Details.ics](#)

Lightning Talks

Join us on Wednesday July 29 for our final instalment of the CALL/ACBD Virtual Conference Series- the Lightning Talks! You can expect multiple presentations as well as time for discussion. Complimentary registration to open next week! More details, including timing and speaker information will be available shortly.

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Committee & SIG News

Scholarship and Awards Committee

The Committee is pleased to report that this years [Diana M Priestly Memorial Scholarship](#) was presented to **Carole Aippersbach** who is in the Master of Library and Information Science program at the University of Alberta. Carole also holds an LLB from the University of Victoria. The Committee was particularly impressed by the variety of experience Carole obtained following her LL.B. encompassing public legal education, corporate counsel, and the private sector as well as a rich array of volunteer experience. Carole is motivated to work in law librarianship and, to assist with the provision of equitable and permanent public access to accurate legal information.

The 2020 [Michael Silverstein Prize](#) was awarded to **Nadine Hoffman**, the Natural Resources, Energy & Environmental Law Librarian and the History Librarian at the University of Calgary for her research work analyzing Indigenous subject headings and Arctic-specific Indigenous subject headings used in historical and contemporary case digests. Nadine's research was presented at the 2017 International Congress on Arctic

Social Sciences conference in Umea, Sweden. Her work is also a book chapter, "Controlled Vocabulary and Indigenous Terminology in Canadian Arctic Legal Research" in the soon to be published book *Library and Information Studies for Arctic Social Sciences and Humanities*. The Committee found Nadine's work to be of great value in enhancing understanding of legal taxonomy in an important and contemporary area. As noted by the nomination, Nadine's work is also timeless in that it will be useful long into the future.

There is one more opportunity to apply to the [James D. Lang Memorial Scholarship](#) for this calendar year. The scholarship is intended to support attendance at a continuing education program, whether it be a workshop, course, or certificate program, and whether it be virtual or otherwise. Applications close on August 1, 2020.

The Committee is thrilled to announce that Thomson Reuters has generously committed to create a new monetary award in memory of our colleague, the late Nancy McCormack. Nancy was a Thomson Reuters author, member of the Canadian Abridgment Editorial Advisory Board (2000 – 2008), and a member of the Thomson Reuters Law Library Advisory Board. Nancy made outstanding contributions to Canadian law librarianship and legal research and literature and was the recipient of the Michael Silverstein Prize in 2018. To many of us, Nancy was a valued mentor and friend. Terms of reference for the award are being developed with the Canadian Abridgment Editorial Board.

Other Offerings

Advanced Legal Research videos

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



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