

# **Virginia Association of Law Libraries**

# 2022-2023 Annual Report

### 2022-2023 Executive Board Members

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# **Chapter Activities and Achievements in 2022-2023**

- <u>Access to Justice</u> The Access to Justice Committee created and is finalizing *A Guide to Virginia Legal Information Resources General Legal and Self-Help Titles* for public librarians.
- <u>Grants</u> The Executive Board authorized two grants for VALL members attending the AALL Annual Meeting in Boston.
  - One \$500 grant was in the form of the Barbara Cumming Continuing Education Grant which is only available to firm librarians. This grant is named for a firm librarian who was a long-time VALL member.
  - One \$1000 grant was in the form of the VALL/AALL Annual Meeting Grant to assist any
     VALL member who wants to attend the AALL Annual Meeting.

## Meetings/Programs

- Luncheon at the 2022 AALL Conference Eleven VALL members met for lunch at Rioja on July 18th, during the 2022 AALL Annual Conference in Denver.
- o Fall Meeting
  - The Fall Meeting was our first hybrid meeting. Thirty-six in-person attendees met at the University of Richmond and fourteen members joined in virtually via Zoom. This was our first meeting held in-person since 2019.
  - Programs included:
    - Acts, Statutes, Codes, & Legislative History: Understanding the Unique <u>Aspects of Research in Virginia</u> presented by Lily Jones, Executive Director, Legislative Reference Center, Holly Trice, Registrar of Regulations, and Amigo Wade, Director of the Division of Legislative Services.
    - Managing Risk in Law Libraries: Processes and Tools presented by Jeff Reynolds, Regional Enforcement Manager at the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality, Senior Alpine Guide at S2 Mountaineering, & EMT at Tuckahoe Volunteer Rescue Squad.
    - MUSE Law Library Tour conducted by law librarians from the University of Richmond.

#### Spring Meeting

- Due to the positive response following the Fall Meeting, the Spring Meeting was also a hybrid meeting. Thirty-eight in-person attendees met at Maymont Estate in Richmond, Virginia, and eight virtual attendees participated via WebEx.
- Programs included:
  - <u>Rightsizing Library Services: A Panel Discussion</u> moderated by Chris Vassey, Manager, Customer Training, Thomson Reuters. Panelists included: Abigail Ross, Principal, RoFinco, LLC, Suzanne Corriell, Circuit Librarian, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit Library, and Andrew J. Christensen, Deputy Director of the Law Library, Washington and Lee School of Law.
  - <u>Recovering from Burnout</u> presented by Dr. Audrey Barbakoff, CEO of Co/Lab Capacity.
- <u>Publications</u> VALL members contributed articles to the *Virginia Lawyer*, the magazine of
  the Virginia State Bar, for its "Law Libraries" column. These articles covered legal research
  topics such as improvements in health law research, succession planning, updates on access
  to justice, and tips for researching Virginia statutes.
- Website The Website Committee resolved several technical issues and membership access levels issues.

Respectfully Submitted, Alison Mallonee, President 2023-2024