



## **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12**

**9:00-10:00am**

- **MALLCO Roundtable: Resource Sharing Beyond ILL**

**Description:** How can MALLCO grow our resource sharing? Join this open discussion with colleagues covering how to bolster our existing sharing programs and what other resources we can explore sharing. We've offered reciprocal ILL for many years, and have a LibGuide sharing program, but are looking to make wider use of those programs and expand what we share with each other. If you would like to submit questions or comments in advance of the session, please email Susan Urban at [mallcoexecutivedirector@gmail.com](mailto:mallcoexecutivedirector@gmail.com).

**11:00am-12:00pm**

- **MALLCO Roundtable: Law Practice Technology, Ideas and Best Practices**

**Description:** This roundtable is open to all to discuss how the library is implementing law practice technology into its resources and curriculum. We'll cover how schools are using legal tech assessment and certification programs, and different ways to structure law practice technology course offerings. Come ready to share your best practices and learn from others! If you would like to submit questions or comments in advance of the session, please email Susan Urban at [mallcoexecutivedirector@gmail.com](mailto:mallcoexecutivedirector@gmail.com).

## 1:00-1:45pm (Session 1)

- **Ask Your Doctor if Wexis is Right for You: Medical Researchers' Use of Legal Information**

*Benjamin Keele – Indiana University McKinney School of Law*

*Lee Little – Indiana University McKinney School of Law*

*Cecelia Vetter – Indiana University Ruth Lilly Medical Library*

**Description:** A considerable number of medical researchers have published studies on the legal risks of certain medical procedures and devices by searching in major legal research databases. In this session, we will discuss how crucial differences in medical and legal research make it difficult, if not impossible, for legal research databases to answer many research questions on legal risks. We will also offer suggestions for assessing these studies in your research and for assisting medical researchers seeking to quantify legal risks.

- **Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Roundtable**

*Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee*

**Description:** Join the new Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee to discuss important issues where DEI must be addressed in librarianship and legal information. Topics to discuss include bringing diverse librarians into the profession and ensuring diverse candidates can advance into leadership positions; decolonializing library collections and the catalog; and best practices for DEI training at your institution. At the end of the roundtable, the DEI Committee will be available to answer questions about the committee's work and to invite the membership to advise and suggest work you would like to see the committee embark on.

## 2:30-3:30pm (Session 2)

- **Unstoppable Today But What About Tomorrow?: Developing a Policy for Today's Law Library Collections and Tomorrow's Patrons**

*Jennifer Mart-Rice – University of Iowa College of Law*

*Steven Probst – University of Arkansas School of Law*

*Elisabeth Umpleby – University of Connecticut School of Law*

**Description:** Most patrons are not racing to the library to pull books off the shelves. What should guide libraries in developing their collections to better meet the needs of today's patrons, especially post-pandemic? This session will explore the best practices for selecting and deselecting materials with a discussion of how to modify or construct a Collection Development Policy to help in those endeavors. Attendees should leave with an understanding of how to guide their library through the process of reviewing their collections to ensure they meet the needs of today's researcher, especially as to the mix of print and electronic resources.

- **Open Educational Resources and Access to Information**

*Matt Timko – Northern Illinois University College of Law*

**Description:** Open Educational Resources (OER) have become vital for making college and law school more affordable. Beyond this important feature, digital OERs also allow for more accessibility to information for remote students, students with disabilities, and even students who prefer digital over print resources. This session will evaluate the current OER platforms and options, and discuss how these platforms aid, or in some instances hinder, accessibility to information.

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2022**

**9:00-10:00am (Session 3)**

- **Building on Our Momentum: Recruitment, Retention and the Future of Law Librarianship**

*Allison Reeve Davis – Littler Mendelson*

*Alexis Branham – BakerHostetler*

*Victoria Mantel – JD/MLIS Student, University of Missouri*

**Description:** The “Great Resignation” has come to law librarianship. Many managers have never seen the current level of shuffle in positions and institutions occurring among our colleagues. Between increasing demand and a dwindling field of applicants, difficulty finding qualified candidates has suggested an immediate need to address the state of our hiring pipeline. How can we welcome new colleagues, address barriers and re-evaluate hiring standards that may hinder diversity and the profession’s growth. We will explore the experience of students, new law librarians, and hiring managers; review current undertakings, and recommend further work to ensure the future strength of our profession.

- **Big Data in Law Libraries: Unstoppable or Untenable?**

*Susan Boland – University of Cincinnati College of Law*

**Description:** Has the pressure to collect and analyze patron information for assessment created a conflict between the library profession and the traditional values of librarians as guardians of privacy? Are we wolves in sheep's clothing? This program will highlight the challenges we face as we take a look at the dirty reality of Big Data and it will start a conversation about privacy and the data that we and/or our vendors are collecting.

## 11:00am-12:00pm (Session 4)

- **Connecting with the Post-Pandemic Patron**

*John D. Edwards – Drake University Law School*

*Jessie Wallace Burchfield – University of Arkansas at Little Rock School of Law*

*Richard Leiter – University of Nebraska College of Law*

*Carissa Vogel – University of Iowa College of Law*

**Description:** During the pandemic library patrons increasingly relied on materials that could only be accessed online. As libraries reopened that trend seemed to continue with library usage not returning to pre-pandemic levels. What can libraries do to reconnect with patrons and ensure they take advantage of the services the library offers? How should services, collections, and staffing adapt to this new normal?

## 1:00-1:45pm (Session 5)

- **Leading in Transition Roundtable**

*Therese Arado – Northern Illinois University College of Law*

**Description:** Transition, this describes our lives over the past three years and likely longer. Opportunities to lead arise in transition in formal and informal ways. This roundtable provides an opportunity for intentional leaders as well as those who found themselves in a leadership position by default to discuss the challenges, opportunities, success, and failures we have all encountered.

- **Algorithmic Bias in the Legal Profession**

*Darla Jackson – University of Tulsa College of Law*

**Description:** The lack of substantial government regulation of artificial intelligence creates an environment entailing risks for attorneys and clients utilizing AI tools. Despite technological competence requirements many in the legal profession would find it difficult to identify the risks associated with their own use of AI let alone the risk associated with the use of AI by clients. Come learn about initiatives for responsible AI governance. In this session participants will explore and discuss the status of AI regulation and whether reliance on certification programs will satisfy attorney ethical standards regarding technology competence.

## 2:30-3:30pm (Session 6)

- **MAALL Annual Business Meeting**

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2022**

**9:00-10:00am (Session 7)**

- **Being Virtually Unstoppable: Doing More With Less**

*John D. Edwards – Drake University Law School*

*Heidi Frostestad Kuehl – Northern Illinois University College of Law*

*Elana Olson – Marquette University Law School*

*Eric Young – University of South Dakota School of Law*

**Description:** In the past few years libraries have experienced a host of challenges, not the least of which has been the pandemic. Budgets have been cut, spaces have been reconfigured for other uses, positions have been realigned, and other adjustments have been made. Through it all some libraries were able to embrace those changes and reinvent aspects of their unit. What did they do to ensure success – to turn lemons into lemonade? What makes them a vibrant and indispensable part of their organizations?

- **Blockchain Law and Cryptocurrency: A Deep Source of Novel Legal Research**

*Benjamin Keele – Indiana University McKinney Law School*

*Jackie McCloud - Indiana University McKinney Law School*

**Description:** Blockchain technology and cryptocurrency have attracted popular attention and interesting legal questions. In a recent Advanced Legal Research course, we provided a simulation course built on blockchain legal issues. This session will briefly review blockchain technology and cryptocurrency and several recent legal events. We will also discuss how the research course taught students to conduct research in an uncertain and dynamic legal environment.

## 11:00am-12:00pm (Session 8)

- **Developing and Mentoring the New Law Librarian**

*Carissa Vogel – University of Iowa College of Law*

**Description:** Law librarianship offers many opportunities for a new librarian. What are the essential skills a new law librarian should have or develop to be successful? This session will focus on how to help ensure a new librarian receives the mentoring and skill development to further his or her career development.

- **AI: Friend or Foe to Law Libraries**

*Heidi Frostestad Kuehl – Northern Illinois University College of Law*  
*Therese A. Clarke Arado – Northern Illinois University College of Law*  
*Susan M. Boland – University of Cincinnati College of Law*

**Description:** Artificial Intelligence may create great advancements for access to legal information and innovation in law library systems in an online environment. Conversely, though, it may impact legal research pedagogy and traditional norms of legal research instruction. Lawyers and law students will need to harness the power and innovative results of AI with a balance of traditional legal research approaches to be efficient, comprehensive, and effective in legal analysis. This session will explore the role AI can and should play in legal research and analysis.

## 1:00-2:00pm (Session 9)

- **MAALL BOOK TO ACTION: *Just Pursuit* by Laura Coates**

*Cindy Bassett – University of Missouri School of Law*  
*Gail Wechsler – Law Library Association of St. Louis*

**Description:** Join us for a discussion of this year's Book to Action book *Just Pursuit* by Laura Coates. The book details eye opening scenes Coates lived through as a Black female prosecutor for the US Department of Justice working in Washington, DC. Although Coates had good intentions when starting out as a prosecutor, she quickly learned that even with the best of intentions "the pursuit of justice creates injustice."