

Awards Committee Calls for Nominees for AALL Awards

Law Librarians are on the forefront when it comes to assuring access to legal information. The AALL Awards Committee recognizes the accomplishments of its members and others who excel in that endeavor. The Awards Committee will consider candidates for the awards described below. Additional information for all awards, including application forms and previous recipients, is listed on AALLNET at www.aallnet.org/about/awards.asp. Recipients will be recognized at the AALL Annual Meeting in Portland. **All nominations must be postmarked by February 1, 2008, unless otherwise noted.**

The **AALL/Thomson West Excellence in Marketing Award** honors outstanding achievement in public relations activities by an individual, group of individuals, library, chapter, special interest section, consortium, caucus, or any other group affiliated with AALL. Awards may be given in five categories: Best Brochure, Best Campaign, Best Newsletter, Best PR Toolkit, and Best Use of Technology. Please submit four copies of the entry, e.g., brochure, newsletter, handbook, bookmark, PR tool kit, or map. In the case of a campaign or home page, please submit four hard copies of all supporting documentation: a campaign notebook or printout of at least the main page and introductory material of a home page. Entries must be signed and dated, and the submission itself must have been used or implemented during 2007. Additional guidelines and the application form can be found on AALLNET at www.aallnet.org/committee/pr. Please send entries to **Lucinda MacDonald**, Marketing Specialist, Thomson West Librarian Relations, 610 Opperman Drive, D5-N193, Eagan, MN 55123; lucinda.macdonald@thomson.com.

The **Chapter Professional Development Award** recognizes significant achievements in designing outstanding professional development programs by AALL chapters. Two awards are given: one for a single program or workshop of one-half day or more and the other for a more comprehensive professional development program up to one year in length. Send five copies of the application and documentation to Chapter Professional Development Award Subcommittee Chair **Mary D. Mahoney**, Library Manager, Peterson, Johnson & Murray SC, 733 N. Van Buren Street, Milwaukee, WI 53202-4700; 414/278-

8800; fax: 414/278-0920; mmahoney@jpmllaw.com.

The **Joseph L. Andrews Bibliographical Award** is presented to honor a significant contribution to legal bibliographical literature. To be eligible, a work must be "a compilation of titles, published in any format, organized to serve as a reference tool or finding aid for such publications. Each nominated work will be measured primarily by its creative, evaluative elements, and the extent to which judgment was a factor in its formation." The works must have been published during 2007 to be considered. Send the nomination, including a complete description and five review copies, to Joseph L. Andrews Bibliographical Award Subcommittee Chair **Mark P. Bernstein**, Director and Assistant Professor of Law, Saint Louis University, Omer Poos Law Library, 3700 Lindell Boulevard, St. Louis, MO 63108; 314/977-3393; fax: 314/977-3966; bernstm2@slu.edu.

The **Law Library Journal and AALL Spectrum Article of the Year Awards** honor outstanding writing in each of those publications. Recipients will be chosen from articles published in the *Law Library Journal* and the *AALL Spectrum* during 2007. Nominees will be determined by the *LLJ/AALL Spectrum* Editorial Board and forwarded to the Awards Committee for final decision.

The **Law Library Publications Award** recognizes achievement in creating outstanding in-house library materials. There are two categories for the award: print and non-print. Recipients of the award may be any individual or group affiliated with AALL. Entries are judged according to the quality of the materials, creativity, and usefulness to the target audience. Send five copies of the application and supporting documents to: Law Library Publications Award Subcommittee Chair **Carol N. Rogers**, Manager of Information Resources-Libraries, Latham & Watkins LLP, 555 W. Fifth Street, Suite 800, Los Angeles, CA 90013-1010; 213/891-7174; fax: 213/891-7123; carol.rogers@lw.com.

The **Marian Gould Gallagher Distinguished Service Award** is presented to an individual nearing or following completion of an active professional career and recognized extended and sustained distinguished service to law librarianship and AALL. Honorees may be recognized for

achievement in a particular area of law librarianship, for service to the Association, or for outstanding contributions to the professional literature. The individual must be or have been a member of AALL. The award may be given posthumously. Nomination applications should include either additional supporting letters or the names of the other persons to contact for further information concerning the nominee. Each candidate shall be considered individually and confidentially and will be judged according to the criteria listed above. Petitions and letter writing campaigns (beyond those letters included with the application) are discouraged and will not be considered in the evaluation process nor will they influence the committee. The Awards Committee shall forward its recommendations for this award to the AALL Executive Board by March 1 for discussion at the spring Executive Board meeting. The Executive Board will select the recipient after considering the recommendations of the Awards Committee. No more than one award will be made in any given year except at the discretion of the AALL Executive Board. Unless a qualified candidate is put forward, the award will not be given. To submit a nomination, complete the application form available on the Awards Committee Web site (www.aallnet.org/about/award_mgg.asp) and send the nomination packet, including supporting documents, to Marian Gould Gallagher Award Subcommittee Chair **Ruth J. Hill**, Director of Library Services and Associate Professor of Law, Oliver B. Spellman Law Library, Southern University Law Center, P.O. Box 9294, Baton Rouge, LA 70813; 225/771-2139; fax: 225/771-6254; Rhill@sulc.edu.

The **CRIV New Product Award** honors a new commercial legal information product that has been in the library marketplace for no more than two years. The product must be commercial, enhance or improve existing law library services or procedures, and be an innovative product that improves access to legal information, the legal research process, or procedures for technical processing of library materials. Products that have been re-introduced in a new format or with substantial changes are eligible. CRIV's New Product Award Subcommittee screens nominations and makes recommendations to the AALL Awards Committee. To submit a nomination, complete the form available

on AALLNET at www.aallnet.org/committee/criv/news/newproductform.pdf and send eight copies by **January 14, 2008**, to CRIV New Product Award Subcommittee Chair **Joseph P. Hinger**, Associate Director for Technical Services, St. John's University, Rittenberg Law Library, 8000 Utopia Parkway, Jamaica, NY 11439; 718/990-1582; fax: 718/990-6649; hinger@stjohns.edu.

The **Public Access to Government Information (PAGI) Award** honors significant contributions by persons or organizations involved in the protection and promotion of greater public access to government information. Recipients need not be law librarians or members of AALL and may not be members of AALL's Government Affairs Office. Criteria for selection include: (1) a contribution that significantly improves public access to government information, thereby increasing

the public's knowledge about the workings of government; (2) the extent to which the individual or organization has had a positive impact on protecting and promoting public access to government information; and (3) the extent to which the effort advances the AALL mission and Government Relations Policy. The award is jointly administered by the Government Relations and Awards Committees. All nominations are considered on an individual basis, with complete confidentiality, and according to the criteria listed above. Nominations (one copy, preferably in electronic format) must be sent to Government Relations Committee Chair **Scott Matheson**, Head of Public Services, University of Colorado Law Library, 402 UCB, Wolf Law Building, Room 223A, 2450 Kittredge Loop Drive, Boulder, CO 80309-0402; 303/492-2504; fax: 303/492-2707; scott.matheson@colorado.edu.