



A MESSAGE FROM THE AALL PRESIDENT

Dear AALL Members,

As I reflect on my first three months as AALL President, I am filled with gratitude and pride for the incredible strides we have made together. We have held successful professional development programs, expanded our resources, and forged new connections that will propel us into the future.

At the same time, my thoughts are with our members in Florida, North Carolina, and those with loved ones impacted by Hurricanes Helene and Milton. As law librarians and legal professionals, we play a crucial role in helping our communities rebuild. We are stronger together, and your AALL community stands with you during this challenging time.

If you would like to support relief efforts, consider contributing to one of these impactful organizations:

- **American Red Cross:** Providing shelters and running blood drives.
- **Florida Disaster Fund:** Funding disaster response and recovery.
- **North Carolina Disaster Fund:** Funding disaster response and recovery.
- **The Salvation Army:** Disaster response and mobile feeding.
- **ALA Disaster Relief Fund:** Helping damaged libraries recover.
- **The Humane Society of the United States' Emergency Animal Relief Fund:** Emergency relief for animals.
- **World Central Kitchen:** Food and water for communities.



Member Engagement and Governance

- Work on our 2025-2028 Strategic Plan has begun! To guide this important initiative, we reached out to committee, chapter, and SIS leaders for their invaluable insights on AALL and the future of our profession. During the November Executive Board meeting, we will be working on the goals for this strategic plan, ensuring that our Association continues to remain relevant to you and to the profession.
- One important way you can contribute to AALL is by volunteering. **I encourage you to raise your hand when the call for committee and award jury volunteers opens on November 6.** Volunteers who are appointed will begin their terms in July 2025, following the Annual Meeting & Conference. AALL committee terms range from two to three years, while award juries have a one-year term.
- If you would like to make a lasting impact on AALL while also developing strategic leadership skills, **consider running for a position on the Executive Board when nominations open in January 2025.**