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## ***President's Column – Ashley Ames Ahlbrand***

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Hello again, friends. With this my last column for you as ORALL President, I have been reflecting on the past year, how many changes we've weathered, and I am quite simply grateful. Grateful to work with a tremendous Executive Board, who were always quick to lend a hand or offer advice. Grateful for our hard-working committees and committee chairs, whose work is at the very heart of ORALL itself. And grateful that we have so smoothly weathered the pandemic, through two years of virtual conferences, to our first in-person ORALL meet-up at AALL in July, to our upcoming in-person Annual Meeting in Lexington next month. Things may not have always gone precisely according to plan, but we have adapted when needed and continued moving forward. For that especially, I am grateful to you.

It's a busy time for ORALL at the moment! Thank you to the Nominations Committee for assembling an excellent slate of candidates for next year's Executive Board. You can find their bios in the pages of this newsletter. We will be holding elections later this month, so

be on the lookout for the electronic ballot. Thank you also to the Education Committee for putting together a solid slate of programming for our Annual Meeting in Lexington, and thank you also to the Local Arrangements Committee for organizing our accommodations, opening reception, and dine-arounds. Every year, ORALL is one of the conferences I most look forward to, and I am so excited to see you in person this year! If you're still considering whether to attend this year,

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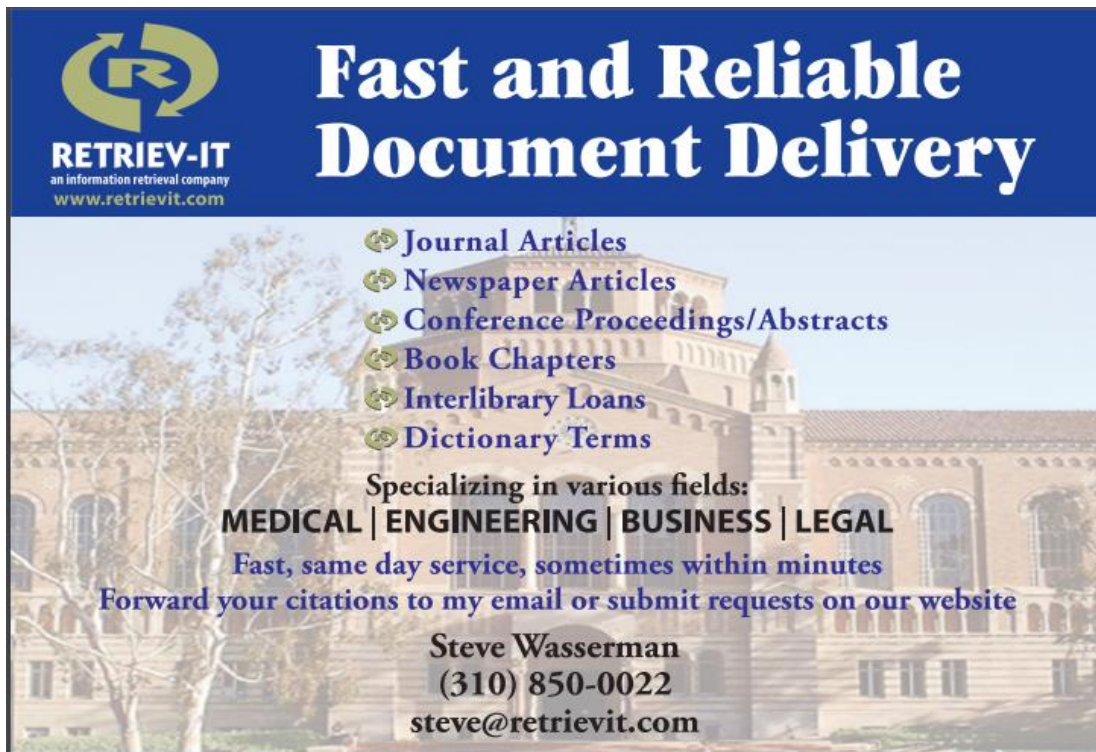
### **Profile**

ORALL is a 3-state chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries [Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky]. It was formed in 1949 "to further the development and usefulness of law libraries and to stimulate a spirit of mutual helpfulness among law libraries of this region." An annual conference is held each fall. ORALL publishes or sponsors the following publications: *Core Legal Collection* [bibliographies for Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan], ORALL Membership Directory, ORALL Newsletter, Ohio Legal Resources Annotated Bibliography & Guide 3rd.

## **President's Column *continued***

I thought I'd highlight some of the many attractions Lexington has to offer, such as the University of Kentucky's Arboretum, the [State Botanical Garden of Kentucky](#), or for aviation buffs, the [Aviation Museum of Kentucky](#). And when you're in the Horse Capital of the World, you might want to visit such sites as [Keeneland](#) or the [Old Friends Thoroughbred Retirement Farm](#). Plus, set within the rolling hills of horse country, it's just a beautiful setting all around. I truly hope you'll be able to join us, and I look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible.

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## **2022 ORALL EXECUTIVE BOARD ELECTION**

The Nominations Committee respectfully presents this year's candidates for ORALL Executive Board Positions. Please join me in thanking all of these ORALL members for volunteering their time to make our organization better. We are lucky to have such wonderful members!

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**\*\*Elections will run the second half of September. Be on the lookout for a link to the electronic ballot.\*\***

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## VICE-PRESIDENT/PRESIDENT-ELECT CANDIDATES



***Jeannette Mazur (rhymes with laser)***  
Legal Content Specialist

Baker Hostetler

Jeannette Mazur is currently a Legal Content Specialist at Baker Hostetler. She has used her 15 years of IT experience and 10 years of Library experience to help with everything from pivot tables to password resets. Before her time at Baker Hostetler, Jeannette the Technology Initiatives Librarian at Case Western Reserve University, where she was nominated both employee of the month and later employee of the year (2021). She has worked on the IT help desks for such firms as Jones Day in Cleveland, and Baker Hostetler in Philadelphia.

Jeannette has an A.S. from Ensign College, a B.S in Home and Family Living (a home ec. Degree) from BYU, and a M.L.I.S. from Kent State. She has chaired the ORALL photography committee, and presented at ORALL multiple times.



***Stephanie Ziegler***  
Reference Librarian & Adjunct Professor  
Michael E. Moritz College of Law

Stephanie Ziegler has been a reference librarian and adjunct professor at the Moritz Law Library at the Ohio State University since 2010. She provides reference services to faculty, students, and the public and teaches Legal Analysis and Writing I, Advanced Legal Research: Litigation and ADR, Ohio Legal Research, and Legal Practice & Perspectives: Researching Client Matters.

Previously, Stephanie worked as a reference librarian at the Ray & Kay Eckstein Law Library at Marquette University, a student circulation clerk at the law library of Indiana University School of Law-Bloomington, and at public libraries in Wisconsin and Michigan. She received her B.A. with a double major in English and history from Smith College, her J.D. from Indiana University School of Law-Bloomington and her M.L.I.S. from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

Stephanie has been an active member of ORALL since 2010. She has presented at several ORALL Annual Meetings, on such subjects as voting laws in ORALL states, teaching legal research and writing to 1Ls, teaching ADR resources, and finding things that have “disappeared” online. She has served on the AALL Law Library Journal Article of the Year Award Jury, the AALL Spectrum Article of the Year Award Jury, the ALL-SIS ALL-NEW Committee, the ALL-SIS Awards Committee, the ORALL Education Committee, the ORALL Local Arrangements Committee (Columbus), and the ORALL Grants Committee. She was an ORALL Executive Board Member from 2015-2017, and is pleased to currently serve as chair of the ORALL Grants Committee.

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## SECRETARY CANDIDATES



***Jackie McCloud***

Research and Instructional Services Librarian  
Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law  
Indianapolis, Indiana

Jackie McCloud is a Research and Instructional Services Librarian at the Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law. She received her M.L.I.S. from Kent State University and her J.D. from the University of Akron School of Law. She teaches first-year Legal Research and Advanced Legal Research.

I started my career as a law librarian in 2010 and after a hiatus spent working in the publishing industry and as a public librarian returned to law librarianship in 2021. I've enjoyed the zigs and zags in my career path as a librarian that brought me back to law librarianship and my position at the Ruth Lilly Law Library. Over the last year, I've really enjoyed the varied teaching opportunities and connecting with students and faculty.

I've enjoyed being a member of ORALL and the many benefits of ORALL membership, including the continuing education and networking opportunities, and would like to contribute to the continued success of our organization. I am currently serving as a member of the Education Committee. It would be a privilege to also serve as ORALL Secretary. Thank you for your consideration of my candidacy.



**Larissa Sullivan**

Head of Collection Services

Ruth Lilly Law Library

Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law

I am running for the position of ORALL Secretary.

Statement of Interest

I attended my first ORALL conference in Lexington, Ky, in October 2000. Having seen the commitment and dedication of its members, particularly those on the Executive Board, I knew I wanted to get involved and be not just a member, but a member who contributes to the organization. It was not, however, until 2016, while at Valparaiso Law School and thereafter at the Indiana University Robert McKinney School of Law, that I got involved actively with ORALL, serving as a Member-at-Large (2016-2018), chairing the ORALL Membership Committee (2018-2019), and being a member on the ORALL Diversity and Inclusion Committee. I have also presented in several sessions at ORALL annual meetings.

I look forward to using my skills and talents to further serve a group that has benefited me, in so many ways, throughout my career. I am dedicated, dependable, enthusiastic, and organized - not to mention approachable and friendly - qualities I view as essential in the role of Secretary. If elected, I expect to learn a lot in this role, but I'm also confident I can provide a new (and welcome) perspective. I hope I can count on your vote!

## Biography

Appointed to my position as Head of Collection Services at the Indiana University Ruth Lilly Law Library in January 2017, I am responsible for the Law Library collection development, cataloging and acquisitions workflows. I have recently completed the Law Library database cleanup projects, including supplemental training for my cataloging and acquisitions staff.

Before coming to IU McKinney, I held various library positions at the University of Michigan Law Library, Ave Maria School of Law Library, and Valparaiso University Law Library.

Active on committees both locally and nationally, I have served on and chaired numerous local, regional, and national committees. Currently, I am Past Chair of the Library Systems and Resource Discovery (LSRD)-SIS @ AALL, immediate Past President of Indiana *SirsiDynix* User Group, and a Law School representative to the IUPUI Faculty Committee Council on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion.

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## MEMBER-AT-LARGE CANDIDATES



### ***Mary Lynn Creighton***

Manager of Knowledge Services  
Porter Wright Morris & Arthur LLP

Mary Lynn is currently the Manager of Knowledge Services for the 200+ attorney Porter Wright law firm. She oversees the firm's Knowledge Management department providing innovative solutions to business problems. In addition, Mary Lynn oversees the firm's Information Resource Center serving the legal and business research needs of the firm.

Prior to joining Porter Wright, Mary Lynn was a Regulatory & Compliance Specialist for Great American Insurance Company, a Senior Research Librarian for American Financial Group, and the Director of Information Resources for the law firm of Keating Muething & Klekamp.

Mary Lynn holds a Master's Degree in Library Science from the University of Kentucky and a Juris Doctorate from the from Northern Kentucky University,

Salmon P. Chase College of Law. She has also taught legal research to first year law students as an adjunct professor for the Salmon P. Chase College of Law.



***Amelia Landenberger***

Senior Legal Information Librarian  
Boston University School of Law

I am a Senior Legal Information Librarian at Boston University, where I teach legal research to 1Ls and LLMS as well as International Legal Research to 2Ls and 3Ls. Prior to my move to Boston, I worked at the University of Kentucky and the University of Colorado, Boulder. Even though I've left the geographic area, ORALL stays close to my heart.

Almost all of my education has been in Ohio. I grew up in Suffield, OH, graduated from Archbishop Hoban High School in Akron, and I have a B.A. from Case Western Reserve University, a J.D. from The Ohio State University, and an MLIS from Kent State University. My first experiences in law librarianship came from student employment at The Ohio State University and a practicum at the Ohio Supreme Court Law Library, where I was introduced to ORALL. I am grateful for the mentors who helped me to get to this point in my career.

I have served ORALL as the Chair of the ORALL Grants Committee, the Nominations Committee, and the AALL Arrangements Committee for ORALL, and also as a member of the ORALL Grants Committee and ORALL Membership Committee. I once had the great honor of winning the ORALL Annual Meeting Euchre Tournament. I am currently serving as a Member at Large on the ORALL board and I would like to continue to serve ORALL while learning about chapter leadership.





**Natasha Landon**

Reference Librarian & Lecturer  
The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law

Natasha Landon is a Reference Librarian and Lecturer at The Ohio State University's Moritz College of Law, where she provides research and reference assistance as a member of the Reference Department and also teaches Legal Analysis and Writing I and a Legal Practice & Perspectives Program course in the first-year curriculum. If elected, she would take great honor in serving as a member of the Executive Board, actively listening to the thoughts and suggestions raised by our committees, and advocating for the interests of all members.

Natasha received her Bachelor of Arts and Juris Doctor from The Ohio State University and her Master of Library and Information Sciences from the University of Alabama. Before pursuing a career in law librarianship, she had the pleasure of clerking for the Honorable Marie Hoover in the Ohio Fourth District Court of Appeals. After working at the law library during law school, Natasha returned for a two-year fellowship and was later hired on in her current position.

Natasha has been a member of AALL since 2019. More specifically, she is an active member of AALL's RIP-SIS and ALL-SIS, has contributed to the Law Library Journal's "Keeping Up with New Legal Titles" section, and is a current member of the ALL-SIS Faculty Services Committee. She has also been a member of ORALL since 2019 and is looking forward to attending this year's Annual Meeting.

What makes ORALL so special is its strong community spirit. Having just recently finished her degree, Natasha has now switched focuses and dedicated herself to fostering collaborations, building long-lasting relationships, and learning from her fellow ORALL members. As a highly organized, creative, and passionate person, Natasha believes her approachability, willingness to speak up, and stick-to-it attitude makes her a prime candidate for this position.

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***THE OHIO BUREAU OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION LIBRARY***  
**by Andrew Hart, Ohio BWC Library**

Our library specializes in occupational safety and health. We help Ohio employers find information in Ohio codes, OFC, OSHA standards, ANSI/NFPA, and much more. We also provide training materials, including a safety video lending service.

Ohio has Specific Safety Requirements (SSRs) located in OAC 4123:1 that Ohio employers must follow. Before OSHA, Ohio was a leader in workplace safety and issued safety rules 50 years before OSHA began that Ohio employers had (and still have to) follow. Some Ohio employers, and even some people outside of the state of Ohio, have to consult old SSRs because the machinery/activities that they do today still fall under codes released at specific times. We get contacted several times each year from law offices in Ohio and surrounding states that need to consult specific editions of SSRs, and our library is one of the few places that have the codes housed in one place. We would like to spread awareness among law library staff that the collection is available online in case patrons ask about these old Ohio codes.

BWC released a blog post this May about the new collection that can be found here: [See changes over time with new online archive of Ohio specific safety requirements | BWC Blog \(wordpress.com\)](#)

A direct link to the collection can be found here, which includes a history/tips document and a finding aid to make it easier to navigate the collection: [Ohio Specific Safety Requirements | Bureau of Workers' Compensation](#)

And information about our library and what we offer can be found here: [Safety and video library | Bureau of Workers' Compensation \(ohio.gov\)](#)

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***AALL 2022 Chapter Leadership Advocacy Training - January 27, 2022***

**by Benjamin J. Keele, Associate Director, Ruth Lilly Law Library  
Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law**

<https://elearning.aallnet.org/products/2022-aall-chapter-advocacy-training>

This past January AALL sponsored an advocacy training for leaders of AALL chapters. This webinar was recorded and the link, provided above, will enable viewing by any AALL members.

Anna Russell, from the U.S. Ninth Circuit Library, moderated the panel. In the first segment, Benjamin Keele discussed regulations applicable to chapters engaging in advocacy work. The first set of rules govern the chapters' statuses as 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations under IRS rules. The key points for chapters is that they should not directly endorse or oppose candidates, and advocacy work should become a substantial portion of their overall activities. Following these guidelines will help preserve chapters' nonprofit, tax-exempt status.

The second set of rules are state lobbying registration and disclosure rules. These rules vary from state to state, but generally if a chapter paid someone to conduct advocacy work for it, the chapter and lobbyist would have to register and provide periodic reports. Most advocacy work by chapters is done by volunteer members, so this is unlikely to be a major issue, but each chapter should check their state's laws.

Finally, the employers of chapter members may have their own policies on engaging with government officials. For example, Indiana University has a policy requiring employees to coordinate contact with government officials through a central office. However, the policy exempts employees when they note that their advocacy is in their personal capacity.

In the second segment, Sally Holterhoff, formerly of Valparaiso, discussed constituting a chapter government relations committee to coordinate advocacy activities. She noted that it appeared some chapters did not have active government relations committees and thus now may be an opportunity to assemble or reactivate committees focused on advocacy. She advised chapters to create clear charges and legislative priorities for their government relations committees. These priorities should be aligned with the chapter's strategic plan or other core documents.

David McFadden of Southwestern Law School discussed ideas for advocacy activities. Committees can participate in legislative visits or coordinate campaigns to write or call lawmakers on specific issues. He also recommended ensuring geographic representation within a chapter when recruiting members to the committees.

For chapter leaders looking to engage in advocacy to government officials, this session provides practical advice for moving forward.

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## **2022 ORALL Annual Meeting Grant Report**

**by Kevin Carey, Technical Services Librarian, Ohio State University Moritz Law Library**

I was honored to be a recipient of an ORALL Annual Meeting Grant to attend the 2022 American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) Annual Meeting & Conference in Denver. My sincere gratitude goes out to ORALL for covering my conference registration, and for all the support and resources they provide for us as members.

After two years of virtual meetings, it was such a pleasure to attend AALL in-person again, to reconnect with old friends and colleagues, and to meet many of the newer members who have joined the association since we last convened in Washington, D.C. This year's conference was a really nice balance of educational offerings and social gatherings, along with the addition-by-subtraction of not having all those pesky 7 a.m. committee meetings!

As I just finished a term on one SIS board – Library Systems & Resource Discovery (LSRD) – and started up on another – Technical Services (TS) – I was especially excited about the sponsored programs from those sections, but the conference emphasis on Diversity & Inclusion was also particularly compelling this year.

I arrived early enough on Saturday to check in with my LSRD colleagues setting up the SIS poster in the activities area: I volunteered to man the poster during a Sunday exhibit hall break, which is a great way to promote the section while connecting with newer members wondering what these SIS's are all about. Then after a few innings with fellow attendees at the Rockies game, and a quick spin through the Opening Session, I enjoyed a lovely French dinner with five of my tech-services colleagues as part of the TS Dine-Arounds, which are a fun recent conference tradition.

Following Sunday morning's keynote address by Tani G. Cantil-Sakauye at the Opening General Session, it was a full day of programming, highlighted by a Wikidata deep-dive and LSRD's sponsored program, "Marketing Sustainable Mid-Size Institutional Repositories with No Pennies," both moderated by SIS friends. I really enjoy programs like these, which introduce complex technologies that are new to me but could end up a meaningful part of my work one day. It was nice to kick back at Henry's Tavern for the ORALL get-together that evening, where I got to catch up with former colleagues and get to know some newer ones – including the newest reference librarians at the Moritz Law Library.

Monday morning's programming gave me a chance to reconsider some of our familiar work responsibilities "With a Conscience": collection development and acquiring; and cataloging for sustainable inclusive descriptive practice. These

were thought-provoking topics that really generated some meaningful breakout-group conversation, where I felt welcome to contribute but mostly tried to *listen* to voices different from my own. I took a lot of notes at that afternoon's TS-sponsored deep-dive on "Documenting For Your Successor," and brought home a lot of good ideas and templates for departmental succession planning.

The Association Luncheon on Tuesday is always one of my favorite parts of attending AALL, as it formally concludes the conference on such an inspirational note. The sense of relief and gratitude from outgoing Executive Board members is palpable, and the bios and speeches of the Marian Gould Gallagher award winners surely have many attendees wiping their eyes. It's an event that never fails to make me even prouder to be a law librarian, and I believe that feeling helps sustain me through my daily work the rest of the year.

Thanks again to ORALL for this grant: see you all next year in Boston!

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### ***A Note from Your Newsletter Editor***

As always, I do not want to be remiss in expressing my thanks to everybody who has contributed to the quarterly newsletter, past and present. As we all know, we would not be able to offer this resource to our members without these contributions. I hope this newsletter is a source of thought-provoking, timely and helpful information.

It's hard to believe, but we will once again be meeting in person in October for our Annual Meeting. I look forward to seeing all of you. This should provide a great opportunity for us to talk about the future of the newsletter and what you all want to see it become/remain.

If you ever have any questions, concerns or ideas, please e-mail me at [pvenard1@udayton.edu](mailto:pvenard1@udayton.edu).