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Archives Committee

Sheri Sarnoff is the Committee Chair for the Archives Committee.

Recently, the Archives was moved to Cravath's new offices: 375 Ninth Avenue, New York, NY 10001



Corporate Sponsorship



We are pleased to report we had nine corporate sponsors in 2023-24. Donations totaled \$70,000. As always, we are grateful to all our sponsors and appreciate their continued support of LLAGNY.

Thank you to Stacey Pilson and Amy Carr, committee co-chairs. Huge thanks to Karen Oesterle for being a great LLAGNY champion and asset to this committee.

2023-2024 Corporate Sponsors:

- Platinum: LexisNexis, Thomson Reuters
- Gold: Practising Law Institute
- Crystal: Bloomberg Law, Wolters Kluwer
- Bronze: Deal Point Data, Intelligize, TRG Screen, vLex

Thank you to our amazing corporate sponsors!

Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

Committee Members were Chair Errol Adams, Stacey Pilson, Tramelia Braithwaite, Charlotte Braithwaite, and Pauline Webster

Black History Month Celebration:

- **Hosted Seneca Village Tour**
- 15 members registered
- Despite heavy rain, 10 members attended
- Tour paid for by LLAGNY
- **3 Law Lines Articles**
- The first article focused on 10 activities you can do to celebrate black history month both online and in person
- The second focused on select banned books written by African American authors
- The third article described the Seneca Village Tour





Education

The Education Committee did not host any LLAGNY educational events this past year. We hope to have programs to offer to the Board in the near future.



Government Relations

The LLAGNY GRC Committee continued to liaison with the AALL Government Relations Committee, follow the NYS legislature, and meet with interested parties to restore access to Records on Appeal for NY cases.

Grants & Scholarships



Award	Recipient
New Student Scholarship	Ceili Lynch, Mannatt Phelps & Philips
Experienced Student	Carol Lemos, Brooklyn Law School
AALL Grant	Scarlet Taylor, New York Law School
AALL & CONELL	Hannah Freeman, Brooklyn Law School
AALL & PLLIP	Stacey Pilson, Norton Rose Fulbright

Committee Update:

Longtime committee member Rebecca Dent of Columbia Law has agreed to take the Chair position, while Chris Walunas and I will continue on the committee.

Thank you to Treasurer Diana Bracho, who is swiftly taking care of all the financial details for these awards!

Law Lines

Year: 2022	Year: 2023	Year to Year change
Views = 3158	Views = 5212	+ 65.04 %
Visitors = 1721	Visitors = 3093	+ 79.72 %
Total Posts = 20	Total Posts = 30	+ 50.00 %

YTD: 2024	% of 2023 totals
Views = 1899	36.44%
Visitors = 1248	40.35%
Total Posts = 11*	36.67%

Interpretation:

At roughly the halfway point of the calendar year, the pace is noticeably below the 2023 metrics. HOWEVER, the panic button need not be pressed just yet as I do believe we can improve the publication's performance in the second half of 2024.

Forward looking items:

- Hoping for increased engagement by new/unique authors.
- Possibly establish a (call for) recurring calendar of items for publishing. Examples:
 - o Monthly diversity pieces (where applicable)
 - o Vendor spotlights
 - o Seasonal/holiday items
 - o Annual survey



Memberships



Amy Carr, Jeanine McPartlin, Sally Munson, and Elizabeth Nicholson are all part of the membership committee.

The bulk of our work with renewals is from late May to early October. There are three reminders to members about membership dues. We work closely with Marijah Sroczyński from the Technology Committee on any technical issues we encounter.

Last year Marijah developed an update link members can use to edit their profiles and there were members who took advantage of that option.

Update link - <https://llagny.memberclicks.net/profile-update-form>

The biggest project is always putting together the new directory. This takes not only our entire team but also requires Marijah's assistance. The process includes the mail merge, editing individual and institutional information, and updating profiles.

We continue to reap the benefits of the [Membership Documentation - Google Drive](#). Having a repository for best practices is enormously helpful to the Committee.

We also work closely with Diana Bracho, LLAGNY Treasurer, to get information regarding member payments, to answer W-9 questions, and to assist with processing wire transfer and credit card payments.



Nominations

The nominations committee had a busy year and was able to develop a great slate of candidates, including new people. For these positions: President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. Candidates are nominated by their peers, either at the same firm or other firms. The list of names are then checked with the names from the Membership Committee to confirm candidates are current members. LLAGNY member names are also submitted for lifetime membership.

The nominations committee is comprised of one person and needs additional volunteers.

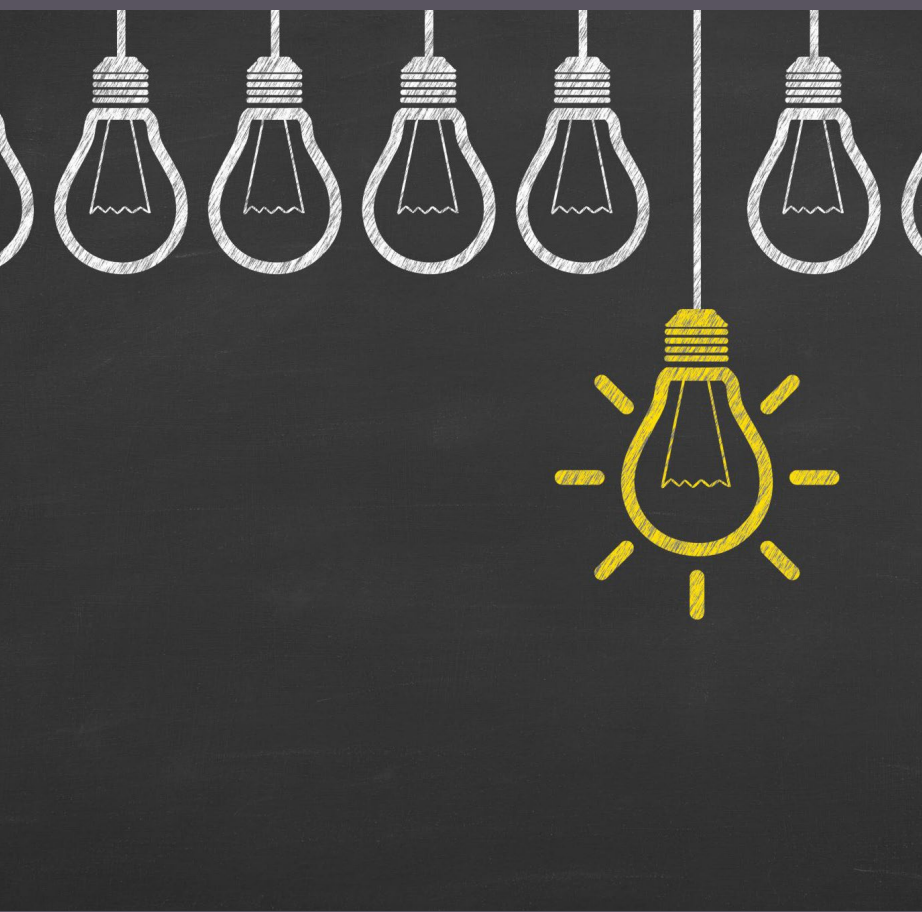
Outreach Programs

The Law Librarian class at Queens College was cancelled due to lack of enrollment. This was a big disappointment.



Placement

- **Placement Committee posted approximately 20 job openings for 2023**
- **Law Schools Included**
 - Yeshiva
 - Brooklyn
 - NYU
 - Hofstra
- **Law Firms Included**
 - Wachtell
 - Robinson & Cole
 - Arnold & Porter
- **Other**
 - Nera



Professional Advancement

Committee Chair:

Janice E. Henderson

Committee Members:

Toni Aiello

Dewey Cole

Janice Easton-Epner

Mikhail Koulikov

Christos Pamboukes

The committee has had a very productive year to date. In 2023-24 we developed multiple programs for Deliberate Solos, the Queens County Women's Bar Association (QCWBA) and the LGBT Bar NY. We are in the process of developing a cybersecurity program in June 2024 for a new client: the Queens County Criminal Bar Association.

Professional Advancement

List of 2023-24 Programs:

- Cybersecurity: The Ethical Risks of AI for Lawyers, 9/20/2023, 1 NY Cybersecurity, Privacy & Data Protection-Ethics credit (LGBT Bar NY)
- Ways to Protect Your Firm & Clients from a Cybersecurity Breach, 1/22/2024, 1 Cybersecurity, Privacy & Data Protection-General credit & .5 Cybersecurity, Privacy & Data Protection-Ethics credit (QCWBA)
- CPLR Part I: The Basics, 2/13/2024, 1.5 Areas of Professional Practice credit (QCWBA)
- CPLR Part II, The Basics Continued, 2/27/2024, 1 Areas of Professional Practice credit and .5 Skills credit (QCWBA)
- Emerging AI Issues for Lawyers, 3/20/2024, 1.5 Cybersecurity, Privacy & Data Protection-General credit & .5 Skills credit (Deliberate Solos)
- Cybersecurity Program, June 17, 2024 1 Cybersecurity, Privacy & Data Protection credit (QCCBA)

Members Who Volunteered to Speak at the Programs:

- Alice P. Ko, Senior Researcher, White & Case Cybersecurity: The Ethical Risks of AI for Lawyers
- Mikhail Koulikov, Reference Librarian, Winston & Strawn, CPLR Part II, The Basics Continued
- Charles (Dewey) Cole, Jr., Esq., Partner, Newman Myers Kreines Harris, CPLR Part II, The Basics Continued
- Janice Easton-Epner, Knowledge & Digital Services Librarian, Kramer, Levin, Naftalis & Franklin, Emerging AI Issues for Lawyers

Professional Advancement

Communications:

•Emily Moog, Research Analyst at the New York Law Institute, wrote an excellent article on a recent program that took place at the New York Law Institute: *A Review of LLAGNY's NY CLE program: "Emerging AI Issues for Lawyers"* the that took place at the New York Law Institute <https://llagny.wordpress.com/2024/04/11/a-review-of-llagnys-ny-cle-program-emerging-ai-issues-for-lawyers/>. Over the years we've been allowed to have free in-person programs at the New York Law Institute. It has been an excellent relationship because of the continued support of Lucy Gonzalez, the organization's Executive Director.

•LLAGNY Webpage: *New York CLE Research Programming Service*: <https://www.llagny.org/cle-programming-service>

•LinkedIn Page: *LLAGNY: CLE Research Programming Service*: <https://www.linkedin.com/company/llagny/>

•LinkedIn Posts:

•Domestic Violence Cases: Perspective from Various Practitioners, the Court, and Available Resources, 6/14/23 program.

•Cybersecurity: The Ethical Risks of AI for Lawyers, 9/20/23 program.

NY CLE Licenses: Our current license is active until 2025 (June 28, 2022 to June 27, 2025). We continue to be a NY CLE provider in the following formats:

•Traditional Live

•Live Simultaneous Transmission, i.e. Zoom, Web-conference, etc.

•Fully Interactive Videoconference for newly admitted attorneys

Professional Advancement



Storage of Program Materials:

•The Technology Committee created a database through MemberClicks to store program course materials, CLE Certificates, attendance sheets and evaluation forms. We are required to keep the materials for four years. With this database, the materials no longer need to be housed on the Chair's personal computer. Program materials for the last 5 years have been added to the database.

Speaker Database:

•The Speaker Database that was created by the Technology Committee through MemberClicks is being populated by the Professional Advancement Committee (PAC) with speakers from the CLE programs. Not only is the speaker's contact information being added into the database but the general reviews of the attendees of their presentation are included as well. The database will also help the Professional Advancement Committee to select previous speakers for current programs.

•As a reminder, the Professional Advancement Committee (PAC), as part of its mission, keeps a list of LLAGNY speakers updated with the Membership Renewal/New Member form. On the form Members can select that they are available to present at a LLAGNY program/event. LLAGNY Committee Chairs can request this list from PAC.



Social Media

The Social Media Committee – currently just myself – is responsible for updating and maintaining LLAGNY’s social media channels. LLAGNY currently has profiles on LinkedIn, Twitter (X), Instagram and Facebook; however, the Facebook profile is currently not up to date. Social media posts vary slightly between the various platforms, but include new job postings, new Law Lines articles, LLAGNY events and book clubs, acknowledgements of holidays and observances.

Over the next year the goals are to create additional and more frequent postings on the social media channels. The committee would benefit from having another member.



Special Events

Fall Soiree

The View At Battery Gardens Oct 19th WED 6 to 9. Free to Members Open Bar with passed appetizers, stationary vegetables and cheeses, plus assortment of dessert and coffee.

We had 139 RSVP's and with name tags left over we had 95 people. Contract was for 110.

The Total was \$15,433 and we gave \$300 to Matre D so grand total \$15,733. They did not have the stationary items and only supplied the desserts after I showed contract. The View is deducting \$1,000 from this years event for their mistake.

Winter Meeting

Kellari Tavern Jan 25th Thursday 6 to 9. \$25 to Members Top Shelf Open Bar, Passed appetizers then buffet style food. Plus dessert and coffee.

I had 133 RSVP for the event and estimated 127 people attended.

They charge \$25,000 for renting out the restaurant didn't need to give headcount. We also gave \$200 each to two people who worked coat check and also helped with set up and microphone etc. So total was \$25,200



Special Events

Spring Fling

Club 101 April 27th Thursday 6 to 9 open bar passed appetizers and dessert and coffee. Free to Members.

I did contract for 110 people, I had 120 people rsvp. We had a little glitch in registration and some people who registered were not on list. So I estimated we had 121 people attend the event. Club 101 was great and let contract stay at 110.

\$13,200 for the event and we gave \$300 to Maitre D. so event total \$13,500.

June Dinner

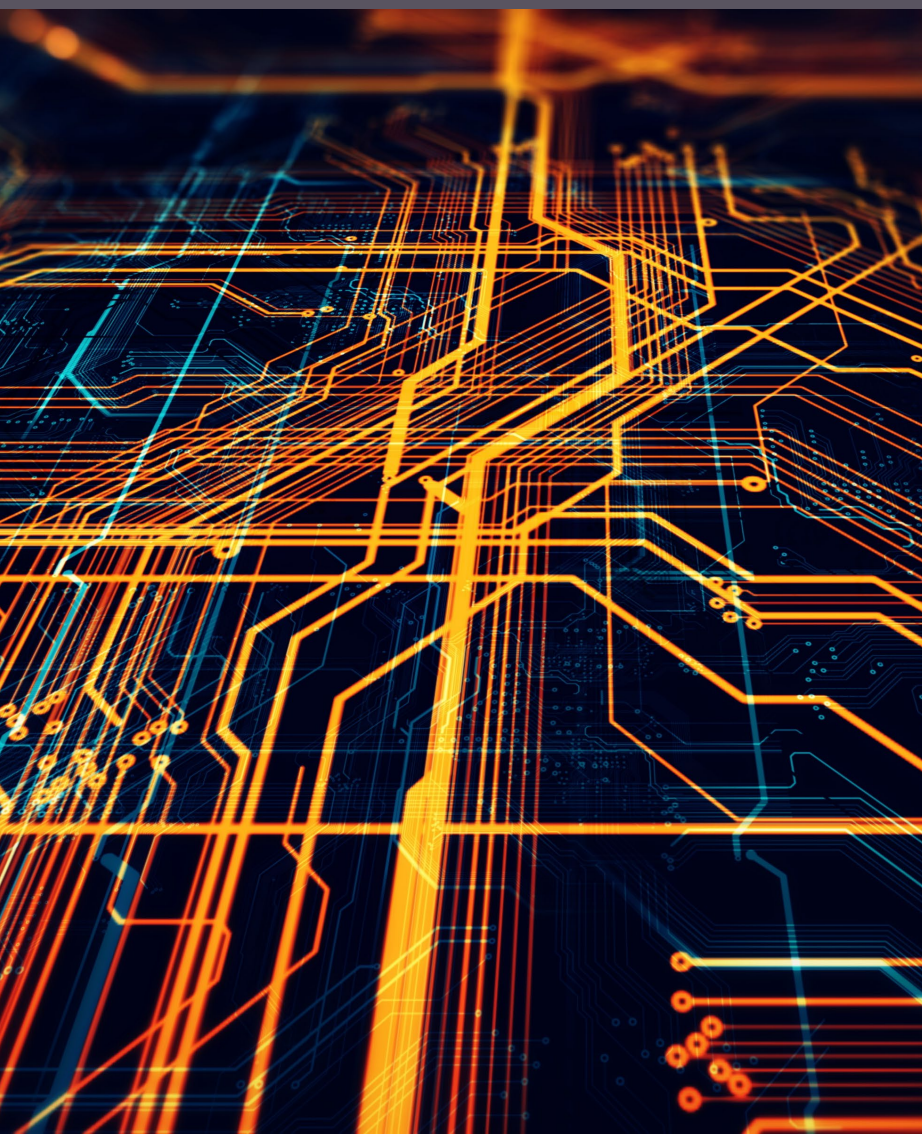
Second June 8th Thursday 6:30 to 9:30 Top Shelf 1 Hour Cocktail Reception with passed appetizers. Followed by 3 course sit down dinner. Wine service at table and bar was still open. \$25 for members

I originally did contract for 140 people and we increased it to 150.

We had 153 RSVPS and estimated 129 Attendees(Although I didn't see many empty seats at the tables).

The cost was \$47,045 for 140 guests. We increased it to 150 so additional \$3,038 dollars. \$300 to Maitre D and the microphone and podium was \$1,050

Total for event was \$51,433



Technology

Committee:

Elaine Dick, Vicki Goldberg (co-chair), Chris Pamboukes, Layla-Aurivelise Ralekhetho, and Marijah Sroczynski (co-chair)

Regular Activities:

- Start of the year transition checklists.
- Add new LawLines articles and remove old ones to/from the web site widget.
- Add new events to the calendar and home page announcement widgets.
- Create ad hoc invoices for Sponsors who wish to use a credit card but not the online form.
- Create registration forms for events.
- Follow up on rejected emails to the various e-lists.
- Send out registrant lists for events.
- Worked with Membership on the annual PDF directory.
- Upload newly purchased ads on our website.
- Add monthly board minutes to the website.
- Helping members with resetting passwords or looking up their usernames.
- Creating a new sponsors page and updating the ads in the widget.
- Updating the scholarship/grant page and uploading the new applications.
- Supplied updates for the Leadership Manual.

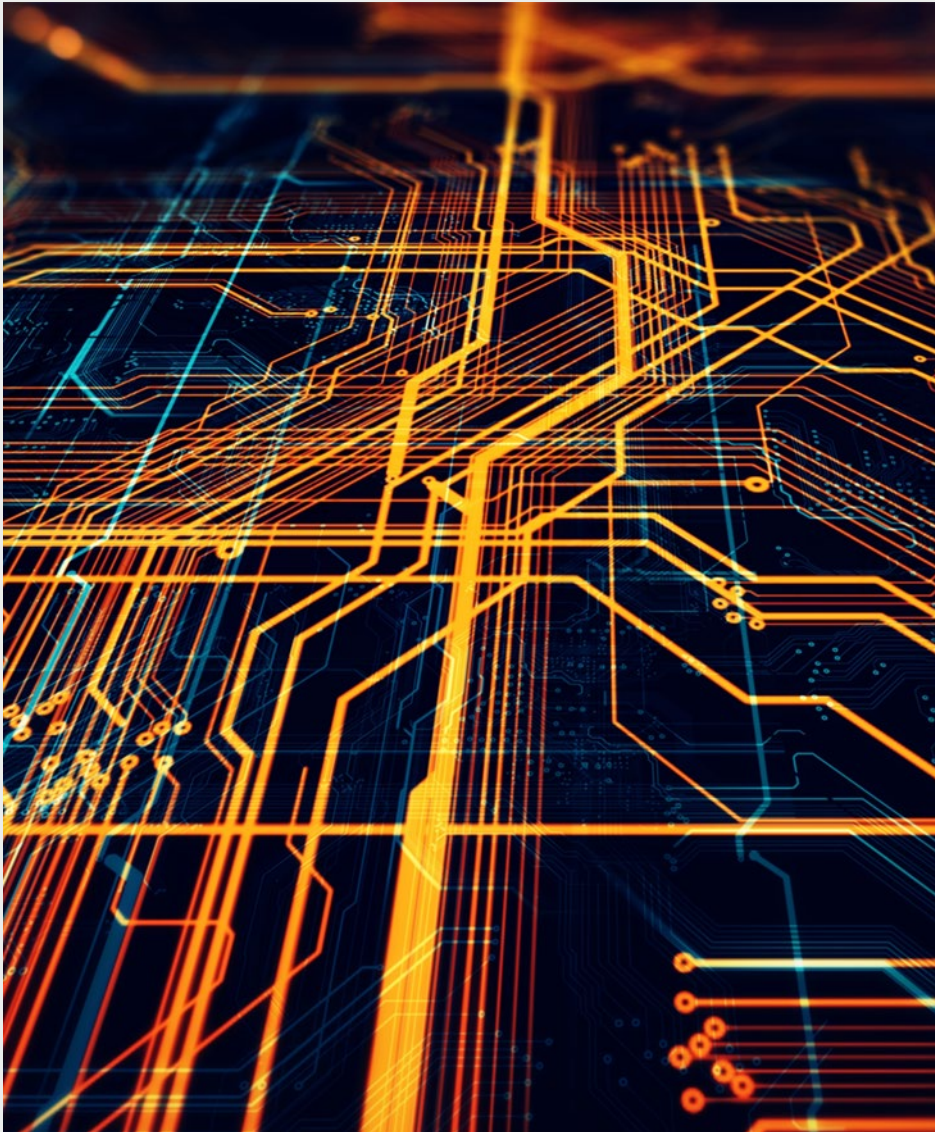
Technology

Resolved Issues

- Marijah created a discount code to be used for unemployed long-standing members who the board voted in July 2023 should have a free membership for one year. That resolved the issue of how to keep their member profile without them having to pay.
- Had to find a way to assign our GoTo account to someone as Kathleen and Christine both already had accounts associated with their email addresses. Wound up creating llagnygoto@llagny.org to use just for this account. Currently it's a mask for Christine's email address but that can be more easily changed in the future than the email address associated with the GoTo account.
- Learned there were emails going out with an obsolete version of the LLAGNY snail mail address. Tracked down where that address was stored and corrected it.

Other Activities

- Marijah reviewed StarChapter as an alternative to Memberclicks but determined they would be unable to meet our current needs.
- There's been a constant issue over the years with spam filters blocking committee email forwards due to spoofing rules. To get around that, Marijah explored with the Membership Committee creating Group lists instead of email addresses with forwards. After figuring out the pros and cons of these lists, Marijah offered them to all committee chairs and moved the email addresses for those who requested it. In the end Membership, Technology, Social Media, Corporate Sponsorship, and Professional Advancement chose to move.
- Moved the LLAGNY board meetings calendar to Memberclicks.
- Worked with the MemberClicks support team to update the Google Analytics code to GA4.
- Shared with the LLAGNY listserv various messages sent to us by AALL.
- Helped PAC create materials URLS they can share with attendees to their events



Volunteers

Volunteers staffed reception at our social events and provided members and guests with name tags and kept attendance for the events.





President's Year in Review



LLAGNY is Back.



Opportunities

Professional Development

Networking

Cultural Experiences



Business Running Smoothly

Increase Funds for Grants &

Scholarships

Added a new corporate sponsor



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