AALL To Premiere New Hackathon Event at 2014 Annual Meeting

Chicago 4/17/2014—The American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) plans to debut an exciting new workshop at its July 2014 annual meeting—and both AALL members and San Antonio-area programmers are invited.

The July 12 Hackathon—designed to unite law librarians and technological experts to build new tools and systems—is part of AALL’s pre-conference workshop series.

Programmers and AALL members will collaborate to transform government datasets into new resources, such as inventive mobile or web applications, to increase the government data’s accessibility and discoverability.

Participants will work in teams, and projects will be considered for the $250 prize, whether they are completed during the event or not. Teams also have the option of working on their project after the conference.

The Center for Computer-Assisted Legal Instruction (CALI) is providing staff time and a web portal (http://lawlibrarians.hackthelaw.com) for Hackathon projects. The web portal will list datasets, ideas and other information.

Tech professionals can attend the “AALL Hackathon: Building the Information Future” event for free by registering at http://www.eventbrite.com/e/aall-hackathon-tickets-10590208599 by June 16.

For more information about AALL member and non-member registration for the 107th Annual Meeting & Conference, which will be held in San Antonio, Texas, from July 12-15, 2014, please visit http://www.aallnet.org.

About AALL
The American Association of Law Libraries was founded in 1906 to promote law libraries’ value to the legal and public communities; foster the law librarianship profession and provide leadership in the legal information field. With nearly 5,000 members, AALL represents law librarians and related professionals who are affiliated with law firms; law schools; corporate legal departments; courts; and local, state and federal government agencies. For more information, visit AALLNET.org.