



## VANCOUVER ASSOCIATION OF LAW LIBRARIES

### MARCH LUNCHTIME SEMINAR

Please join VALL for our March lunchtime seminar, “**American Court Structures, Case Law and Commentary**” with guest speaker Sarah Richmond.

Sarah Richmond is the Library Manager/ Research Lawyer at Alexander Holburn Beaudin + Lang LLP. She is also currently president of VALL and co-chair of the BCLMA’s KM subsection. Prior to her position at AHBL, Sarah completed her MLIS at Western University in London, articulated at a mid-size law firm in Ottawa, and completed her LL.B. at the University of Windsor. She was called to the BC Bar in December 2013 after transferring from Ontario. As part of her role as Library Manager/ Research Lawyer at AHBL, Sarah enjoys training the articling and summer students on legal research resources.

This seminar will begin with an introduction to US court structures, judicial selection methods and an overview of stare decisis. The practice of Canadian citation (by lawyers and by judges) of American authorities will be discussed. The seminar will also cover case law research using print secondary source materials, paid/ electronic subscription resources, free internet-based resources, US court documents and will look at US legal citation.

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**Date:** Tuesday, March 28th, 2017

**Place:** Farris, Vaughan, Wills & Murphy LL, 700 W Georgia Street, Vancouver B.C., V7Y 1B3.

*Reception and boardroom located on the 25<sup>th</sup> floor.*

**Cost:** \$30 VALL members. \$45 non-members. *Additional \$2 fee for paying online only.*

**Times:** Registration @ 11:45am. Lunch @ 12:00pm. Seminar to conclude by 1:15pm.

**Registration:** Space is limited so register early online or by mail. *Instructions below.*

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#### Online Registration Instructions:

1. Go to <http://vall.vancouver.bc.ca/node/848> and pay via the PayPal button embedded in the post.
2. There is an added cost on top of the initial registration fee of \$2 for paying online
3. After completing your payment, email Brenda Alm at [balm@wt.ca](mailto:balm@wt.ca), with the following information:
  - Name of attendee
  - Employer organization name (for your name tag)
  - Email address you used for PayPal
  - Dietary restrictions

#### Mail-in Registration Instructions:

1. Print and complete the attached registration form
2. Include a completed cheque made out to “Vancouver Association of Law Libraries”
3. E-mail a copy of your completed registration form to Brenda Alm at [balm@wt.ca](mailto:balm@wt.ca)

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Please submit your registration form with accompanying payment by **Friday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017.**

No refunds are available after the Friday. Registration is not permitted at the door.

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