

## NEWS FROM YOUR ASSOCIATION

### There's Still Time

#### Register Now for ALA's Annual Conference

Don't miss out! Register today for ALA's 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Educational Conference and Exposition. To be held May 1-4 in Montréal, Québec, the Conference is the most comprehensive educational program designed to help legal administrators and law firm managers sharpen their skills and further their careers.

During the Conference, you'll enjoy more than 100 engaging educational sessions and several outstanding networking events where you can compare notes and exchange ideas with other administrators, support managers and managing partners. In addition, a fantastic exposition will showcase up-to-the-minute products, technology, solutions and services.

The Conference is not all work and no play, of course. Throughout the four-day event, you will find plenty of ways to relax and unwind in Montréal.

"ALA is 35 years old in 2006, and its Annual Conference continues to be the best, and most economical, way to continue learning about the industry and how to maximize your effectiveness in it," said Conference Chair Judith A. Hissong, CLM, of Solomon Grindle Silverman & Spinella PC in San Diego, California.

Advance your career. Advance your organization. Join us at ALA's Annual Educational Conference and Exposition! For more details, contact ALA at (847) 267-1252 or visit [www.alanet.org/conference](http://www.alanet.org/conference). ✱



## Top-Notch Education

### Plan Now for ALA Offerings Later This Year

ALA recently announced the dates and locations for its educational offering in fall 2006. Mark your calendars now to participate!

#### **ALA Region 1 Educational Conference**

September 15-16  
Mohegan Sun  
Uncasville, Connecticut

#### **ALA Region 2 Educational Conference**

October 27-28  
The Galt House  
Louisville, Kentucky

#### **Region 3 Educational Conference**

October 6-7  
Hyatt on Capitol Square  
Columbus, Ohio

#### **Region 4 Educational Conference**

October 13-14  
Grand Hyatt  
Denver, Colorado

#### **Regions 5 & 6 Educational Conference**

September 15-16  
Wyndham Palm Springs  
Palm Springs, California

#### **Law Firm Financial Management Conference & Exposition**

September 28-30  
Sheraton Inner Harbor  
Baltimore, Maryland

#### **Large Firm Principal Administrators Retreat**

September 28-30  
Pinehurst Resort  
Pinehurst, North Carolina

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## New Opportunities

### Fill Important Positions Through ALA's Job Bank

For maximum exposure, use ALA Management Connections<sup>SM</sup> when looking to fill critical support staff positions, including legal secretaries, paralegals and law clerks. ALA also offers a résumé service for those in search of new positions.

Your ALA membership provides you with discounted advertising rates. Use of the résumé service is free for members, although additional charges apply if the "blind box" service is used. Visit [www.alanet.org/jobbank](http://www.alanet.org/jobbank) or send a message to [jobs@alanet.org](mailto:jobs@alanet.org) for more information. ✱

## On the Agenda

### Key Events for ALA Members

The following calendar lists selected meetings and other events sponsored by the Association of Legal Administrators (ALA), its regions and its chapters. Also incorporated are educational programs, industry expositions and similar activities directed to the legal management profession. Visit [www.alanet.org/calendar](http://www.alanet.org/calendar) for more information, including how to submit events for inclusion in the calendar.

#### **APRIL 2006**

##### **20-22 ABA – TechShow 2006**

Sheraton Chicago Hotel and Towers  
Chicago, Illinois  
(ALA will be exhibiting)

##### **30 ALA – Certified Legal Manager (CLM) Exam**

Le Centre Sheraton  
Montréal, Québec, Canada

#### **MAY 2006**

##### **1-4 ALA Annual Educational Conference and Exposition**

Palais des congrès de Montréal  
Montréal, Québec, Canada

#### **JUNE 2006**

##### **22 ALA Webcast – Profitability Enhancement**

##### **23-25 ALA – Chapter Leadership Institute**

Westin Galleria  
Dallas, Texas

#### **JULY 2006**

##### **8-12 American Association of Law Libraries Annual Meeting**

St. Louis Convention Center  
St. Louis, Missouri  
(ALA will be exhibiting)

#### **AUGUST 2006**

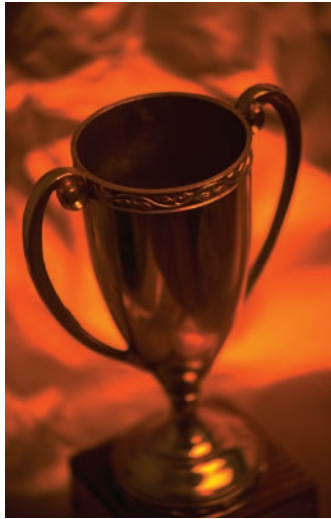
##### **20-23 International Legal Technology Association Annual Educational Conference**

Grande Lakes  
Orlando, Florida  
(ALA will be exhibiting)

## Enter to Win

### Deadline Approaching to Submit Entries for 2006 Burton Awards

ALA is once again proud to remind you of its continued association with The Burton Awards in Legal Achievement. Only ALA members will be able to submit publications they produced for consideration for "Best Law Firm/Law Department Publication" and "Best Law Firm/Law Department Newsletter." In addition, only ALA members can submit entries for the "Best Law Firm Compendium," "Best Law Firm Advertisement" and the "Best Law Firm Profile." Awards will be given for first place and for honorable mention in each category. All entries must be received by March 31. For more information, or to download an application form, visit [www.burtonawards.com](http://www.burtonawards.com). \*



## Peace of Mind

### ALA Co-Sponsors New Insurance Programs

The numerous insurance programs available for ALA Members and their firms provide a range of valuable services. One program offers a "rainmaker" product that includes extremely reasonable life insurance rates and a tax-favorable investment vehicle that protects the assets of your highly compensated staff. ALA Members can also sign up for policies that protect their employers against lawsuits relating to discrimination, wrongful termination, failure to make partner and harassment. In another policy, employers can offer long-term care insurance to employees on a voluntary or payroll deduction basis.



To learn more about these programs and several others available now, visit [www.alanet.org/whatsnew/abij/index.html](http://www.alanet.org/whatsnew/abij/index.html). \*

## Help Employers Find You

### Did you know....

- ▶ Posting your résumé in ALA's job bank will increase your visibility.
- ▶ ALA's job bank is a prime resource for employers who prefer not to advertise an open position.
- ▶ Employers regularly search ALA's job bank for potential job candidates.

[www.alanet.org/jobbank](http://www.alanet.org/jobbank)

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