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Susan L. French Emerging Leader Fellowship Program 2019 Recipients

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The Susan L. French Emerging Leader Fellowship Fund was established by GLJ Benefit Consultants in memory of former ALA President Susan L. French. The foundation of this program is to recognize and honor Susan's commitment to professionalism, dedication to the advancement of law firm administration, development of future leaders, and record of long-term service to the Association of Legal Administrators. In 2019, Jess Beyer and Emily Spehar were bestowed the honor of the Fellowship and for the last two years, have had the privilege of experiencing the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.

The first year of this two-year fellowship program provides tuition and a travel stipend to ALA's Chapter Leadership Institute and enrollment in the interactive online series, Elevate Your Professional Presence, along with a presentation module, presented by Judy Hissong, CLM, President, Nesso Strategies, Inc. During the second year, fellows will continue their leadership mentoring and course curriculum with the opportunity to participate in an additional interactive, leadership-based program.

Participation in the program includes the expectation of full engagement by the fellowship recipient. Program participants will be assigned a mentor for the first year and will assume a mentorship role for future fellowship recipients in the second year. If all program requirements are met, a complimentary registration and travel stipend to ALA's Annual Conference & Expo may be extended to recipients. Learn more about this program.

Join co-hosts Rob Joyner and Amanda Koplos as they sit down behind the mic with Jess and Emily and get a first-hand look at what the Fellowship meant to them and how their career trajectory changed.



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