President’s Message
by Bonnie Shucha, University of Wisconsin Law Library

It’s hard to believe that another exceptional LLAW year is coming to a close. We attended some interesting programs, had a couple new initiatives and publications, and even won an award!

We hit things off to a fun start this program year with a meeting at Miller Park in which Milwaukee Brewers President & CEO, Ulice Payne, shared some interesting insights on marketing. At our second quarterly membership meeting, we learned some good techniques for avoiding and managing conflict in the workplace from Harry Webne-Behrman of Collaborative Initiative, Inc.

The second half of our program year began with our February membership meeting featuring a program entitled “Trends in Technology” which offered some great tips for incorporating technology tools into our law libraries. In April, we went Hollywood at a joint program with the South Central Library System and the Wisconsin Chapter of Special Libraries entitled, “The Hollywood Librarian.” Speaker, Ann Seidl treated us to some highlights from her documentary-in-progress on images of librarians in film. At our final membership meeting in May, we geared up for the AALL Annual Meeting by playing “Let’s Make a Deal” for some fabulous (and some silly) Boston-themed prizes.

A highlight this year has been LLAW’s article publishing campaign which was recently awarded an AALL/West Excellence in Marketing Award! I’m so proud of all our authors. While educating readers, your articles have helped law librarians earn some valuable recognition in the greater legal community. If you are attending the AALL Annual Meeting in Boston, look for incoming president, Ted Potter, who will be giving a presentation about our project at the Public Relations Committee Showcase. [To learn more about LLAW’s article publishing campaign, see our March 2004 AALL Spectrum article entitled, “Write and Reach Out.”]

The Public Access to Legal Information Committee’s guide entitled, Introduction to Legal Materials: A Manual for Non-Law Librarians in Wisconsin has also done quite well this year. PALI Committee Chair, Sunil Rao, estimates that at least 70 copies of the print guide have been sold. And it is likely that many other readers have accessed the guide from our Web site as well. The LLAW Executive Board recently granted permission to the Missouri Bar to use our manual as a

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LLAW BOARD MEETING

Fourth Quarterly Board Meeting
Law Librarians Association of Wisconsin
Thursday May 6, 2004
Hi-Way Harry’s
Johnson Creek, WI
5:30 pm

I. President Bonnie Shucha called the meeting to order at approximately 5:50 pm.


Absent: Carol Bannen, Tony Chan, Julia Jaet, Melissa Mooney, Laura Olsen Dugan, Carol Schmitt, Kellee Selden-Huston, Amy Thornton.

II. Minutes for the February 9, 2004 (Third Quarterly) Board Meeting were approved.

III. Treasurer’s Report (Pat Ellingson)

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Pat noted that there is one outstanding check in the amount of $35.00 to Imperial Gardens dated 9/29/03; it is assumed that this check will not be cashed.

IV. President’s Report – Bonnie thanked everyone for their commitment this year, and offered a special thanks to Ted for stepping in as interim President during her maternity leave. She congratulated next year’s LLAW officers: Bev Butula, Vice President/President Elect; Jim Mumm, Treasurer; Diane Duffey, continuing as Secretary; and Ted Potter, President.

V. Committee Reports

Archives – No report.

Government Relations – Tony reported (via Bonnie) that he is following developments on 2003 WI Act 207 on disclosure of library records of a minor to parent or guardian. AALL filed an amicus brief in March 2004 in the U.S Supreme Court case Cheney v. U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, supporting broad access to government records. H.R. 3261, the Database Protection Bill, was introduced recently. House Resolution 507 declared April 20, 2004 National Library Workers’ Day.

Grants – No report.

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LLAW MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Fourth Quarterly General Membership Meeting
Law Librarians Association of Wisconsin
Thursday May 6, 2004
Hi-Way Harry’s
Johnson Creek, WI
7:00 pm

I. President Bonnie Shucha called the meeting to order at approximately 7:20 pm. THERE WAS NOT A QUORUM AT THIS MEETING.

II. Minutes for the February 26, 2004 (Third Quarterly) Meeting could not be approved, since there was not a quorum.

III. Treasurer’s Report

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IV. President’s Report – Bonnie thanked Bridget MacMillan of Lexis-Nexis for sponsoring dessert and gifts. She announced that the Board had voted to create a special Bylaws Committee. Bonnie will chair the committee, and Connie Von Der Heide will be part of it. Bonnie thanked everyone for a good year, and presented LLAW officers with certificates of recognition for their contribution to the organization.

V. Committee Reports

Archives – No report.

Government Relations – Bonnie recapitulated Tony Chan’s report that he is following developments on 2003 WI Act 207 on disclosure of library records of a minor to parent or guardian. On the federal level, AALL filed an amicus brief in March 2004 in the U.S Supreme Court case Cheney v. U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, supporting broad access to government records. H. R. 3261, the Database Protection Bill, was introduced recently. House Resolution 507 declared April 20, 2004 National Library Workers’ Day.

Grants – Ted Potter, Sara Paul, Laura Rose and Jenny Zook are the recipients of grants for AALL.

Membership – No report.

Newsletter – The Newsletter Committee is still accepting submissions for the next newsletter; people can send items to Bev by Monday, or to Julia Jaet after that.

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**Membership** – No report.

**Newsletter** – People may still submit items for the newsletter to Bev by Monday, or to Julia Jaet after that. The next newsletter will be issued very soon.

**Nominating** – No report.

**Placement** – No report.

**Program** – The committee is working on ideas for next year. Ted said that they are considering joining a multi-regional meeting with the Ohio Regional Association of Law Libraries to be held in Indianapolis in October 2005. ORALL has not requested any seed money yet. Ted may call ORALL to ask about their interest.

**Public Access** – Sunil received an email from the Media Relations Director for the Missouri Bar, who asked for permission to use LLAW’s Introduction to Legal Research guide as a model for a Missouri guide. He said LLAW would be given credit. The Board approved this. Paula Seeger will be the new PALI chair. She is working on her modification of the PALI guide for self-represented litigants. Diane Medcalf said the MALC group may be interested in the PALI guide, and will check with them.

**Public Relations** - Laura (via Bonnie) inquired if someone would be willing to set up the LLAW booth at the AALL Meeting. It was suggested to have a grant recipient take care of the set-up. Laura can coordinate with Amy Thornton. Sunil will get PALI guide order forms to Laura.

**Articles Subcommittee** - Carol Bannen reported (via Bonnie) that LLAW will have articles in the Wisconsin Lawyer through the fall, and articles monthly in Wisconsin Law Journal, as well as some articles in the Wisconsin Association of Legal Administrators Newsletter. This project has been submitted for the AALL Excellence in Marketing Award for Best Campaign. During the AALL Annual Meeting, this project will be presented at the AALL Public Relations Committee Showcase, and Ted will be speaking about it on July 10th.

**Web Site** – Amy Gannaway reported that the LLAW listservs have been having some problems recently. One can’t send messages from email client, but must be logged in to the AALL server. She is looking into this.

**Digitization Committee** – Ted said that bids from vendors for digitization have come in on the high side. The Revisor of Statutes Bureau has begun to make recent historical information available and accessible via hyperlink from current information on the web site. However, Ted expressed concern that the retrospective information in the documents kept at Quarles & Brady may be lost if the firm decides to jettison the paper materials. Rebecca Schultz will not continue as chair of this committee, so someone will be needed to take over and look into the possibility of scanning the older materials and being in touch with the RSB.

VI. **Old Business** - No old business to report.

VII. **New Business**

LLAW Representative at CONELL - Bonnie inquired whether LLAW should try to send a volunteer to represent LLAW at CONELL, the Consortium of Newer Law Librarians, this year. The Board
National Library Legislative Day Honors Senator Feingold
by Sue Center, University of Wisconsin Law Library

National Library Legislative Day was held on Capitol Hill on May 4 with over 500 delegates participating from throughout the country. This was the largest delegation ever to assemble for this purpose. The Wisconsin Delegation was well-represented by Nancy Beszhak (WEMA), Tom & Lee Brown (SCLS), Don Bulley (South Milwaukee Public Library Trustee), Sue Center (WLA Federal Relations Coordinator), Terry Dawson (SRLAAW and WLA President-Elect), Richard Grobschmidt (Wisconsin Assistant Superintendent of Public Instruction), Jessica MacPhail (SRLAAW), Mark Morse (SRLAAW), Pamela Penn (WASL), Bob Smiley (WEMA), Jack Taft (SCLS), and Kristi and Roger Williams (SCLS).

As we visited the offices of our 10 elected officials to present our message, we highlighted the following key issues:

▪ Fund the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) at $232 million to enhance shared public access to information, promote the use of technology, encourage the sharing of resources, and other collaborations and outreach not feasible across local and state boundaries.

▪ Fund the Improving Literacy Through School Libraries at $100 million to increase student achievement by providing books, professional development for school librarians, increase collaborations among teachers and librarians, and expand access to the school library during non-school hours.

▪ Encourage support of the Consumer Access to Information Act of 2004 (H.R. 3872), which narrowly defines the definition of misappropriation of a database and calls for Federal Trade Commission oversight and enforcement while prohibiting private parties the right to sue.

▪ Seek additional sponsors and support for the Digital Consumer Media Rights Act (DMCRA – H.R. 107) which reaffirms fair use in the digital environment.

▪ Seek co-sponsorship of the Security and Freedom Ensured Act (SAFE – S. 1709) which would require

2004 TRIPLL Conference
by Bev Butula, Davis & Kuelthau, s.c.

It was an honor to be a member of the 2004 LexisNexis Teaching Research in Private Law Libraries (TRIPLL) conference held April 2 – 4 in Dallas. The mission statement for this year’s conference was: Envision, Plan and Deliver. And, did it deliver! The weekend was full of networking, seminars, and food.

Eleven sessions were scheduled over the three days. Each filled with information, challenges, and insight. The council did a wonderful job selecting topics and presenting them. The highlight was the two “faculty” speakers (professional presenters), Dr. Ollie Malone and Sandra Yancey.

While this article cannot even come close to providing the information gained from the conference, I would like to outline a small portion of the seminars and highlights.

1. Putting on our Training Caps –

This session discussed the transition from “telling them” to “training them”. It is common knowledge that the role of librarian continues to change due to smaller physical collections and budgets. Librarians continue to provide quality services on less. When something is removed, the librarian finds another way to provide the information. The key is to acknowledge the changing resources and alter the skill set to provide uncompromised service. This service may result in more training of patrons, other librarians, and ourselves.

We discussed the many obstacles to beginning or enhancing a firm “training program”. Commonly, they include: Attendance, time needed to plan, varying level of patrons, budget, management buy-in, priority of training, crossing “IT” territory, etc. There are possible solutions to each of these problems, but generally it was concluded that support/recognition from management was a key. The value (monetarily, educationally, and in terms of efficiency) of continuing education provided by the library staff must be quantified, understood, and communicated.

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the FBI to articulate specific facts to the Court for records sought under the USA PATRIOT Act including the fact that the FBI has “reason to believe” that the person whose records are sought is “a foreign power or an agent of a foreign power” (a suspected terrorist or spy); the SAFE Act would also exempt libraries from “national security letters” (under Sec. 505) and would add Sec. 505 to the provisions that will sunset on December 31, 2005.

- Seek co-sponsorship and support of the SAFE Act in the House (H.R. 3352) and the Freedom to Read Protection Act (H.R. 1157).

- Promote permanent public access to government information, maintain a healthy Depository Library Program, and support funding for the Government Printing Office.

In addition to asking for support for these issues, we expressed appreciation for passage of the Museum and Library Services Act which was signed into law last September and for making telecommunications affordable through the E-Rate program which has been very successful under the Federal Communications Commission as one of the universal service programs.

Following the congressional meetings, a reception was held at which Senator Russell Feingold (D-WI) and Representative Bernie Sanders (D-VT) received special recognition from Friends of Libraries of the USA in appreciation of their efforts and proposed legislation to limit the excesses of the PATRIOT Act. Most of the Wisconsin Delegation turned out in force for this national celebration and to applaud these 2 elected officials for their dedication and support of the individual right to privacy and for promoting and guarding access to libraries where all citizens may freely read, explore, and satisfy their information needs. Bob Smiley presented Senator Feingold with WEMA signatures collected at the WEMA Legislative Forum and Sue Center similarly presented Senator Feingold with signature collected at the WAAL Conference. Wisconsin pride was in abundance and it was a fitting conclusion to a very successful and hopefully effective day of library advocacy.

Marquette University Construction

Marquette University Law Library is in the midst of construction both inside and outside its building.

As many of you already know, the Marquette Interchange reconstruction project has begun and will continue until its completion in 2008. This has necessitated the closing of some streets around the University (Clybourn Street) and changing one-way streets into two-way traffic (Wells, State, and 11th Street). Remodeling projects are also taking place in Sensenbrenner Hall and in the Law Library, as we accommodate our growing faculty and student body. The Law Library will remain open throughout these projects and our staff is available to assist those who need to use our facilities.

For the latest construction information, including best driving routes and maps, go to http://www.marquette.edu/interchange
Nominating – No report.

Placement – No report.

Program – The Program Committee is considering the possibility of LLAW’s joining a multi-regional meeting with the Ohio Regional Association of Law Libraries to be held in Indianapolis in October 2005. Diane Medcalf is continuing as Program Committee co-chair with Bev Butula.

Public Access – Paula Seeger (incoming Chair) is working on a guidebook for pro se litigants and members of the public with little or no legal background or experience in using legal resources.

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VI. Old Business – no old business to report.

VII. New Business

CONELL – the Board had decided that it would be unnecessary to send an LLAW representative to CONELL, the Consortium of Newer Law Librarians, this year.

WLA Invitation to Offer Testimony at Hearing for State Budget Priorities for Libraries in 2005-07 - The Wisconsin Library Association has asked LLAW if it is interested in offering testimony, which can be in writing, in support of county libraries and training for public librarians in legal research. Paula Seeger showed interest in drawing something up for this.

VIII. Other Announcements

Paula Seeger, Reference/Outreach Services Librarian at Dane County Legal Research Center, was awarded a Community Professional Service Award at the Dane County Annual Bar Association Annual Law Day Pro Bono Breakfast.

Jim Mumm is serving on the AALL Fair Business Practice Guide Implementation Task Force, and

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model for their own guide, which they will use in a Missouri Library Association legal research course for non-law librarians.

Finally, I’d like to give a well deserved thanks to the 2003-2004 LLAW Executive Board, our committee members, and library school liaisons, as well as to our vendor sponsors. It is because of your dedication that LLAW continues to be an excellent outlet for learning, sharing, and fellowship for Wisconsin’s law librarians. It has been a pleasure serving as LLAW President this year. I thank you all for the opportunity.

Have a great summer,
Bonnie

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LLAW Grants Awarded

The Grants Committee is pleased to announce that Sara Paul (Wisconsin Department of Justice Law Library) and Genevieve Zook (UW Law Library) will each receive $750 grants from LLAW to attend AALL's Annual Meeting & Conference this summer in Boston. Laura La Rose (UW-Milwaukee School of Information Studies and Davis & Kuelthau) was awarded a free full registration to attend the meeting. Watch for articles from these three summarizing the programs they attended in a future issue of the LLAW Newsletter.

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agreed this was not necessary.

AALL Chapter VIP - Bonnie said that applications for sending a VIP to send to AALL Annual Meeting – someone outside of the law library community – are due June 11th; but it was decided not to pursue this for this year.

Creation of Special Bylaws Committee - Bonnie, as Immediate Past President, plans to review the bylaws to see where they can be updated. Subjects to consider include the Web Site Committee and electronic balloting. The Board approved a motion to create a special Bylaws Committee, which included a sunset provision of one year.

VIII. Other Announcements – Pat Ellingson thanked LLAW for its contribution to the Ronald McDonald House in her husband’s memory.

IX. Adjournment – the meeting adjourned at 6:20 pm.

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this group is looking for people who have made use of the Fair Business Guide Practices with vendors to offer a testimonial on that experience.

Connie announced that LLAW, as an affiliate of the Wisconsin Library Association, will be listed as a cosponsor for the following 3 programs at the WLA annual conference, November 2-5, Lake Geneva: Management Strategies for One Person Librarians: Tips & Tricks; and The Visible Librarian: Tips & Tricks for Asserting Your Value with Marketing and Advocacy, both presented by Judith Siess, President, Information Bridges International and sponsored by AWSL, the WLA special librarians division; and The Patriot Act & Other Legal Issues Affecting Libraries, presented by Tom Lipinski and sponsored by WLTA, the WLA library trustees division.

IX. The business portion of the meeting was concluded at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Duffey, Secretary

PROGRAM: The business meeting was followed by an LLAW spin on the gameshow, “Let’s Make A Deal.” Several fabulous prizes were awarded.
2. Build It on Firm Ground And They Will Come –

The key factors in developing a solid training program are:

a. Analyze your firm’s situation
   - Firm structure & culture
   - Economy of firm and dealing with costs of online searching
   - Do you have statistics to support the library?
   - What is the make-up of the collection – print & electronic resources

b. Build a case for training
   - Loss of books translates into staff understanding electronic sources
   - Software or CD’s eliminated or replaced by strictly online
   - Younger associates raised on computers, but cannot connect cost with surfing
   - Partners not familiar with the various aspects of technology

c. Choose your allies
   - Secure support from someone who can “roar” and “encourage” participation
   - Speak to managing partner or executive team for support. Explain the monetary value.

d. Strategy for strong attendance
   - Market
   - Include allies’ names in email promotions
   - Have supporting partner in attendance - have them do the opening words
   - Sign in sheet - In house CLE possible?

e. Follow-up
   - Email copy of presentation or handout to those who did not attend and cc: supporting partner
   - Schedule a follow-up session or interview
   - Provide session again for other practice areas or those who could not attend
   - Attend practice group meetings to poll patrons on training topics and issues

3. Beyond Smile Sheets –

This session stressed the importance of conducting evaluations when the training program is completed. Evaluation needs to go beyond the general good/bad ranking. Consider several aspects to truly evaluate the success of training. How effective was the course? How effective was the trainer? What learning occurred? What was the overall impact?

Evaluations can be reactive, learning based, transfer based, or impact based. Reaction evaluations deal with how the learner feels about the training. Learning evaluations measure new knowledge and skills. Transfer evaluations show how the skill can be used on the job. Overall impact evaluations look at return on investment, benefit to organization, and overall results.

To ensure a quality evaluation, include that as part of the initial planning. Select which evaluation tools are to be used. Identify training objectives and make sure training is the best option in relaying the information. Keep the evaluation simple with open-ended questions. Consider including a quiz with the announcement of the training. This way the patrons will understand what they will be learning and the trainer can find out what they do or do not know.

4. Stand & Deliver –

There are basically four aspects to effective presentation skills – preparing yourself, creating visual aids, handling the audience, and the delivery. This session delved into becoming a better presenter and dealing with the issues that will sell you as the key part of the program.

To make a strong presentation, the speaker must be relaxed and prepared. Know your information! Do some relaxation exercises. Review your materials. Have at least your opening lines written on NUMBERED cards as a back up.

Creating visual aids is an important complement to a presentation. Remember it is an aid, not the entire presentation. Don’t put everything in a PowerPoint presentation. Use a variety of methods and items to increase retention rates. Engage the audience and remember that the most important visual aid is you!

The key when delivering your information is to: Tell them what you are going to tell them, tell them, and tell them what you told them. It seems basic but is often overlooked. Body language and voice quality are also important to delivery. Another key is to continually read the audience reaction. Make sure you

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summarize your point before moving on to the next one and end memorably.

Everyone has had problems dealing with audience members when training. A suggested technique is to have the audience list “successful practices” or define expected behaviors. That way if bad behaviors occur, you can refer them back to the list. Also create a “Parking lot” to list items that may not be on task or when someone appears to be going off on a tangent. Put it in the “parking lot” to be addressed at the end or individually. Ask for feedback or ideas from the audience, if applicable. Keep them involved. Make sure you as the speaker remains in control and that the audience leaves feeling informed.

Summary

The 2004 TRIPLL conference is something that LexisNexis can be proud of and I encourage all private law librarians to apply in the future. I have given you a “slice” of the entire program. The greatest benefit to me was the networking opportunities. It was a pleasure to meet law librarians from throughout the United States. Sharing ideas resulted in me becoming a more educated librarian. The value of that is immeasurable.

Membership News


Heidi Frostead, Marquette University Law Library, has been chosen to participate in the Teaching Research in Academic Law Libraries taking place July 7-9 in Boston.

Mary Jones, U.S. Courts Librarian, is the recipient of the Founder’s Award (Eastern District of Wisconsin Bar Association) for her role in the Eastern District Historical Project.

Laura LaRose, a May graduate of UW-Milwaukee’s SOIS, will be joining Davis & Kuelthau, s.c. as an acquisition and reference librarian.


Paula Seeger, Reference/Outreach Services Librarian at the Dane County Legal Research Center, was presented with a Community Professional Service Award by the Dane County Bar Association for her work in making the formerly named Dane County Law Library into a true pro se self-help center.

Heidi Yelk, Wisconsin State Law Library Reference Librarian, and Laura Olsen Dugan, Thomson West Westlaw Trainer, co-taught an online legal research course on April 26, 2004 to a group of students from MATC’s paralegal studies program.
ASIL Conference is a Learning Opportunity for International Law Librarians
by Heidi Frostestad, Marquette University Law Library

The American Society of International Law (ASIL) held its 98th Annual Meeting, “Mapping New Boundaries: Shifting Norms in International Law,” from March 31st to April 3rd, 2004 in Washington, DC. Again this year, I was able to attend many informative sessions that addressed hot topics in the international legal scene, and premier scholars answered questions for practitioners, students, and legal information providers for advancement of research and increased clarity on particularly difficult issues.

Some of the most interesting sessions addressed the genocide in Rwanda, the problems that the Alien Tort Statute is encountering in current litigation, occupation law and the war in Iraq, treaties in U.S. law, and the jurisdiction of the WTO. Perhaps the most exciting and highly anticipated portion of the conference, though, was the keynote address given by Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia on the use of foreign law in American opinions, especially confronting the current trend of citing to foreign case law on the Supreme Court. Like Scalia’s negative views of the use of legislative histories for the interpretation of vague statutes, he similarly does not agree with using foreign case law, travaux preparatoires, or other foreign statutes to help guide interpretations of U.S. law in the Supreme Court, except when dealing with interpretation of treaties in the private international law context. Citing some modern references to the use of foreign law in the current death penalty and sodomy cases, Justice Scalia continued to reiterate to his audience that citing to foreign law would have fatal implications for our Constitutional provisions and reliance on these decisions goes beyond our founders’ intent because he advocates a “living” Constitution (looking to the text of the Constitution and nothing else…). He further gave the example that the U.S. couldn’t possibly be a party to the EU Convention on Cybercrime because this convention would limit the rights given to U.S. citizens by the First Amendment, and, overall, posited the belief that U.S. law should only be relied upon because it is better than other foreign systems and reliance on foreign decisions increases the discretion of judges in a way that is disastrous.

One of the other highlights of my trip was a luncheon with other international law librarians at the Tillar...
LLAW Wins
Excellence in Marketing Award

Congratulations to Carol Bannen and to all of the LLAW writers who participated in the Articles Campaign, for their success in winning the AALL / West Excellence in Marketing Award for Best Campaign!

“LLAW members have been terrific in submitting articles and I hope to continue the momentum into future years.” [Carol Bannen]

This is a major accomplishment for LLAW and for all of the people who submitted articles.

For a bibliography of articles written by LLAW members, please go to http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/llaw/articles/index.htm.

Foreign, Comparative and International Law Special Interest Section

Do you teach an advanced legal research course that focuses on foreign, comparative or international law? The Foreign, Comparative and International Law Special Interest Section is re-designing its webpage and updating our course materials currently accessible at: http://brkl.brooklaw.edu/screens/fcilsis.html. We welcome new submissions of all types of course materials including syllabi, reading lists, PowerPoint slides, handouts, bibliographies, assignments, final exams and final projects.

Materials in HTML and non-HTML formats are welcome - the SIS will facilitate conversion to PDF or HTML formats and will host the materials if necessary.

If you know of others who teach ALR-FCIL please encourage them to submit materials.

Please contact Lee Peoples at lpeoples@okcu.edu if you are willing to share your materials.
RECOMMEND READINGS
BY Cindy May, University Of Wisconsin Law Library


The author offers tips for effective PowerPoint presentations.


LLAW member Carol Bannen suggests both free and fee-based Web resources for locating people, political affiliations and contributions, criminal records, assets, corporate affiliations, and credit checks.


LLAW members Carol Bannen and Bonnie Shucha extol the value of chapter initiatives to place members' articles in a variety of state law publications, focusing on LLAW's Wisconsin campaign.


This comment reviews the history of the copyright power and of copyright term extensions, and then argues that the Supreme Court's decision in Eldred v. Ashcroft was in error by analyzing the dissenting opinions of Stevens and Breyer.


The author discusses the major areas of contemporary native law in Alaska, including land, hunting, and fishing rights. An annotated bibliography is included.


This note analyzes case law that affects clickwrap agreements and concludes that such agreements are valid and enforceable against both online vendors and consumers.


Deep linking is the practice of creating a link to a Web page that the owner of the targeted Web page does not define as the proper page from which users should begin accessing the Web site. This note argues that Congress should draft specific exemptions to any database protection legislation in order to exempt liability for deep linking.

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This article examines the public benefit rationale and the property right rationale of copyright law from a historical perspective.


LLAW member Jennifer Dedolph offers search tips for the Wisconsin Circuit Court's Consolidated Court Automation Program (CCAP) and the Wisconsin Department of Financial Institutions' Corporate Registration Information System (CRIS).


In this article, Jennifer Dedolph introduces Wisconsin's legal community to the rich array of resources available through Badgerlink, which provides free access for Wisconsin residents to Wisconsin's online union catalog WISCAT, as well as EBSCO and ProQuest databases.


This article discusses the rapid consolidation that occurred in the legal publishing industry during the 1990's, considers current database legislation, and considers the possible effects of these changes.


Ms. Duffey, LLAW member and librarian at Habush Habush & Rottier in Milwaukee, recommends some strategies and Web sites to consider when looking for information on expert witnesses.


This pathfinder covers the recent trend toward legislation mandating enhanced sentences for repeat offenders, popularly known as three strike laws. California's three strike legislation is the most often cited, hence the pathfinder's emphasis on that state.


Section 1201 of the Digital Millennium Copyright Act prohibits circumvention of copyright owners' protective technologies. This note argues that Section 1201 is necessary to ensure that copyright law is able to progress and advance in the digital world, and that Section 1201 does not hinder fair use, copyright's balance, or the public domain.


This month's "Copyright Corner" column discusses the *Database and Collections of Information Misappro- (Please see Recommended Readings on page 16)
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Appropriation Act of 2003. While the library, research and scholarly communities consider this bill a considerable improvement over earlier ones, they continue to oppose database protection legislation.


This annual update, now in its twentieth year, highlights additions, changes, and enhancements on LexisNexis, Westlaw, Loislaw, and VersusLaw. A final section adds miscellaneous information about the services, from mergers to awards to fun facts.


In United States v. American Library Association, the Supreme Court held that the filtering provisions of the Children's Internet Protection Act are constitutional and are a valid exercise of Congress's spending power because they don't induce public libraries to violate their patrons' first Amendment rights. This case note discusses the decision and its implications.


The author, using the example of peer-to-peer file sharing, argues that information ownership should be based on a property model that recognizes the dynamic relationship and interdependence of private and common property uses.


This is the first in a series of articles designed to assist anyone not in the legal profession in locating legal materials. Readers are introduced to the structure of our legal system, and the legal materials created by each branch of government are identified and explained.


The author proposes a new uniform standard for willful copyright infringement in which willfulness would be defined as conduct more blameworthy than the current standard allows.


In 1998, Congress extended the term of both unexpired and future copyrights by twenty years. The Supreme Court upheld that extension against constitutional challenge in Eldred v. Ashcroft. This case note discusses the decision and its implications.

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This article develops a theory to explain the concept of the public domain and its various uses in intellectual property law and areas involving government secrecy. The author argues that the public domain is now in threat of extinction.


In this edited transcript of a lecture delivered at the University of Montana School of Law, Prof. Lessig talks about the importance of preserving creativity in the face of increasingly restrictive copyright laws.


This text is adapted from a keynote address on cyberlaw given by Prof. Lessig at a conference on technology and governance held at Loyola University Chicago School of Law.


This bibliography of secondary materials published 1990-2003 is divided into nine sections: General information, Foreign investment law, Corporation and securities law, Contract law, Competition, Product liability and consumer protection, Intellectual property law, Arbitration and dispute solution, and other bibliographies.


Mr. Matheson discusses the impact on libraries of a movement toward viewing information as a service that must be licensed rather than purchased, and the potential effects on libraries were intellectual property to be protected through contract law rather than copyright and property law.


Through numerous quotes from lawyers and judges on both sides of the controversy, this article reviews the debate surrounding Proposed Rule 32.1 of the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure, which would forbid all federal appeals courts from placing restrictions on the citation of unpublished opinions.


Citations are arranged under the following topics: Women in the legal profession, Women lawyers of color, Balanced lives, Judiciary, Legal education, Task force studies, Feminist legal theory, Pioneer women lawyers, and Women's legal issues in popular culture: television, movies, and books.

This comment argues that the focus of the debate over unpublished opinions must shift from constitutional and policy arguments to the courts' publication guidelines themselves, with a goal of producing guidelines that will result in unpublished opinions that truly have no precedential value.


Reese, R. Anthony. "Copyright Term Extension and the Scope of Congressional Copyright Power."  

The author examines the Eldred decision on copyright extension and how it signals the increased relevance of international copyright relations for domestic copyright law.

Sandford, Diane. "Wisdom From the Grammar Goddess: Possessed."  


This essay reviews, analyzes, and assesses the significance of Dastar Corp. v. Twentieth Century Fox Film Corp., in which the Supreme Court ruled that creative works in the public domain cannot be protected from uncredited copying under the guise of trademark law.


The New York Times explains why librarians are better than search engines. How sweet it is.

Smith, Michael M. "Knowledge Management: A Guide to Resources on the Internet."  

The Web sites annotated in this guide offer a wide variety of information on knowledge management provided by academic/research organizations, information portals, consultants, and governmental and nonprofit organizations.


This note seeks to draw a distinction between the Supreme Court's treatment of First Amendment challenges to traditional copyright protections and to challenges to the Digital Millennium Copyright Act, concluding that in the latter case the Court's reasoning is unpersuasive and disingenuous.


Vargas, Jorge A. "Mexican Law on the Web: The Ultimate Research Guide."  

According to the compiler, this electronic guide has been prepared to assist anyone interested in having

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prompt and expeditious access to the best Internet Web sites on Mexican law. "Best" indicates that the legal information is accurate, reliable, relatively current, and authoritative, based upon the prestige and reputation of the sponsoring entities: government agencies and major academic institutions from Mexico and the U.S.


In this eye-opener, the author explains that commercial search engines are in the advertising business, not the search business. They earn the vast majority of their revenue by delivering context-sensitive advertising, principally by leasing search keywords. Of the major search engines, only Google still keeps paid results out of its main listings.


The author reviews several Web-based current awareness newsletters that alert readers to new Web searching technologies and interesting new Web sites.

Wardak, Leah.

This note analyzes the Supreme Court decision on library internet filtering and discusses its impact.


This article offers advice on the preparation of graphs and charts. It discusses overall style as well as specific types, such as bar charts and trend graphs, illustrated with both good and bad examples. A sidebar instructs on how to change default chart settings in Excel.


The author, using the example of a specific U.S. Supreme Court case, discusses Web sites that offer access to briefs, as well as other relevant case documents and information.


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