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LAW LIBRARY OF CONGRESS MISSION

The primary mission of the Law Library of Congress is to provide Congress with comprehensive, high-quality, timely, and innovative research on foreign, comparative, and international law, and a wide range of legal reference services.

LEFT Obverse of the King John seal (replica). *Donna Sokol*

CENTER The Lincoln Cathedral King John Magna Carta. *Courtesy Lincoln Cathedral*

RIGHT Detail of the stila in the American Bar Association Magna Carta memorial at Runnymede, England. *Courtesy American Bar Association*

LAW LIBRARIAN'S MESSAGE

I am pleased to present the fiscal 2015 Annual Report for the Law Library of Congress. As a service unit of the Library of Congress, the Law Library's primary responsibility is to provide the United States Congress, other federal government entities, and the public with research and/or reference services related to US, foreign, comparative, and international law. It is also responsible for developing, maintaining, preserving, and managing the legal and legislative collections of the Library of Congress.

The Library concluded its Magna Carta eight-hundredth anniversary celebration during this reporting period. In April, Nicholas Vincent, professor of medieval studies at the University of East Anglia, spoke at the Library and shared information about his recent discovery of the Sandwich Magna Carta dating from 1300. I was fortunate to have traveled to the United Kingdom in June to witness the main commemoration ceremony on the fields of Runnymede, and to see the rededication of the ABA Memorial.

In September, I spoke about the Library's exhibition and related educational outreach efforts during a Constitution Day event in St. Paul, Minnesota. The Law Library of Congress-curated *Magna Carta: Enduring Legacy* traveling exhibition debuted the next day at the Minnesota State Law Library. Later in the

fall, the Law Library placed a copy of the traveling exhibit on view in the newly renovated Law Library Reading Room.

While one construction project finished during this fiscal year, two other projects await completion: compact shelving replacement in the Madison Building subbasement stacks and construction for the new Law Library secure storage facility.

In January 2015, I assumed the role of Deputy Librarian of Congress while at the same time serving as Acting Law Librarian of Congress pending the appointment of a new Law Librarian. I am thrilled at the Law Library's numerous accomplishments and particularly appreciative of the Law Library staff for all they have done this year.

David S. Mao
Acting Law Librarian of Congress

2015
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NUMBERS

Products and Services

4,590

Congressional inquiries answered

15,777

Items from the Law Library's collection circulated

487

Articles written for the *Global Legal Monitor*

1,092

Hours the Law Library Reading Room was open for congressional staff

538

Research products related to foreign law provided to the public, including the Bar

3,488

Inquiries answered through the Ask a Librarian service

35,072

Users served in person, by phone, via correspondence, or electronically

Collections

2.92

Million volumes in the Law Library

15,385

Volumes reclassified from an in-house system to the Library of Congress classification system

Website and Social Media

45,544

Followers on the @LawLibCongress Twitter account

22,565

Followers on the @Congressdotgov Twitter account

238,827

Page views for In Custodia Legis

1,886,649

Page views for the Global Legal Monitor

26,916

“Likes” on Facebook

PROVIDING
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Legal Information Services

The Law Library of Congress's Global Legal Research Directorate provides the United States Congress, the judicial and executive branches, the practicing bar, and the general public with research reports and/or reference services related to US, foreign, comparative, and international law. Within the Directorate, the two Foreign, Comparative, and International Law (FCIL) Divisions cover over 240 non-US jurisdictions. The FCIL Divisions also support collection development for the Law Library's legal collection, which reflects resources in nearly 140 languages. The Public Services Division (PSD), another component of the Directorate, oversees the Law Library Reading Room and is accessible onsite, by telephone, and through electronic means.

Congress

In Fiscal 2015, FCIL staff provided 627 legal research reports, special studies, memoranda, reference responses, and in-person consultations in response to inquiries from Congress. Additionally, 61 research reports and memoranda were prepared in response to other legislative-branch agencies. The FCIL divisions prepared 487 articles on legal news and developments for the *Global Legal Monitor* (GLM), the e-publication on the



Her Royal Highness The Princess Royal (at podium) gives welcoming remarks at the Magna Carta exhibition opening ceremony, November 6, 2014. *Amanda Reynolds*

Law Library's website. The GLM website garnered 1,886,649 page views for the fiscal year.

The Law Library Reading Room was available for Congressional use whenever Congress was in session, for a total of 1,092 hours. PSD staff provided research and reference assistance to Congress and the Congressional Research Service (CRS) on a range of current topics, including federal education law, state abortion law, interpretation of the Commodity Exchange Act as modified by the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, and administration of the Rehabilitation Act.

US Federal Courts and Executive Agencies

In addition to serving Congress, the FCIL Divisions fielded inquiries from other government agencies during this fiscal year, including the judicial branch (49) and federal executive agencies (309).

The Social Security Administration (SSA) informed the Law Library that its tribunal issued a ruling based on information provided by the Law Library's foreign law specialists. This decision was recognized as having precedential value and used in four other recent rulings. The SSA asked the Law Library to publish this report on its website in order to use it as background information and to refer interested persons to the original report.

Service to the Public

The renovated Law Library Reading Room served 33,613 patrons either in person, by telephone, through digital reference services, or through written correspondence. The PSD circulated 21,976 items from the Law Library's collection. Reading Room staff also taught thirteen classes for Congressional staff and thirteen classes for



the public. The classes were held either in person or via electronic webinar.

PSD staff responded to numerous questions from the public on a wide range of US and foreign legal topics, answering a total of

- 25,056 questions in person
- 4,413 questions via telephone
- 656 questions via written correspondence
- 3,488 questions digitally and via the Ask a Librarian service.

For many responses, PSD staff provided historical legal information. Examples include the following:

- US bill or resolution and/or related legislative history documents regarding a railroad connecting Canada to South America, which may have been named, or deal with, “Tierra del

LEFT The Magna Carta: Enduring Legacy traveling exhibition -- a joint project between the ABA Standing Committee on the Law Library of Congress and the Law Library -- debuts at the ABA Annual Meeting in Boston, August 2014. *Courtesy of American Bar Association*
 RIGHT Law Librarian David S. Mao and rare book curator Nathan Dorn prepare to shoot the Magna Carta traveling exhibition companion video in the Librarian's ceremonial office. *Donna Sokol*



Fuego,” from 1860 to 1866

- 1916 Migratory Bird Treaty
- Merchant Marine Act of 1920 (Jones Act)
- Senate resolution authorizing the Senate Judiciary Committee to oversee the Internal Security Act of 1950
- Executive Order 10530 (May 10, 1954)
- Text of Arizona Revised Statutes (ARS) § 13-673 as it was before being moved to § 13-1805 in the mid- to late-1970s, using session laws for a collection gap

FCIL staff provided 538 research products related to foreign law to the public, including the Bar. The Guide to Law Online—a public resource on government and law information by region, country, or US state—garnered 749,998 page views for the fiscal year.



Drawing on their country-specific expertise, FCIL specialists and analysts assisted the Harvard Law Review Association with preparation of the foreign jurisdiction tables for the twentieth edition of *The Bluebook: A Uniform System of Citation*, which was published in the spring of 2015. *The Bluebook* remains the leading legal citation guide in the United States. The foreign law tables comprise over 180 of *The Bluebook's* 560 pages, providing information on the court systems and legal materials of forty-three foreign jurisdictions.

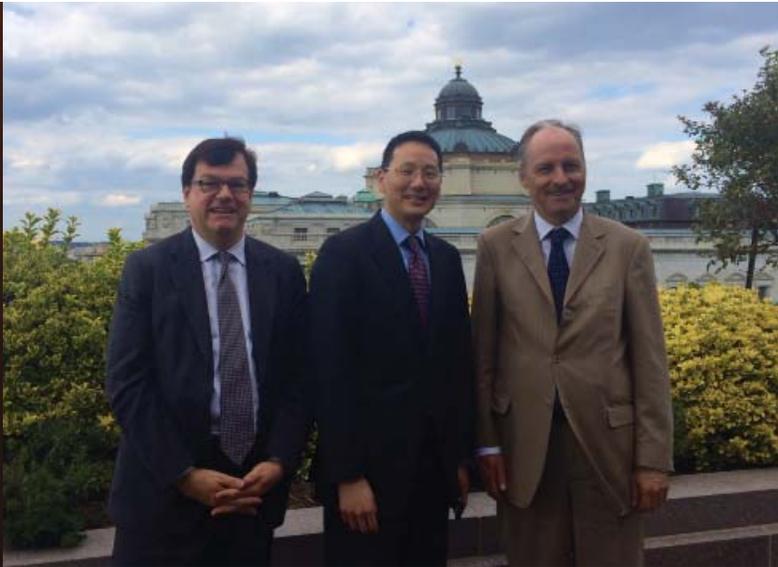
TECHNOLOGY, WEBSITE, AND SOCIAL MEDIA

Law.gov

One of the Law Library's goals this fiscal year was to make digitized US government publications, including reports by the Global Legal Research Directorate, publicly accessible via Law.gov.

LEFT Librarian of Congress James H. Billington looks on as HRH The Princess Royal addresses the audience in the Great Hall. *Amanda Reynolds*

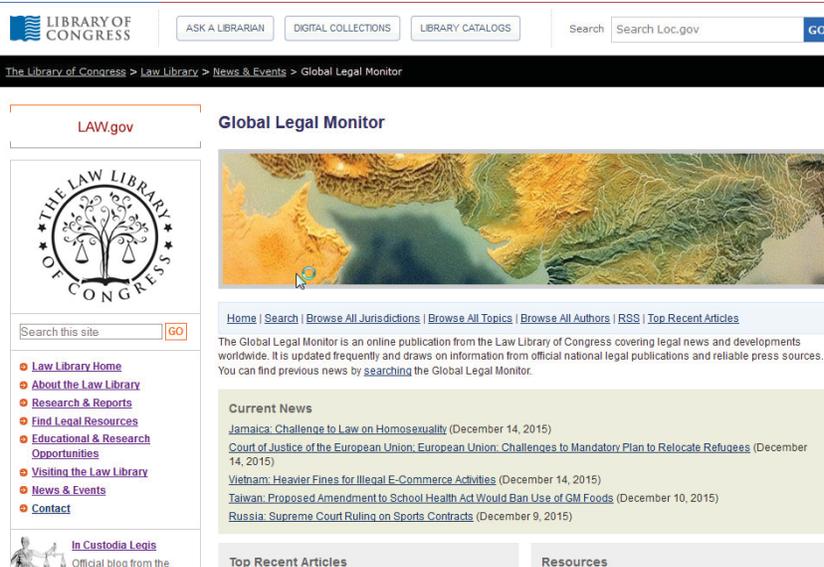
RIGHT The Howard University Singers perform on the steps of the Great Hall for the Magna Carta opening ceremony. *Amanda Reynolds*



Some examples of Global Legal Research reports uploaded to the Law Library's website include the following:

- *Constitutional Court Cases*
- *Abortion Legislation in Europe*
- *Right to Peaceful Assembly*
- *Israel: Legal Aspects of Prisoner Exchanges*
- *Child Restraint and Seatbelt Regulations*
- *Laws on Homosexuality in African Nations*
- *Bond Requirements*
- *Constitutional Provisions on National and Religious Identity in Selected Countries*
- *Foreign Intelligence Gathering Laws*
- *Crude Oil Royalty Rates in Selected Countries*
- *China: Real Property Law*
- *Germany: Privatization of Air Traffic Control*

LEFT Robert Brammer (center) gives a gallery talk in the *Magna Carta: Muse & Mentor* exhibition hall. *Donna Sokol*
RIGHT Director General for the European Parliament Research Service Anthony Teasdale (left) and Secretary General of the European Parliament Klaus Welle (right) join Law Librarian David S. Mao on the top of the Madison Building after a visit in September 2015. *Courtesy Anthony Teasdale*



- *Provisions on Child Abduction in Non-Hague Countries*
- *Legal Status of Khat*
- *Germany: Electronic Cigarettes*
- *New Zealand: 'Climate Change Refugee' Case Overview*
- *Japan: Interpretations of Article 9 of the Constitution*
- *Turkey: Counterterrorism and Justice*
- *Algeria, Morocco, and Saudi Arabia: Response to Terrorism*
- *Israel: Spousal Agreements for Couples Not Belonging to Any Religion—A Civil Marriage Option?*

A formal feedback mechanism has been instituted to evaluate customer satisfaction with research and reference products offered by the Law Library.

LEFT The homepage of the *Global Legal Monitor*. *Loc.gov/law/foreign-news*

RIGHT One of the panels at the Magna Carta: Muse & Mentor exhibition. *Andrew Weber*

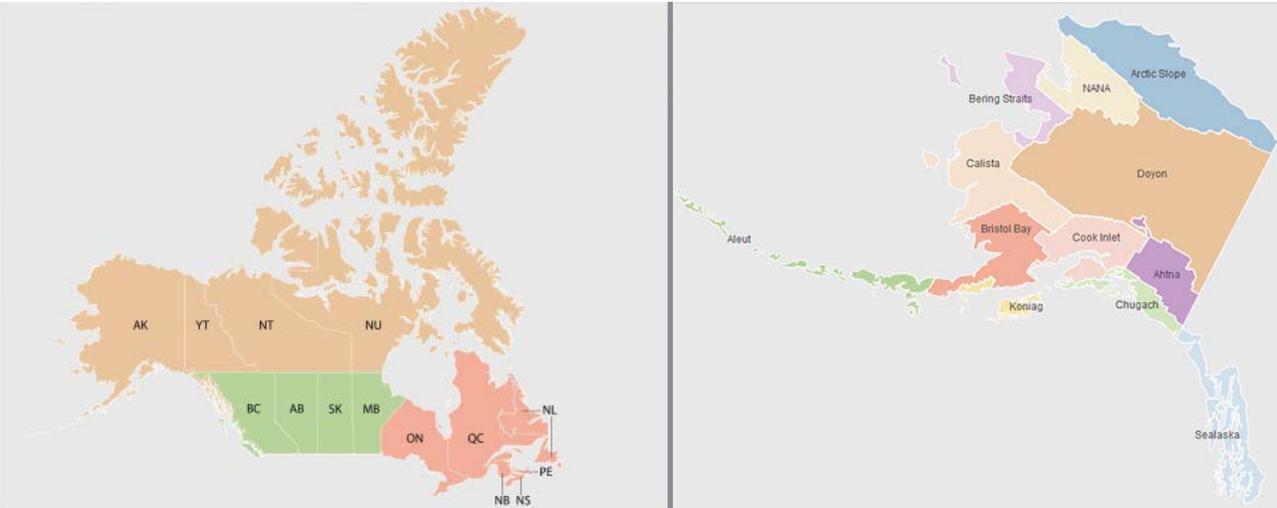
Migration of the *Global Legal Monitor* to WordPress

At the end of September 2015, the Law Library launched a more advanced web page for the *Global Legal Monitor* (GLM). The GLM is now published via WordPress, much like the blog posts for *In Custodia Legis*. While many of the changes were behind the scenes, the improvements made the production process smoother and more efficient and the final product more user friendly. An enhanced search form now allows users to find articles by text, topic, jurisdiction, author, and date. Users can also browse articles by jurisdiction, topic, and author. Another feature of this update included displaying the three most recent articles on the Law Library's homepage, Law.gov. The Law Library also worked to ensure that old links for the GLM redirect automatically to the new enhanced version.

These new developments are a good example of the Law Library's commitment to Congress and to sharing important content with the public.

Addressing Linkrot

Working with the Library's Office of the General Counsel, the Global Legal Research Directorate successfully implemented an archiving solution known as Perma.cc in September 2015 to address the problem of "linkrot" (nonworking links) in its legal research products, after providing extensive staff training. Perma.cc is a Harvard-based archiving tool that is being made available for free to law libraries and courts around the country. This tool enables the Law Library to both archive documents cited in its research work and make those archived documents available to readers in real time, using permalinks generated by Perma.cc. The Law Library of Congress is the first US government agency to implement source archiving through the Perma.cc technology.



Indigenous Law Portal

The Indigenous Law Portal (ILP) brings together collection materials from the Law Library of Congress as well as links to tribal websites and primary source materials found on the web. The portal is based on the structure of the Library of Congress Classification schedule for Law (Class K), specifically the Law of the Indigenous Peoples in the Americas (Classes KIA-KIL: North America). The Law Library launched the ILP in July of 2014 at a presentation to the American Association of Law Libraries.

In January 2015, Alaska became part of the Indigenous Law Portal, adding over 200 tribes. Because of the number of tribes residing in Alaska, the ILP segmented the geographic area using the boundaries of the Alaska Native Regional Corporations established under Chapter 33 of Title 43 of the US Code: Ahtna, Aleut, Arctic Slope, Bering Straits,

Bristol Bay, Calista, Chugach, Cook Inlet, Doyon, Koniag, NANA, and Sealaska.

Linking across the portal improved with the January update, and the alphabetical, regional, and state index pages made locating tribes and tribal information easier. The Library of Congress Name Authority File reflected the updated tribal names and organizations as each new region was added to the ILP.

In celebration of National Aboriginal Day in Canada (June 21), the Law Library launched the Canadian portion of the ILP. This new segment of the portal expanded coverage beyond the United States for the first time. The Canadian portion of the Indigenous Law Portal is divided into three regions: Eastern, Western, and Northern Canada. These regions closely follow the recently updated K Class – Law Classification. In addition to the regions, users can browse the legal information by province or alphabetically.

New Pages

The Law Library added several new web pages to Law.gov to highlight the Law Library's collections: About the Law Collections; Global & Comparative Law Resources; and Global Legal Collection Highlights.

Blawg Web Archive

The Law Library's legal blawg web archive increased the number of publically accessible blogs by approximately sixty with the Project One Web Archive update of May 2015.

Congress.gov

Top 10 Bills Viewed (113th–114th Congresses)

1. **H.R. 213** [114th] Fairness for High-Skilled Immigrants Act of 2015
2. **H.R. 1599** [114th] Safe and Accurate Food Labeling Act of 2015
3. **H.R. 83** [113th] Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015
4. **H.R. 5771** [113th] To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain expiring provisions and make technical corrections, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the tax treatment of ABLE accounts established under State programs for the care of family members with disabilities, and for other purposes
5. **H.R. 1735** [114th] National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016
6. **H.R. 647** [113th] ABLE Act of 2014
7. **H.R. 4681** [113th] Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015
8. **H.R. 240** [114th] Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2015
9. **H.Res. 758** [113th] Strongly condemning the actions of the Russian Federation, under President Vladimir Putin, which has carried out a policy of aggression against neighboring countries aimed at political and economic domination
10. **H.R. 2** [114th] Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act of 2015



Social Media

The Law Library published 228 posts on its blog, *In Custodia Legis*, making it one of the more active Library of Congress blogs. The blog garnered 283,827 page views during the fiscal year. Three new blog series—Frequently Asked Legal Questions, Global Legal Collection Highlights, and On the Shelf— were introduced this fiscal year. The posts in these series presented the most up-to-date legal and collection information.

Social Media Statistics

Name of Social Media	Date Launched	Number of Users/Followers	Percentage Increase in Past 12 Months	Number of New Users/Followers in Past 12 Months
Twitter @LawLibCongress	October 2009	45,403	3.9%	1,703
Facebook	November 2009	26,469*	9.3%	2,243
Twitter @Congressdotgov	April 2011	22,334	7.4%	1,534
<i>In Custodia Legis</i> Blog	August 2010	180,047**	-3.3%	-6,081**

*Counted as number of "Likes" to our Facebook page.

**Counted as number of page views.

LEFT Law Library staff live-Tweet an event using iPads. Donna Sokol
RIGHT The homepage of the *In Custodia Legis* blog. blogs.loc.gov/law

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Print Collections

The Law Library made several significant acquisitions this fiscal year. Highlighted below are ten items added to the collection of rare materials.

- Collection of Sixty-Six Legal Theses by Christian Thomasius (1655–1728) with three pamphlets and fifteen dissertations of Samuel Stryk (1668–1715). Some dissertations bound in volumes, others disbound or unbound with old back strips. Stamps to title page of several items. Imprints vary. Halle, 1678–1713. Mostly Quarto. Christian Thomasius (1655–1728), the “father of the German enlightenment” was professor of law at Halle for more than thirty years until his death in 1728. A progressive leader, Thomasius sought to abolish torture and witch trials and to secure the separation of church and state. His dissertations are a particularly rich original source for his legal thought.

- Penn, William [1644–1728]. [Sauer, Christoph (1695–1758), Translator and Publisher]. *Der Neue Charter, Oder Schriftliche Versicherung der Freyheiten, Welche William Penn. Esqr den Einwohnern von Pennsylvanien und Dessen Territorien Gegeben. Auf dem Englischen Original*

Übersetzt. Germantown [PA]: Gedruckt bey Christoph Saur [sic], 1743–1744. This item, the only edition of this title ever produced, was printed by the first German language printer in North America, probably as a German language rendering of *The Charters of the Province of Pennsylvania and City of Philadelphia* (Philadelphia: Benjamin Franklin, 1741). “Given to the subscribers of Sauer’s newspaper, *Der Hoch-Deutsch Pennsylvanische Geschicht-Schreiber*, as a premium in parts of eight pages each.” Evans. This is a very rare title. Only one other copy is known (Library Company, Philadelphia).

- [Magna Carta]. [Constitution, United States]. Paris: Chez Debarle, l’an II [1793–1794]. The present edition is the only one to have been created of this unique work. It is an early and very rare French translation of the United States Constitution, preceded by a translation of the Magna Carta and a brief history of the events that preceded the publication of these two seminal documents. This document represents an unusual piece of evidence of the penetration of English and American constitutional ideas through to a French reading audience during the period of the French Revolution.

- Fairburn’s Second Edition of *Magna Charta; With the Petition of Right . . . Also the Bill of Rights, of the People of England . . .* With an Engraved Frontispiece of Sir Francis Burdett, Bart. M.P. and his Letter to the Speaker of the House of Commons &c. Published by John Fairburn, 146, Minories, London, 1810. Second edition of Fairburn’s English translation of King John’s Magna Charta, among the first to be made following Blackstone’s scholarly edition in Latin some decades previously, complemented by the Petition of Right and the English Bill of Rights.



- *Traite du Jeu ou l'On Examine des Principales Questions de Droit Naturel et de Morale Qui ont du Rapport a Cette Matiere*. Amsterdam: Chez Pierre Humbert, 1709. The Law Library of Congress is fortunate to possess in its collection a strong representation of the works of the great jurist Barbeyrac, who was primarily a scholar of international law and an important theorist of Protestant natural law. The *Traite du Jeu* is a treatise on the laws concerning gambling. It argues from a natural law perspective to support a policy of legal protection for gambling. Present work is the first edition.
- Record of the Enactments of the State of Mehrin (Moravia), mid-eighteenth century. Manuscript on paper. Written in fluent Ashkenazi Hebrew in a secretarial hand. During the seventeenth century the Jews of Moravia (Mehrin) administered a sort of autonomous

LEFT The Record of the Enactments of the State of Mehrin (Moravia). Donna Sokol
 RIGHT Detail of the binding of the *Carta Executoria*. Donna Sokol



“state” of their own. The umbrella organization that united the Jewish communities of Moravia enacted 311 statutes that served as fundamental norms that applied to all of the communities. In addition to these statutes, new enactments were added (updates according to need and events), in committees that were convened from time to time in the various communities in Moravia, all of which were appended to the central composition of the Statutes of the Community of Mehrin.

- Brenz, Johann. *Ordnungen in Eesachen, 1535*. This item represents the first edition of the first publication of Protestant marriage laws. In 1534, Duke Ulrich of Württemberg imposed the Reformed religion on his subjects. He commissioned these harsh regulations and circulated them in manuscript. This printed publication may itself have been a draft form of the document.

LEFT A volume from the Year Books of Edward V to Henry VIII. *Donna Sokol*
RIGHT Detail of the binding of *Traite du Jeu*. *Donna Sokol*



- Year Books of Edward V to Henry VIII. A group of separately printed year books covering more than half a century, 1483–1535, marking the end of the year books. The Law Library of Congress holds one of the world’s preeminent collections of printed Year Books—the earliest printed records of the decisions of medieval English judges.
- *Formulare instrumentorum nec non Ars Notariatus cum Tabulis subiunctis*, 1516. This work was a heavily used “repertorium” for notaries and lawyers in Central Europe in the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries containing sample document forms for canon law, including wills, excommunications, indulgences, and guides for notaries.
- *Ordentliche Verzeichnus der Fürstlichen Bambergischen angesetztten Ritt: und BurgerLehen GerichtsTäge*, 1665–1684. Illustrated broadsides announcing the courts of assize for the City of Bamberg. These were



periodic criminal courts convened several times each year. These illustrated broadsides, issued annually, give the days of the session for the different types of court proceedings and the names of the judges and assessors.

Collection Storage

The Collection Services Division began the process of replacing compact shelving in the Madison Building subbasement stacks. At thirty-three years old, the current shelving system is beyond its predicted lifespan. Funding was secured as of last fiscal year, and the shifting of collection materials began in the summer of 2015. All collection materials remain accessible in the stacks and in collection swing space on the fifth floor of the Madison Building. The construction project is on schedule with an expected end date of August 29, 2016. Collection Services will then have up to sixty days to return all items in call-number order to the new shelving.

LEFT The new array of compact shelving in the Law Library Reading Room awaits the return of books. *Kevin Long*
RIGHT Shelving behind the new Law Library Reading Room reference desk. *Kevin Long*



Collection Access

The Collection Services Division changed a long-standing policy regarding superseded holdings, resulting in making the collections more accessible to patrons and staff. Formerly, the procedure had been to suppress superseded holdings from the OPAC, essentially creating hidden collection items. Failing to identify a compelling reason to continue this policy, it was decided that all suppressed holdings would be made visible. Days after this change was made, the Supreme Court Library called to inquire about the superseded holdings of a particular title. Law Library staff were able to easily and quickly locate the materials and serve them in a timely manner.

The Global Legal Resource Reading Room (Global) undertook a comprehensive inventory this fiscal year. Through this process, the Law Library identified titles that required updates and replacement

LEFT An increased number of terminals allows more patrons to access the Law Library collections. *Kevin Long*

RIGHT Patrons and foreign law specialists have access to 20,000 legal volumes in the Global Legal Resource Reading Room. *Donna Sokol*



with more current versions. Patrons and foreign law specialists now have better access to over 20,000 legal volumes for all jurisdictions held in Global.

K Classification

The Law Library has been working collaboratively with other divisions in the Library of Congress to replace the outmoded LAW classification scheme with the K classification scheme (K Class). During fiscal 2015, 19,061 titles were classified from LAW to K Class.

Collection Development

Part of the collection development strategy in Fiscal 2015 focused on enhancing the holdings for African countries. Some additions to the collection included the Revised Criminal Code of Ethiopia and the Revised Family Code of Ethiopia—both in Amharic. A volume

LEFT A page from the *Kapsche Courant*, a South African gazette, from January 21, 1804. *Betty Lupinacci*
 RIGHT Examples of East German legal documents from the Law Library's collection. *Donna Sokol*

H.R.1213 - Office of Compliance Administrative and Technical Corrections Act of 2015

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Committees: House - House Administration

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Public Law No: 114-6 (03/20/2015)

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The expanded summary of the House passed version is repeated here.)

Office of Compliance Administrative and Technical Corrections Act of 2015

(Sec. 2) This bill amends the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 (CAA) to revise its procedures for mediation and hearings.

The Secretary of the Office of Compliance is required to:

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of the Legislation of Sierra Leone was also added. The Law Library compiled a list of desired titles and sent it to the Nairobi field office in preparation for acquisition trips to Zimbabwe, Tanzania, and Zanzibar.

Congress.gov

Fiscal 2015 saw great strides in the development and refinement of Congress.gov. The Congress.gov team employed user testing, surveys, and even comments to blog posts to collect and analyze feedback, including from Members of Congress.

In February, email alerts gave users the ability to track whether a specific Member of Congress (from the current Congress) has either sponsored or cosponsored legislation. In March, bill text defaulted to the XML/HTML version, displaying a much better layout that can include a linked table of contents and links to Public Laws and the US

LEFT The "Listen to this page" feature reads highlighted text to users. *Congress.gov*

RIGHT The powerful "Search Within" results feature on committee and member pages helps users quickly locate legislation and reports. *Congress.gov*

Code. Treaty documents were made available on Congress.gov for all treaties submitted to the Senate since the 94th Congress (1975–1976). Treaties submitted prior to the 94th Congress were included if they were pending in 1975.

The Federalist Papers have remained a perennially popular item on THOMAS with nearly a million page views over the last two years. As of May, users could access *The Federalist Papers* on Congress.gov. Additionally, in the same update, four new items on the Browse page gave users the ability to browse via public laws, bill and law texts received today, bills introduced by request, and bills introduced as private legislation.

Accessibility features improved in July with the addition of the “Listen to this page” feature, which will read highlighted text to users. Users can also download an audio file of the bill summary to listen to it on the go. This month’s update also included an enhanced email alert and new appropriations tables with enhanced content, starting with a table for the most recent fiscal year, 2016. The Congress.gov team continued to work on updating appropriations tables through the fiscal years, back to Fiscal 2005.

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Organizations and Associations

In Fiscal 2015, the Law Library hosted over forty visits from groups in the US and global legal community. A complete list of visiting professional groups appears in Appendix B: Law Library Professional Visitors. These visits afforded the Law Library an opportunity to introduce individuals to the Law Library's collections, products, and services. It is also an excellent way for the Law Library to build our network of colleagues from around the world.

Law Library staff represented the Library at national conferences, including the American Association of Law Libraries (July, Philadelphia) and the American Bar Association (August, Chicago).

Federal Agencies

The Law Library regularly hosts professional visitors from other federal agencies to talk about the Law Library's products and services.

In March 2015, the Law Library hosted a group of attorneys from the Refugee, Asylum, and International Operations Directorate of US Citizenship and



David S. Mao assists with the ribbon while HRH The Princess Royal and Dr. James H. Billington, Librarian of Congress, officially open the Magna Carta: Muse & Mentor exhibition. *John Harrington*

Immigration Services (USCIS), Department of Homeland Security. A team of foreign law specialists briefed the group on the Law Library's research reports and identified points of contact for each region, discussed the protocol for making formal and information research requests, and received a lecture on legal research orientation that focused on techniques for accessing international law and information on Law.gov.

In April 2015, a group of Army Air Force military officials from Joint Base Andrews and the Pentagon visited the Law Library of Congress. The group received briefings on the products and services of the Law Library of Congress, a tour of the Thomas Jefferson Building, and an introduction to Congress.gov. Legal reference librarians provided a tailored research orientation on the National Defense Authorization Act.

Public Programs

The Law Library continued to engage audiences with a series of events focused on contemporary legal issues. Luminaries in law, legal scholarship, and public service presented talks on the Magna Carta and its legal legacy in the United States, the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Native American perspectives on law, and religious freedom and the Constitution.

What follows are summaries of the major events that the Law Library sponsored or cosponsored in Fiscal 2015.

A Conversation with Lord Judge and Chief Justice Roberts

On the afternoon of November 5, the Law Library hosted an interview with Chief Justice John Roberts and The Rt. Hon. Lord Igor Judge PC



QC, former Lord Chief Justice of England and Wales. Both guests were interviewed by the Law Librarian, David Mao, in the Members Room. The interview, which was taped for C-SPAN, was attended by 120 invited guests.

Magna Carta Opening Ceremony

On the morning of November 6, the Library of Congress and the Law Library held a private exhibit ribbon cutting in the Exhibit Hall followed by an opening ceremony in the Great Hall. The opening delegation and speakers included David S. Mao, Dr. James H. Billington, the Most Honourable The Marquess of Lothian, The Very Reverend Philip Buckler (Dean of the Lincoln Cathedral), and His Excellency Sir Peter Westmacott, and special remarks by Her Royal Highness The Princess Royal. The opening also included musical selections by the Temple Church Choir, Howard University Singers, and US Army

LEFT Law Librarian David S. Mao (center) hosts a conversation with John G. Roberts Jr., Chief Justice of the United States (right) and The Rt. Hon. The Lord Judge on "The Legal Legacy of Magna Carta." *Amanda Reynolds*
RIGHT The US Army Herald Trumpets prepare for the arrival of guests to the Magna Carta Opening Ceremony. *Amanda Reynolds*



Herald Trumpets. A private reception followed during which HRH The Princess Royal and her husband greeted donors and other guests. The event received extensive press coverage.

Magna Carta Gala

On the evening of November 6, the Magna Carta gala was held with 277 guests in attendance. The gala ceremony included remarks by Charles Humphries (Master of Ceremonies), David Mao (Law Librarian of Congress), The Very Reverend Dean Buckler (Dean of the Lincoln Cathedral), and Dr. James H. Billington (Librarian of Congress); special remarks by HRH The Princess Royal; keynote remarks by The Honorable Justice Scalia; and musical selections by the Temple Church Choir and vocal selections performed by Mrs. Denyce Graves-Montgomery. In addition to the ceremony, guests were treated to an opening reception and dinner, as well as private tours of the exhibit.

LEFT Soprano Denyce Graves-Montgomery performs in the Coolidge Auditorium during the Magna Carta gala. *Amanda Reynolds*
RIGHT The Great Hall's second-floor mezzanine awaits gala dinner guests. *Kevin Long*



Human Rights Day

The Law Library did not hold a specific Human Rights Day event this fiscal year because of Magna Carta programming.

Magna Carta Symposium: Conversations on the Enduring Legacy of the Great Charter

On December 9, the symposium, “Conversations on the Enduring Legacy of the Great Charter,” was held in conjunction with the exhibition. Scholars, historians and contemporary thinkers discussed how Magna Carta’s political and legal traditions have carried into our current times. A highlight of the program was an interview by David Rubenstein, cofounder and co-CEO of The Carlyle Group, with Associate Justice of the US Supreme Court Stephen G. Breyer.

LEFT Renee Lerner, Associate Professor of Law, George Washington University Law School, gives a talk on jury trials during the morning session of the Magna Carta Symposium. *Amanda Reynolds*

RIGHT David Rubenstein (left), philanthropist and co-CEO of The Carlyle Group, interviews Stephen G. Breyer, associate justice of the United States, at the Library of Congress Magna Carta Symposium. *Amanda Reynolds*



A Literary Discussion with Clay Risen

On January 28, Clay Risen, author and editor for *The New York Times* op-ed section, discussed his book, *The Bill of the Century: Lyndon Johnson and the Epic Battle for the Civil Rights Act*, and research he conducted at the Library of Congress. The program was presented in conjunction with the Library of Congress exhibition commemorating the fiftieth anniversary of the passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. A book sale and signing followed the program. This program was cosponsored by the Interpretive Programs Office (IPO), Serial & Government Publications Division, and Law Library of Congress.

Magna Carta Lecture Series: Magna Carta from Runnymede to Washington: Old Laws, New Discoveries

On April 6, the Law Library welcomed Magna Carta scholar Nicholas Vincent for its final program in the Magna Carta Lecture Series.

LEFT Law Librarian David S. Mao welcomes a group of high-school students from the Friendship Collegiate Academy Public Charter School. The group toured the Magna Carta exhibition shortly after it opened to the public. *Kevin Long*
RIGHT Professor Nicholas Vincent talks about the latest developments in Magna Carta scholarship, including his own recent discovery of a Magna Carta copy. *Shawn Miller*



Vincent, professor of medieval history at the University of East Anglia, gave a lively and visual presentation titled “Magna Carta: From Runnymede to Washington: Old Laws, New Discoveries.” In his lecture, Professor Vincent illustrated Magna Carta’s history and meaning while connecting it to US history.

Robert F. Kennedy, The Law and the Struggle for Racial Justice

Co-sponsored by the Interpretative Programs Office and the Law Library of Congress, a special presentation was held on April 29 in conjunction with the Library’s Civil Rights Act exhibition. Patricia A. Sullivan, professor of history at the University of South Carolina, gave a presentation on research she compiled for her forthcoming publication on Robert F. Kennedy and his involvement with the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

LEFT (from left to right) Emily Carr, Linda Cerna, Liah Carvalho, Robert Brammer, and Jenny Gesley volunteer at the Law Library booth during the 2015 National Book Festival. *Joseph Gesley*

RIGHT The Law Library’s popular gavel pencils are ready for the taking. *Kevin Long*



Law Day

The Law Library did not hold a specific Law Day event this fiscal year. The April presentation by Professor Vincent served as our Law Day celebration.

Senate Services Expo

On June 12, the Law Library participated in the Senate Services Expo at the Senate Hart Office Building. This was a great opportunity to promote the Law Library's unique services to Congress by highlighting our research reports, reference services, and social media channels, as well as Congress.gov and LAW.gov.

Visions of Liberty: A Conversation with Ira Glasser and Bob Adelman

On August 3, Robert R. Newlen, chief of staff for the Library of

LEFT Margaret Wood (left), senior legal reference librarian, engages interested staffers at the Senate Services Expo. *Kevin Long*
RIGHT Robert R. Newlen (left), chief of staff for the Library of Congress, moderates a discussion between renowned photojournalist Bob Adelman (center) and retired executive director of the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) Ira Glasser (right). *Shawn Miller*



Congress, moderated a discussion between renowned photojournalist Bob Adelman and retired executive director of the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) Ira Glasser in the Library of Congress Mumford Room. A selection of Adelman’s photographs was shown while the speakers discussed their work and experiences during the civil rights movement.

The program was presented in conjunction with the Library’s exhibition, “The Civil Rights Act of 1964, A Long Struggle for Freedom.” Cohosted by the Library’s Prints and Photographs Division, Interpretive Programs Office, and the Law Library of Congress, the event was made possible by a donation from Roberta I. Shaffer.

National Book Festival

The Law Library sponsored an exhibition table at this year’s National

LEFT Law Librarian David S. Mao attends the eight-hundredth anniversary celebration of Magna Carta at Runnymede, England on June 15, 2015. *Claire Breay*

RIGHT Jess Bravin, Supreme Court correspondent for *The Wall Street Journal* (left), and Robert P. George, professor of jurisprudence and politics at Princeton University, discuss “Religious Freedom and the US Constitution,” in recognition of Constitution Day. *Shawn Miller*

Book Festival on Saturday, September 5 at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center. Eleven staff members volunteered at the festival and discussed the Law Library's collection, legal research products, and unique expertise in foreign and international law. They distributed gavel pencils, bookmarks, and information guides, along with Magna Carta exhibit guides. Approximately 4,000 festival attendees visited the Law Library's exhibition table.

Symposium: Civil Rights, Identity and Sovereignty: Native American Perspectives on History, Law and the Path Ahead

To launch the annual International Conference of Indigenous Archives, Libraries and Museums, the American Folklife Center and the Association of Tribal Archives, Libraries, and Museums presented an evening symposium on September 10 in the Coolidge Auditorium. The Law Library helped cosponsor this event, providing social media publicity and a rare book display by Nathan Dorn. A panel of speakers included Tim Tingle, Oklahoma Choctaw author and storyteller; Malinda Maynor-Lowery, associate professor and director of the Southern Oral History Program at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; and Walter Echo-Hawk, Native American author and attorney. The panel was moderated by Kevin Gover, director of the National Museum of the American Indian.

Constitution Day

In commemoration of Constitution Day, the Law Library of Congress hosted a public program on Wednesday, September 16 that examined religious freedom and the United States Constitution. The program featured Robert P. George, McCormick Professor of Jurisprudence at Princeton University, and Jess Bravin, Supreme Court Correspondent for *The Wall Street Journal*.

MANAGING FOR DEMONSTRABLE RESULTS

Automated Workflow System

The Law Library has been exploring a comprehensive automated workflow system (AWS) that would accommodate all aspects of its workflows, from project intake and assignment, to sending, publishing, and archiving work products. Customer Relationship Management (CRM) and authoring/publishing capabilities are a key part of the Law Library's needs.

The Law Library engaged a contractor to analyze its workflows, and the contractor issued a report in early 2014, including recommendations for appropriate content management system (CMS) software. The Law Library saw demonstrations from vendors and tested some of these software applications on their desktop computers.

Additionally, the Law Library is participating in a Library-wide authoring and publishing shared services discussion. The Law Library was still in the exploration stage on these initiatives as this fiscal year ended.



Deputy Librarian of Congress and Acting Law Librarian David S. Mao (center) officially marks the grand reopening of the Law Library Reading Room with a ceremonial ribbon cutting, September 23, 2015. *Shawn Miller*



Reading Room Renovation

After years of planning, the renovated Law Library Reading Room opened to the public on September 3. The Law Librarian invited staff for a preview the day prior to thank everyone involved for their efforts and patience while the Reading Room was undergoing its transformation. An official ribbon-cutting ceremony took place on September 23. The brighter, more welcoming space has reinvigorated pride in this corner of the Library and has solidified the sense that this is a law library for the twenty-first century.

Secure Storage Facility

The funding for the secure storage facility (SSF), allocated in Fiscal 2014, needs to be expended by Fiscal 2018. The construction of the SSF, however, is on hold, pending the construction of another Library division's SSF in the Madison Building.

LEFT New desks await patrons in the renovated Law Library Reading Room. *Kevin Long*

RIGHT Upholstered seating creates a comfortable atmosphere in the renovated Law Library Reading Room. *Kevin Long*



Professional Associations and Exchanges

Barbara Bavis, senior legal reference librarian, was invited by the Director of the ABA's Division for Public Services to copresent a webinar regarding free legal resources in May 2015, to focus on federal sources. Bavis coordinated with copresenter Internet for Lawyers President Carole Levitt and the ABA Associate Director of Educational Programs on preparing the webinar and setting up preparatory meetings.

Emily Carr, senior legal reference specialist, served as a member at large on the Federal Law Librarians Special Interest Section of the Law Librarians' Society of Washington, DC (LLSDC). Carr was selected to serve as Chair of the AALL Government Documents Special Interest Section's Publications Committee.

LEFT Barbara Bavis, senior legal reference librarian, speaks with Elizabeth Moore, legal collection specialist, at the new reference desk.

Donna Sokol

RIGHT Robert Brammer, senior legal reference librarian, prepares to welcome patrons at the new reference desk. *Donna Sokol*



Kurt Carroll, chief of the Collection Services Division, was appointed treasurer of the Board of Directors of the International Association of Law Libraries (IALL).

Ann Hemmens is serving on the Leadership, Administration & Career Development Team for the AALL 2016 meeting in Chicago (term of service: February 2015 to July 2016). Hemmens also serves as the Law Library's liaison to the Social Responsibilities Special Interest Section of AALL.

Elizabeth Moore, legal collection specialist, served on the AALL Placement Committee.

Issam Saliba, foreign law specialist, presented at the June 2015 International Judicial Conference in Antalya, Turkey.



Andrew Winston, legal reference librarian, served as vice chair on the AALL Bylaws and Resolutions Committee and participated in the AALL Leadership Academy. Winston also served as chair of the Virginia Association of Law Libraries (VALL) Strategic Planning Committee.

Five GLRC staff members (**Luis Acosta, Connie Johnson, Theresa Papademetriou, Peter Roudik, Margaret Wood**) authored materials accepted for publication by the International Journal of Legal Information.

Interns and Scholars

The Law Library hosted the following interns in Fiscal 2015:

- Genevieve Claveau, University of Montreal
- Ployparn (Pear) Ekraksasilpchai, Georgetown University Law Center (LLM)

LEFT The 2015 summer interns (left to right) Antonio Ortiz, Lucy Jones, Jourdan Douglas, Faith Hamby, Wyatt Smith, Allegra Chilstrom, Julia Heron, Genevieve Horchler, Timothy Byram, Pamela Oliver, Nasiruddin Nezaami, and Genevieve Claveau. *Donna Sokol*
RIGHT Antoine McDonald, North Carolina Central University, interned with the Public Services Division. *Donna Sokol*



- Laura Fry, University of Texas at Austin, Horns on the Hill internship program
- Julia Heron, University of Montreal
- Lucy Jones, Washington Ireland Program
- Jeremy McCabe, University of Washington
- Antoine McDonald, North Carolina Central University
- Megan Martinsen, University of Texas at Austin, Horns on the Hill internship program
- Nasiruddin Nezaami, University of Washington
- Kyewon Noh, Georgetown University Law Center (LLM)
- Antonio Ortiz, High School Summer Intern
- Ana Peruza, High School Summer Intern
- Alona Pryguza, Professional Exchange Fellow, US State Department
- Shi Qiu, Tulane University Law School
- Mary Thurston, University of Washington
- Lana Yu, Xi'an Jiaotong University (China), University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (LLM)

LEFT Jeremy McCabe, University of Washington, interned with the Public Services Division. *Donna Sokol*
RIGHT Mary Thurston, University of Washington, interned with the Public Services Division. *Donna Sokol*



Power Lunch Program

February

In cooperation with the Voice of America radio station, the Law Library hosted a prominent Russian liberal journalist, Natella Boltyanskaya, who used Library materials to produce a 30-part documentary television series detailing the history of the Soviet dissident movement and its legacy in today's Russia and other post-Soviet states. Segments of the documentary were screened during the presentation.

March

As part of the Law Library's Power Lunch Series and in celebration of Women's History Month, the Law Library hosted Margaret "Meg" McAleer, senior archives specialist in the Manuscript Division, on

LEFT Genevieve Claveau (right) and Julia Heron, University of Montreal, give their final presentation at the interns' Power Lunch. *Donna Sokol*

RIGHT Meg McAleer, senior archives specialist in the Manuscript Division, talks about the exciting items she discovered in the Rosa Parks collection. *Kevin Long*

March 11 for the program “Inside the Rosa Parks Collection.” McAleer discussed the Rosa Parks manuscript collection and provided an overview of some items she discovered while processing the collection.

April

The April 15 program, “Linkrot: What It Is, Why It Matters, and What We Can Do About It,” centered on linkrot—the problem of nonworking hyperlinks to Web-based sources. Law Library staff members Charlotte Stichter, Andrew Weber, and Jennifer Gonzalez provided an overview of the problem using Law Library work products and other legal sources as examples, and discussed possible archiving solutions.

July

The Law Library summer interns presented their summer projects on July 29. Presenters included Antoine McDonald, Faith Hamby, Allegra Chisolm, Genevieve Claveau, and Julia Heron.

August

On August 27, Ruth Levush, senior foreign law specialist, presented “Secular Legal Evolution and the Impact of Jewish Norms on End-of-Life Care: The Case of the Jewish State.” Levush discussed legal developments in the regulation of end-of-life care in Israel, based on her paper presented at an international law conference in Jerusalem in May 2015.

September

On September 29, Issam Saliba, senior foreign law specialist, presented “Terrorism and the Rule of Law.” Saliba discussed the topic of terrorism, touching on its intrinsic nature and the strain it is causing on adherence to the rule of law in democratic societies.

APPENDICES

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Appendix A: Production Management of Law Materials

	Fiscal 2015	Fiscal 2014	% Change
Received	22,692	20,827	9%
Completed	22,102	19,957	10%
Titles (re)classified	6,825	5,616	22%
New receipts (total receipts minus titles reclassified)	16,019	15,117	6%
Copyright receipts	2,270	2,284	-.06%
IBC or OCLC download	5,376	6,338	-15%
Descriptive cataloging	1,385	1,788	-22%
Subject cataloging	12,167	11,517	6%
Whole item cataloging	7,867	6,751	17%
Added copies	4,775	5,153	-7%
Cataloging-in-Publication verification completed	1,315	1,295	7%
Copy Cataloging completed	1,370	1,220	12%
Serials completed	471	462	2%
Digital Tables of Contents, DTOC (PDFs) added	5,537	4,856	14%
Electronic resources completed	191	79	141%
Works on Hand:			
Books	2,326	1,803	29%
ECIPs	0		
CD-ROMs	0		
Serials awaiting subject cataloging	43	21	104%

Appendix B: Law Library Professional Visitors

October 2014

American University Washington
College of Law
Former Ambassador of Pakistan to the
United States, Mujeeb-ur-Rahman
Embassy of Hungary Supreme Court
Judge Péter Darák and wife
University of California Washington
Center

November 2014

American Bar Association Standing
Committee on the Law Library of
Congress
Georgetown University Law Center
US Department of State International
Visitor Leadership Program (peace
conflict specialists from Middle
Eastern and Northern African
countries)
House News, Research, and
Subscription Fair
Northern Virginia High School Teachers
(government and civics teachers)

December 2014

Mapetsi Policy Group Tribal Leaders
Creighton University GOAL Program

January 2015

Bridgewater College Alumni
Association

Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship
Program of the International Legal
Studies Program, American University
Washington College of Law
Nigerian Copyright Commission (NCC)
World Intellectual Property
Organization (WIPO)
International Judicial Academy (China)

February 2015

American Constitution Society for Law
& Policy
Andean Parliament Official Delegation
Georgetown University Law Center
Ohio State University Law School

March 2015

Refugee, Asylum and International
Operations Directorate, US Citizenship
and Immigration Services (USCIS),
Department of Homeland Security
University of Ljubljana School of Law
Pepperdine University School of Law

April 2015

European Court of Justice
Department of Defense, National Guard
Bureau
Seton Hall University
Chilean Parliament
American Bar Association Section of
International Law

May 2015

Constitutional Court of Albania
Library of Congress Career
Development Program

June 2015

Munich Intellectual Property Law
Center
Deputy Director Felipe Vicencio,
Library of the National Congress of
Chile
American Bar Association Board of
Governors
Department of Justice Law Clerks
American Immigration Lawyers
Association
College of William and Mary Alumni
Association

July 2015

US-Asia Institute, J. Matthew Szymanski
Rule of Law Program
US Supreme Court and CRS Knowledge
Services Group, Summer Internship
Program
Bard College, US Foreign Policy
Summer Institute
Federal Judicial Center, Summer
Internship Program

August 2015

Georgetown University Law Center
Office of Policy and International
Affairs, US Copyright Office
Burkina Faso Parliament
American Red Cross

September 2015

Georgetown School of Medicine
International Law Institute
American University Washington
College of Law (SJD candidates)

Appendix C: Briefings and Seminars

Staff conducted briefings on the Law Library's services for congressional staff and seminars, orientations, and classes for noncongressional groups, including the following:

- American Constitution Society for Law and Policy
- Pepperdine University
- Royal Holloway, University of London
- Seton Hall University
- European Court of Justice
- ABA Section of International Law
- Senate Services Fair
- Summer Teacher Institute

Statistics

- Congressional Briefings = 18 (116 attendees)
 - VIP Tours/Briefings = 47 (642 attendees)
 - Legal Research Seminars = 16 (161 attendees)
 - Legal Research Orientations = 12 (50 attendees)
 - Classes/Webinars = 10 (413 attendees)
- Total attendees: 1,382

TRAINING COURSES OFFERED

Law Library Orientation

These thirty-minute orientations include a briefing on congressional services and products, and additional information about the Law Library's collections and electronic resources. A tour of the Reading Room may be included as well. Orientations may be customized to accommodate specific legal subjects or professional research needs.

Introduction to Legislative Research: Using Books and the Internet to Locate Laws

This seminar, jointly offered by the Law Library and the Congressional Research Service, is designed for those with no legal research experience.

During this two and one-half hour seminar, a Law Library specialist discusses the electronic and print sources used when conducting federal legislative research. Participants are shown where and how to use the various print and electronic resources containing bills, enacted laws, and codified laws. In addition to covering official and unofficial print publications, the seminar demonstrates the relative strengths and substantive content of various Internet resources, such as THOMAS, the Legislative Information Service (LIS), GPO's Federal Digital System (FDsys), the United States Code, and others. Fee-based databases such as Westlaw® and Lexis® are not covered. This program is open to interns who have attended the CRS Intern Orientation.

Federal Legislative History Research: Using Print and Electronic Sources

This seminar examines methods of identifying and locating electronic and print versions of legislative history resources, including committee reports, hearings, debates, and other relevant materials. Research techniques are illustrated using a case study. This seminar is jointly sponsored by the Law Library of Congress and the Congressional Research Service, and emphasizes both Internet and traditional print research techniques.

A Law Library specialist discusses various electronic and print publications containing federal laws and how to research the legislative history of those laws. Participants are shown where and how to locate electronic and print versions of congressional documents, including bills, resolutions, committee reports and prints, and floor debates that are generated in the legislative process. Sources of compiled legislative histories and methods of compiling legislative histories are covered. Internet sources that are discussed include THOMAS, LIS, and other Library of Congress sites; FDsys; various congressional sites; and others. Fee-based databases such as Lexis® and Westlaw® are not covered. This program is open to interns who have attended the CRS Intern Orientation.

Federal Statutory Research: Using Print and Electronic Sources

This seminar examines methods of identifying and locating electronic and print versions of federal statutes and conducting research in the United States Code, including historical sources of federal statutory law. The Law Library of Congress and the Congressional Research Service jointly sponsor this seminar, which emphasizes both electronic and traditional print research techniques.

A Law Library specialist discusses electronic and print publications containing federal statutory law, including electronic and print sources of public laws and the United States Code. The organizational principles and features facilitating research and the significance of positive law enactments of the titles of the United States Code are discussed. Electronic sources that are covered include the Office of the Law Revision Counsel's United States Code website, THOMAS, FDsys, and other subscription databases available through the Library of Congress. This program is open to interns who have attended the CRS Intern Orientation.

Congress.gov

Congress.gov, the successor to THOMAS.gov, the current public site for legislative information, was launched on September 19, 2012. This orientation is designed to give a basic overview of the beta site. While the focus of the session is on searching legislation and the Congressional Member information attached to the legislation, the new features of Congress.gov are highlighted.

Legal Research

The training course Orientation to Legal Research and the Use of Law Library Collections is designed to give a basic introduction to legal sources and research techniques. This class provides an overview of statutes, regulations, and court cases and the relationships among them, and introduces the Law Library's resources for locating these items in print and automated formats. These orientations, taught by reference librarians, are offered bimonthly.

Legal Research for Embassy Personnel

The course Legal Research Orientation for Embassy Personnel is designed to include approaches to legal research on United States federal law. Attendees are shown how to access laws, administrative regulations, court cases, treaties, and a host of other print and electronic sources and databases. These orientations, taught by reference librarians, are offered every three months.

Appendix D: ABA Standing Committee on the Law Library of Congress

M. Elizabeth Medaglia, Chair
US Department of Labor
Washington, DC

Lillian Gaskin
Federal Administrative Law Judges
Conference
Washington, DC

Lesliediana Jones
George Washington University Law
School
Washington, DC

Katrina Miller
Florida State University College of Law
Research Center
Tallahassee, FL

Michael S. Neuren
Administrative Office of the Courts of
Georgia
Atlanta, GA

Phyllis Pickett
North Carolina General Assembly
Raleigh, NC

Michelle Wu
Georgetown University Law Center
Washington, DC

Tedson J. Meyers, Special Advisor
Fairhope, AL

Harry Truman (H.T.) Moore, ABA
Board of Governors
Goodwin Moore PLLC
Paragould, AR

Law Library of Congress Staff
David S. Mao, Law Librarian of
Congress

Robert Newlen, Assistant Law
Librarian for Legislative
and External Relations

Don Simon, Assistant Law Librarian for
Administrative Operations

American Bar Association Staff
Elissa Lichtenstein, Acting Director
Ken Goldsmith, Legislative Counsel

Appendix E: Law Library Staff

OFFICE OF THE LAW LIBRARIAN

Mao, David S. – Acting Law Librarian
(through end of fiscal year)

Moore, Barbara

Sokol, Donna

OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS

Simon, Donald – Assistant Law
Librarian for Administrative Operations

Allen, Kimberly

Fong, Xi

Hawkins, Patricia

Rupple, LeeAnne (until June 2015)

Wilson, Leshay

Asset Management Team

Dove, Charles – Director

Le, Trung

Long, Kevin

McCalip, Latesha

Ouellette, Patrick

Wilkie, George

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY LAW LIBRARIAN

[Deputy Law Librarian position vacant
as of September 30, 2013]

Editorial Team

Stichter, Charlotte – Managing Editor

Lerner, Barry

GLOBAL LEGAL RESEARCH

Roudik, Peter – Director

Foreign Comparative and International Law Division I

Buchanan, Kelly – Chief

Ahmad, Tariq

Chang, Irene

Goitom, Hanibal

Levush, Ruth

Sadek, George

Saliba, Issam

Umeda, Sayuri

Zeldin, Wendy

Zhang, Laney

Foreign Comparative and International Law Division II

Acosta, Luis – Chief

Boring, Nicolas

Feikert-Ahalt, Clare

Figueroa, Dante

Gesley, Jenny

Guerra, Gustavo

Gutiérrez, Norma

Johnson, Constance

Papademetriou, Theresa

Rodriguez-Ferrand, Graciela

Sanders, Barbara

Soares, Eduardo

Public Services Division

Keysor, Debora – Chief

Bavis, Barbara
Carr, Emily
Hemmens, Ann
Lee, Bernadette (until February 2015)
LoBianco, Alex
Mahannah, William
Martin, Jim
Palmer, Victoria
Rahman, Shameema
Sarratt, Larry
Sowers, Endia
Winston, Andrew
Wood, Margaret

GLOBAL LEGAL COLLECTION

Hyde, Janice – Director
Hubbard, Tynesha (Adams)

Digital Resources Division

Dove, Charles – Acting Chief
Brammer, Robert
Gheen, Tina (on detail for part of
FY2015)
Gill, Jacinda
Gonzalez, Jennifer
Macias, Francisco
Weber, Andrew

Collection Services Division

Carroll, Kurt – Chief
Chen, Lai
Creech, Suneewan
Davis, Jennifer – Supervisor
Dorn, Nathan
Dunlap, Karlton

Kim, Sandra
Kuhagen, Brian
Lupinacci, Betty – Supervisor
Moore, Elizabeth
Pukniel, Agnieszka
Sigmund, Ken
Tajchert, Agata
Wang, Wei
Young, Reginald

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Kalvatiene, Erika – Supervisor
Brooks, Eric
Davis, Latisha
Floto, Charles
Korres, Elizabeth
London, Tanya
Lyons, Julius
Zheng, Wanlan

OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE AND EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

Newlen, Robert – Assistant Law
Librarian for Legislative and External
Affairs (until December 2014)
Brown, Clifton
Cali, Jeanine – Manager (January
through end of fiscal year)
Carvalho, Liah
Heavner, Penny (retired April 2015)
Jordan, Cynthia (on detail for part of
FY2015)
Weston, Wesley (until March 2015)
Zellars, Kimberly