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.
I am pleased to present the fiscal 2016 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.

This fiscal year, I focused on improving the Law Library’s service to its primary client, Congress. Informed by the Gallup organization’s Library of Congress Stakeholder Satisfaction Survey that was completed in June, the Law Library mobilized quickly to promote awareness of its expertise in foreign law, its rich online resources, and its timely programming on legal topics. The Law Library engaged a Congressional Research Service staff member for a three-month detail to develop strategies for Congressional outreach activities to increase awareness of Law Library services and products. Her report has given us a superb roadmap for targeting our outreach efforts with Congress.

The Law Library collections saw a net gain this fiscal year, bringing us ever closer to three
million legal volumes. Still the largest collection of legal materials in the world, our physical collections enjoyed a 33% increase in circulation over last fiscal year. As for our digital collections, we continued to develop the Indigenous Law Portal—a free, open access tool that brings together digitized collection materials from the Law Library along with links to tribal websites and primary source materials on the web.

The depth of the Library of Congress collections and staff expertise made for fertile collaboration opportunities. Joint programs between the Law Library and the American Folklife Center produced a fun celebration of James Madison’s 265th birthday. Working together with the European Division, the Law Library co-sponsored a commemoration of the 500th anniversary of the Jewish Ghetto of Venice. More collaborations are listed in the “Working with External Communities” section of this report.

Staff empowerment is a key factor in motivating the workforce to perform at their best. The Library of Congress conducted an Employee Satisfaction Survey to all staff this year, and the Law Library took direction from the results of that survey to improve upon many of the areas staff cited at the service-unit level. A new Employee Engagement Committee formed to look at a variety of issues that the Law Library will be facing in the short term and to recommend strategies for addressing five major areas: communications, use of resources, employee involvement, work environment, and senior leaders. As of this writing, the Committee has met and is actively working on gathering input from Law staff on each area.

Throughout the year, the Law Library made great strides in our use of technology. Continuous technical refinements of Congress.gov led to the retirement of the legacy legal information system, THOMAS, in July of this year. With the expansion of telework in the Law Library, I
focused on a plan to develop a more mobile workforce by employing light laptops that could replace desktop computers and serve as the single computing device for Law Library staff. Implementation for this mobile workforce pilot went into effect at the beginning of FY2017, but as of this writing, Law staff are seeing great increases in productivity with the new machines.

I returned to the Law Library this fiscal year, retaking the reins as the Law Librarian of Congress in February 2016. Also this year, the search for the next Law Librarian of Congress began. Likewise this year, the organizational structure of the greater Library began changing with the inauguration of the 14th Librarian of Congress. The Law Library remains committed to serving its clients and patrons as well as contributing to the evolution of the Library of Congress as it moves in a new direction.

Roberta I. Shaffer
Law Librarian of Congress
Products and Services

3,385
Congressional inquiries answered

23,416
Items from the Law Library’s collection circulated

472
Articles written for the Global Legal Monitor

3,606.5
Hours the Law Library Reading Room was open for Congressional staff

3,231
Inquiries answered through the Ask a Librarian service

27,630
Users served in person, by phone, via correspondence, or electronically
Collections

2,941,799
Million volumes in the Law Library

14,207
Volumes reclassified from an in-house system to the Library of Congress classification system

Social Media

56,254
Followers on the @LawLibCongress Twitter account

32,039
Followers on the @Congressdotgov Twitter account

33,578
“Likes” on Facebook

229
Posts written for In Custodia Legis
Websites

50,847,193
Page views for Congress.gov

3,964,490
Page views for Law.gov

430,909
Page views for In Custodia Legis

551,705
Page views for the Global Legal Monitor
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 reference information 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 provides direct reference services onsite, by telephone, and through electronic means.

Congress
In fiscal 2016, FCIL staff provided 406 legal research reports, special studies, memoranda, reference responses, and in-person consultations in response to inquiries from Congress. Additionally, 27 research reports and memoranda were prepared in response to other legislative-branch agencies.
Chief Justice John Roberts shakes hands with Carla Hayden at her swearing-in ceremony on September 14. Next to them are Speaker of the House Paul Ryan and Hayden’s mother Colleen, (holding the Lincoln Bible). Shawn Miller
In Fiscal 2016, the Law Library’s Global Legal Research Directorate researched, prepared, and published multinational studies on such diverse topics as regulations on drones, laws negating sovereign immunity of foreign countries, constitutional protection of the right to education, protection of trade secrets, campaign finance laws, adjustment and extension of patents, and organ harvesting. Reports on legal developments in individual countries prepared by FCIL staff were included in the briefing books for members of Congressional delegations traveling to foreign nations.

The FCIL divisions prepared 472 articles on international legal developments for the Global Legal Monitor (GLM), the e-publication on the Law Library’s website. The GLM website garnered 551,705 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 3606.5 hours.

**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 (13) and federal executive agencies (332).

**Service to the Public**
The Law Library Reading Room served 30,861 patrons either in person, by telephone, through digital reference services, or through written correspondence. The PSD circulated 23,416 items from the Law Library’s collection. It also taught 141 classes for Congressional staff and the public. The research classes and workshops were held either in person or through electronic webinars.
PSD staff responded to numerous questions from the public on a wide range of US and foreign legal topics, answering a total of
- 23,006 questions in person,
- 4,304 questions via telephone,
- 320 questions via written correspondence, and
- 3,231 questions digitally and via the Ask a Librarian service.

For many responses, PSD staff provided historical legal information. Examples include the following:
- Safe Passage Provision requirements under the Firearm Owners’ Protection Act of 1986 for lawful travel by car through Massachusetts with a secured firearm
- Congressional Record options for 1980
- 1975 House Document on endangered and threatened plant species
- Legislative history research regarding a 1909 federal criminal statute
• Changes to the 1986 Bankruptcy Code
• 2004 proceedings of the Slovak Canon Law Conference
• Report of the Federal Communications Commission, Docket No. 6780, Nov. 21, 1945
• Nineteenth-century Pennsylvania state legislative journals
• Congressional Findings and Purposes from the 1988 Amendments to the Fair Housing Act
• Legislation from the 60th Congress relating to compensation for the families of individuals who were hung by Union soldiers during the Civil War
• Congressional hearings from the 67th Congress regarding Pueblo Indian lands
• Legislative history of the Federal Employees Flexible and Compressed Work Schedules Act of 1982
• Legislative history materials for the Lanham Act from the 1930s and 1940s
• Federal Register Act of 1935
• Citations for the US Constitution of 1787, the US Constitution of 1865, and the earliest edition of the Constitution containing the 13th Amendment

FCIL staff provided 553 research products related to foreign, comparative, and international law to the public, including members of the bar. The Guide to Law Online—a public resource on government and law information by region, country, or US state—garnered 650,871 page views for the fiscal year.
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, accessible via Law.gov. Some examples of Global Legal Research reports uploaded to the Law Library’s website include the following:

- Laws on Leg-Hold Traps Around the World
- Switzerland: Implementation of Article 126 of the Swiss Constitution – The “Debt Brake”
- Decriminalization of Narcotics
- Foreign Intelligence Gathering Activities
- Laws Lifting Sovereign Immunity in Selected Countries
- Government Access to Encrypted Communications
- Miranda Warning Equivalents Abroad
- Constitutional Right to an Education
- Regulation of Drones
- Regulation of Campaign Finance and Free Advertising
- Patent Term Extensions and Adjustments
- Refugee Law and Policy in Selected Countries
- Training Related to Combating Human Trafficking
- National Parliaments
- Turkey: Recent Developments in National and Public Security Law

Indigenous Law Portal
The Indigenous Law Portal now includes all tribal land cessions from American Memory’s “Indian Land Cessions in the United States.” All land cessions are linked by the name of the tribe. The land cession
collection provides an abstract of the land cession, a reference to the source of the treaty, statute, or executive order, and a map representing the effect of the land cession.

The Indigenous Law Portal was recognized by the American Library Association’s *Choice* magazine as a 2015 Outstanding Academic Title.

**Miranda v. Arizona on Law.gov**
The Law Library produced an online publication including digitally converted materials on Miranda v. Arizona from Library Services’ Manuscript Division and the Law Library’s Global Legal Research Directorate. This, along with many other activities this year, marked the 50th anniversary of the United States Supreme Court’s landmark *Miranda* decision.
THOMAS Retirement
THOMAS, which launched with great fanfare on January 5, 1995, retired on July 5, 2016. When it launched, then-Librarian of Congress James H. Billington and then-Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich led the initial celebration. Not long after it launched in 1996, THOMAS was a semifinalist for a National Information Infrastructure (NII) Government Award.

THOMAS went through many changes over the years. THOMAS had a facelift in 2005 that updated its facade; it was designed to look more like LOC.gov and American Memory looked at the time.

When new development of THOMAS picked up in 2010, it became clear that the system could not support the desired enhancements that users required. In August 2010, the first attempt was made to make the homepage mobile friendly. On September 19, 2012, the Library introduced Congress.gov and announced that the end was in sight for THOMAS.

THOMAS.gov Link Clean-Up
On August 23, 2016, the Law Library hosted an internal Wikipedia clean-up event to update and correct links currently pointing to THOMAS.gov. Presenting at the event was the National Archives Wikipedian in Residence, Dominic McDevitt-Parks. Dominic presented on Wikipedia’s conflict-of-interest policy and how to set up accounts. Approximately ten attendees set up accounts and successfully edited over one hundred links from THOMAS to Congress.gov.
Congress.gov
Congress.gov underwent significant enhancements ahead of the retirement of THOMAS this fiscal year. Many of the favorite features that made THOMAS popular with its users became standard features in Congress.gov, making the transition smoother for those who relied on the legacy legislative information system. Below is a brief timeline of the significant enhancements:

October 2015: Congress.gov debuted a new video series, Two-Minute Tips, which included “Creating and Using Congress.gov Email Alerts,” “Search Terms and Facets,” and “Navigating a Bill.” With this release, there were two new items added to the Browse page: Legislative Subject Terms and Popular and Short Titles.

December 2015: This update included a new Quick Search for legislation, the Congressional Record Index (back to 1995), and the History of Bills from the Congressional Record Index (available from the Actions tab). The State Legislature Websites page from THOMAS, which has links to state-level websites similar to Congress.gov, were incorporated as a feature.

April 2016: With this release, Congress.gov now has a Quick Search for: Legislation, the Congressional Record, Committee Reports, Nominations, Treaty Documents, and Communications.

May 2016: An additional set of email alerts were added to Congress.gov:
1. Most-Viewed Bills
2. Search Tips
3. Bills Presented to the President
4. On the House Floor Today  
5. On the Senate Floor Today  
6. In Custodia Legis: Law Librarians of Congress

June 2016: New features for Congress.gov this month included Saved Search Alert, a new Advanced Search Guided Form, a more web-friendly version of the Congressional Record Daily Digest, and new and updated browse reports.

September 2016: The Library of Congress launched the 3.0 Congress.gov release, which included enhancements to quick search, enhancements to accounts and alerts, normalization of search results (across our global, quick, and advanced searches), several improvements to the user experience, and a variety of small enhancements and fixes.
Legislative Process Infographic
The Digital Resources Division translated a Spanish language version of The Legislative Process infographic, which they published on Congress.gov in December.

Top 10 Bills Viewed (113th–114th Congresses)
1. H.R.4269 - Assault Weapons Ban of 2015
2. H.R.2029 - Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016
5. H.R.213 - Fairness for High-Skilled Immigrants Act of 2015
6. H.Res.569 - Condemning violence, bigotry, and hateful rhetoric towards Muslims in the United States
8. H.R.22 - FAST Act
9. S.1177 - Every Student Succeeds Act
10. H.R.2058 - FDA Deeming Authority Clarification Act of 2015
Social Media
The Law Library published 229 posts on its blog, *In Custodia Legis*, making it one of the more active Library of Congress blogs. The blog garnered 430,909 page views during the fiscal year. *In Custodia Legis* was named to the *ABA Journal’s* Annual Blawg 100 for the second year in a row. The list honors the top one hundred best blogs for a legal audience.

The video posted on June 10, 2016, “How Do You Say ‘Law’ in ...?,” dramatically exceeded expectations on social media. It had 23,714 views on Facebook.

Social Media Statistics

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*Counted as number of “Likes” to our Facebook page.
**Counted as number of page views
Collection Storage
The replacement of compact shelving in Quad A of the subbasement stacks began in March 2016 and ended on schedule in August. As new ranges became operable, contractors returned collection materials from swing space to Quad A. The upgraded mechanics allow the shelves to move much more smoothly and with less physical effort.

Secure Storage Facility
Construction of a vault (or Secure Storage Facility) for the Law Library’s rare and special materials remains a top priority. The planned vault will reside in the Madison Building and will allow the Law Library to properly house some of its pre-1801 material. Over 50% of this material currently is housed in the subbasement stacks of the Madison Building, which does not provide proper security or environmental controls. The Law Library has been informed that this project is delayed—
possibly until Fiscal 2018—due to a temporary need by the Library of Congress for the designated space.

**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 2016, 14,207 titles were classified from LAW to K Class.

**Print Collections**
The Law Library made several significant acquisitions this fiscal year.

2. In Clementina opus, by Giovanni de Imola [with] Tractatus
cautelarum, by Bartholomeus Cepolla. Venice, Jacobus Rubeus, 1475.

3. Arabic manuscript: Compendium of texts on Fada’il or the Islamic Law Inheritance, with Hanafi Queries and Response. Baghdad, 1487.


5. Broecquet, Aubert de. F. 1r: S’en sievent plusieurs jugemens . French Manuscript Court records of Hainaut, ca. 1535–1540.


7. Lectura aurea ...sup[e]r tertio decretalium ..., by Pietro D’Ancarano. Italy, 1519.


9. Legal dissertations from the University of Altdorf in Germany,
printed 1630–1645. More than 40 papers.
12. Laws of Maryland, Enacted at a Session of Assembly, Begun and Held at the City of Annapolis, on Thursday the tenth day of October 1727 [bound with] Laws of Maryland ... 1729.
13. Articles of Agreement to Establish a Quarterly Meeting of the Attornies in the City of New York ... 1756.
15. Laws, Orders & Ordinances Established by the Mayor, Recorder,
Alderman and ... for the good rule and government of the inhabitants of the said city, New York. 1731.


18. University of Louvain, Belgium. 115 broadsides announcing examinations and other academic events in the Faculty of Laws, 1712–1794.

19. Acts and laws, passed by the great and general court or assembly of their majesties province of the Massachuesetts-Bay, ... eight[h] day of November, 1693.

20. Der Prozess Talaat Pascha .... Berlin, 1921. The German court found Salomon Teilirian not guilty for his assassination of Talaat
Pascha, considered an initiator of the Armenian genocide.
Organizations and Associations
In Fiscal 2016, the Law Library hosted over fifty visits from groups in the US and the 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 as well as a way to build a network of colleagues from around the world.

Law Library staff represented the Library at national conferences, including the American Association of Law Libraries (July 16–19, Chicago) and the American Bar Association (August 4–7, San Francisco).

Federal Agencies
A primary mission of the Law Library of Congress is to provide the United States Congress with legal research and reference services. We are able to fulfill our mission thanks to the expertise of our global legal research staff and our comprehensive collection of international, foreign, and national legal resources. Another driver in our mission success is our connection to other federal librarians and researchers.
Michael Sandel, Anne T. and Robert M. Bass Professor of Government at Harvard University, delivers the 2015 Kellogg Biennial Lecture on Jurisprudence, October 29, 2015. Shawn Miller
The United States Senate librarians help us inform Members of Congress and congressional staff about our online and in-person legal research services. We were delighted to host staff from the US Senate Library on June 3 and June 6, 2016. A member of the Public Services Division (PSD) staff provided the Senate librarians with a tour of the new Reading Room along with an overview of Congress.gov updates and other key online resources. The chief of FCIL Division I discussed foreign, comparative, and international law research services. The Senate librarians concluded their visit with a tour of the Law Library closed stacks.

Public Programs
Below are the major events that the Law Library sponsored or cosponsored in Fiscal 2016.

Frederic R. and Molly S. Kellogg Biennial Lecture on Jurisprudence
Held on October 29, 2015, this year’s Kellogg Biennial Lecture on Jurisprudence featured political philosopher and Harvard Professor Michael Sandel. The lecture, titled “Justice, Neutrality and Law,” focused on such questions as whether the law should affirm certain moral judgments, or be neutral on moral and spiritual questions.

The Kellogg Biennial Lecture on Jurisprudence presents the most distinguished contributors to international jurisprudence, as judged through writings, reputation, and broad and continuing influence on contemporary legal scholarship. Previous Kellogg Lecturers included Ronald Dworkin, Joseph Raz, and Amartya Sen. The series has been endowed by Frederic R. and Molly S. Kellogg.
Human Rights Day
On December 8, 2015, the Law Library of Congress, along with the Library of Congress African and Middle Eastern Division (AMED), observed Human Rights Day with a panel discussion on “Perspectives on Islamic Law Reform.” The session was moderated by Jane McAuliffe, who is a distinguished scholar of Islamic studies and director of the Library’s National and International Outreach Division. The discussion explored new avenues and perspectives on Islamic law reform with a particular focus on reform within the framework of Islamic jurisprudence.

The panelists included Sherman Jackson, King Faisal Chair of Islamic Thought and Culture at the University of Southern California; Issam Saliba, foreign law specialist at the Law Library of Congress; and from Harvard Law School, Intisar A. Rabb, professor of law and codirector [L to R] Issam Saliba, foreign law specialist at the Law Library of Congress; Kristen A. Stilt, professor of law and codirector of the Islamic Legal Studies program, Harvard Law School; Jane McAuliffe, moderator; Intisar A. Rabb, professor of law and codirector of the Islamic Legal Studies program; and Sherman Jackson, King Faisal Chair of Islamic Thought and Culture at the University of Southern California, were part of the panel discussion in honor of Human Rights Day, December 8, 2015. Shawn Miller
of the Islamic Legal Studies program, and Kristen A. Stilt, professor of law and codirector of the Islamic Legal Studies program. Law Librarian of Congress Roberta I. Shaffer opened the program, which was held in commemoration of the anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

**Madison’s 265th Birthday Celebration**

On Wednesday, March 16, the Law Library and the Library’s Manuscript Division commemorated James Madison’s 265th birthday with a panel discussion by distinguished attorneys and Madison biographers Mary Sarah Bilder and David O. Stewart, and a birthday cake celebration that featured musical performances by Stephen Winick and Jennifer Cutting of the American Folklife Center. The events were held in the James Madison Memorial Building, which serves as the official national memorial to the fourth president of the United States.
Law Librarian of Congress Roberta I. Shaffer interviewed Paulette Brown, American Bar Association President, about her illustrious career and the ABA's 2016 Law Day theme, “Miranda: More than Words,” for a program that was held at the Library of Congress on April 27. The event commemorated both the fiftieth anniversary of the 1966 Supreme Court decision *Miranda v. Arizona* and Law Day, a national day that celebrates the rule of law and its contributions to the freedoms that Americans enjoy.

**Commemoration of the 500th Anniversary of the Jewish Ghetto of Venice**

On Tuesday, May 24, the Law Library of Congress commemorated the five hundredth anniversary since the establishment of the Jewish Ghetto of Venice. The commemorative program, “La Città degli Ebrei/
The City of the Jews: Segregated Space and the Admission of Strangers in the Jewish Ghetto of Venice,” featured His Excellency Armando Varricchio, the newly-appointed ambassador of Italy to the United States; executive director of the Centro Primo Levi New York, Natalia Indrimi; Professor Bernard Cooperman, the Louis L. Kaplan Professor of Jewish History at the University of Maryland; and University of Maryland History Professor Stefano Villani.

**Senate Services Expo**

On March 10, the Law Library had the opportunity to participate 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.
Depiction of Law in Film and Television
The Law Library of Congress and the Library of Congress Packard Campus for Audio-Visual Conservation hosted an event that highlighted the historical depiction of law in film and television on July 20 at the Packard Campus Theater in Culpeper, Virginia. A TV and film montage helped to illustrate how the reading of the Miranda warning has evolved over the last fifty years. Professor of Law Jessica Silbey from Northeastern University School of Law presented a fascinating lecture titled, “A History of Law in American Film.”

Proposed Constitutional Amendments Wikipedia Edit-a-Thon
The National Archives and the Law Library of Congress hosted a Wikipedia edit-a-thon for the proposed amendments to the US Constitution at the National Archives Innovation Hub on July 29.
The edit-a-thon was part of the “Amending America” initiative at the National Archives, which celebrated the 225th anniversary of the Bill of Rights with an exhibit and a series of conversations across the country, the “National Conversations on Rights and Justice.”

Participants could draw from a variety of great resources for the event. The National Archives published the dataset of more than 11,000 proposed constitutional amendments to Data.gov. A Century of Lawmaking for a New Nation offered US Congressional documents and debates from 1774–1875. Participants could also find many items on Congress.gov.

**Constitution Day: Lecture**
On September 7, 2016, the Law Library of Congress hosted a Constitution Day event featuring board-certified forensic psychiatrist Dr. Robert Maman, who discussed the rights of persons living with mental illness in the United States. Dr. Maman addressed modern-day perspectives on the care and treatment of the mentally ill in terms of their status within the criminal justice system, and new developments—driven in great part by constitutional concerns—to ensure that the mentally ill are treated with proper medical care. He also discussed issues of privacy and security relating to the mentally ill within the criminal justice system and explored how social issues relating to the trauma of combat and abuse of prescription drugs are being handled in light of civil-rights considerations.

**Constitution Day: Film Showings**
On September 26, the Law Library showed two films in commemoration of Constitution Day. *I Am an American* (1944) is a short by Crane Wilbur about a fictitious Eastern European
couple that immigrates to the United States. The film highlights the couple’s experience from New York to rural Ohio and the husband’s military service in the Civil War, and in doing so seeks to convey the common experience of immigrants of that era. The film also shows a commemorative celebration of I Am an American Day, which was later renamed Citizenship Day by an act of Congress in 1952.

_Last Day of Freedom_ (2015) is an animated short documentary by Dee Hibbert-Jones and Nomi Talisman that explores access to mental health care, veterans’ care, and the US criminal justice system through the relationship of two brothers—Bill and Manny Babbitt—before and after Bill discovers that Manny has committed a serious crime.

_National Book Festival_
The Law Library sponsored an exhibition table at the sixteenth annual
National Book Festival on Saturday, September 24, at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center. Staff members from the Global Legal Research Directorate, Global Legal Collection Directorate, Public Services Division, and Legislative and External Relations Office volunteered at the festival. The Law Library’s exhibition booth was staffed from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Staff discussed the Law Library’s collection, legal research products, and unique expertise in foreign and international law. They also distributed gavel pencils, bookmarks, and information guides.
Automated Workflow/Content Management 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.

The Law Library developed a requirements grid with a side-by-side comparison of the software applications tested. The Law Library also wrote a market research justification report to confirm the contractor’s 2014 findings.
and then elicited ballpark figures for CMS acquisition for use in Fiscal 2016–18 budget requests. An IT investment proposal detailed the Law Library’s current technological situation and the proposed remedies, life-cycle costs, project risks, decision milestones, and supporting documentation of the candidate applications. The project currently awaits funding.

**Professional Associations and Exchanges**

**Barbara Bavis** was invited by the San Diego County Bar Association (SDCBA) to conduct a one-and-a-half-hour version of her “How to Conduct Free Legal Research” presentation via webinar. She coordinated with Sarah Harris at the SDCBA to set up and run the presentation for approximately seventy SDCBA members on March 30, 2016, using the Library’s WebEx software. Barbara provided a shortened version of her “How to Conduct FREE Legal Research Online” presentation to a full auditorium of 1L students at California Western School of Law on February 5, 2016. The presentation was recorded and made available to all 1L students, to review as a part of their legal research class.

**Emily Carr**, senior legal reference librarian, served as a member at large on the Law Librarians’ Society of Washington, DC (LLSDC) Executive Board. Carr continued to serve as Chair of the AALL Government Documents Special Interest Section’s Publications Committee.

**Kurt Carroll**, chief of the Collection Services Division, was elected treasurer of the International Association of Law Libraries (IALL) in 2016.
Ann Hemmens is serving on the Membership and Mentoring Committee within the Government Law Libraries Special Interest Section of AALL (July 2016–July 2017).

Elizabeth Moore, legal collection specialist, served on the AALL Day in the Life Photo Contest jury.

Andrew Winston, senior legal reference librarian, was appointed chair of the AALL Bylaws and Resolutions Committee and won the 2016 AALL Emerging Leader Award. Winston was also elected secretary of the Virginia Association of Law Libraries.
Interns and Scholars
The Law Library hosted the following interns in Fiscal 2016:

**Randall Hicks**, Scholar-in-Residence, Department of Labor
**Sandra Sawicki**, Volunteer
**Lefteris Karchimakis**, Student in Research Residency
**Ekaterina Ursul**, Northern Virginia Community College
**Ghidaa Bajbaa**, Georgetown University Law Center
**Patience Tyne**, Junior Fellow
**Rose Likins**, University of Maryland
**Carla Tejada**, Montgomery College
**Antonio Ortiz**, High School Summer Intern
**Zachary Schaeffer**, Washington and Lee University
**Tessa Kelder**, Scholar-in-Residence, Dutch House of Representatives
**Sahar Saqib**, George Washington University Law School
**Abdul Mahir Hazim**, University of Washington School of Law
**Felix Beulke**, Humboldt University, Germany
**Cynthia Chen**, University of Montreal
**Molly O’Casey**, University College Dublin, Ireland, and Université Paris II Panthéon-Assas, France
**Ricardo Wicker**, University of Montreal
**Jazmine Jackson**, DC Summer Youth Program
**Noah Lapidus**, Northeastern University
**Jasmine Stewart**, Towson University

Power Lunch Program

November 2015

“The European Union’s Response to the Mediterranean Migrant Crisis.” Theresa Papademetriou, foreign law specialist, discussed the European Union’s asylum system and how European Union Member States are responding to the high number of asylum-seekers from Syria, Eritrea, Iraq, and Afghanistan who are in need of international protection.
“The Role of Foreign and International Law at the United States Department of Labor.” Randall Hicks, Scholar-in-Residence at the Law Library of Congress and International Relations Officer at the US Department of Labor’s Bureau of International Labor Affairs (ILAB) discussed the role of foreign and international law in the mission and mandate of the Department of Labor’s Office of Child Labor, Forced Labor, and Human Trafficking.

January 2016
“Egypt’s Record in the Fight Against Terrorism.” Nabil S. Mikhail, professor of political science at The George Washington University, discussed Egypt’s measures to combat terrorism.

April 2016
“Amending America.” The National Archives Amending America exhibit cocurators, Christine Blackerby and Jennifer N. Johnson, discussed how changes in the Constitution affect the way our democracy works.

May 2016
“Congress.gov: Updates and Enhancements.” Barbara Bavis and Andrew Weber of the Law Library of Congress discussed the new and popular features of Congress.gov—the public’s option for legislative information from the Library of Congress with the retirement of THOMAS.

July 2016
“Global Legal Research Services: An International Comparison.” Tessa Kelder, Global Legal Research Fellow at the Law Library, presented the results of the research project that she worked on from May–July. She discussed how parliaments in other countries, ranging from Australia and New Zealand to Chile, by way of South Korea, Finland, Albania, and others, organize their legal research services for the members of their parliaments. She explored their do’s and don’ts, and what we could learn from them.

“All Rise. Film screening. This film explores the question of how international disputes can be resolved in the courtroom rather than on the battlefield by focusing on the journeys of seven passionate law students from India, Israel, Jamaica, Palestine, Russia, Singapore, and
Uganda to compete in the world championships of the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition in Washington, DC. The “court” is the International Court of Justice.

**August 2016**

**September 2016**

“Broad Differences between the Civil and Common Law Systems.” Presentation by Law Library intern Molly O’Casey.

“Eye on Tech Trends for Law Libraries.” The Digital Resources Division staff highlighted a variety of emerging and established industry trends that it envisions will enrich operations of digital (law) libraries.

“Financial Markets Supervision in the US: National Developments and International Standards.” Foreign Law Specialist Jenny Gesley gave an overview of banking and securities regulation and supervision in the United States up to and including the Dodd-Frank Act. She also covered the international standards of the Basel Committee and the International Organization of Securities Commissions and their legal classification and implementation in the US.
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## Appendix A: Production Management of Law Materials

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Appendix B: Law Library Professional Visitors

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October 2015
Georgetown University Law Center
Faegre Baker Daniels
Federal Judicial Center
Nigerian National Institute of Legislative Studies

November 2015
Career Development Program
Washington College
US Department of Justice and US State Department joint program (Anti-Terrorism Court Judges from Pakistan)
US Department of Justice Librarians
Appellate Judges Education Institute (AJEI)
University of Illinois at Chicago, Department of Criminology, Law and Justice

December 2015
Professor Intisar A. Rabb
Jiangsu High People’s Court Training Program
Deakin University in Victoria, Australia Supreme Court Fellows

January 2016
International Visitor Leadership Program (Israel’s Research and Information Center of the Knesset)
Pepperdine University School of Law
Sheila Hollis and Family

February 2016
University of Louisiana (Moscow State University)
Georgetown Law School (International Legal Scholars)
Federal Judicial Center Interns
Investigative Group International (IGI)
German Embassy (German Federal Criminal Police Office)

March 2016
International Judicial Academy (Shenzhen, China)
Indonesian Embassy House of Representatives
Northwestern Pritzker School of Law
Attorney General of Niger State, Nigeria
European University Center at the University of Illinois
Judge Heikki Kanninen – European Court of Justice
National Institutes of Health – US National Library of Medicine
ABA Science & Technology Section
April 2016
American Bar Association, Section of Science & Technology Law

May 2016
Jacob Burns Law Library at George Washington University
Embassy of Ireland
Air Force Legislative Office
Georgian Court Judges

June 2016
Deputy Speaker & Deputy Secretary General of the Sri Lankan Parliament
US Senate Library
International Visitor Leadership Program (Georgian Delegation)
Securities and Exchange Commission
Women’s Bar Association

July 2016
Region Legal Services Office, Naval District Washington
Bard College US Foreign Policy Summer Institute
International Judicial Academy (Shanghai University students)

August 2016
International Law Institute
Georgetown University Law Center
Federal Judiciary of the United States

September 2016
American University Washington College of Law (SJD candidates)
Secretary General of the Sri Lankan Parliament
Public Procurement Institute
International Visitor Leadership Program (Middle East & North Africa)
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 & Policy
- Pepperdine University
- Royal Holloway, University of London
- Seton Hall University
- European Court of Justice
- American Bar Association Section of International Law
- Senate Services Fair
- Summer Teacher Institute

Statistics

- Congressional Briefings = 18 (125 attendees)
- VIP Tours/Briefings = 79 (2,654 attendees)
- Legal Research Seminars = 18 (204 attendees)
- Legal Research Orientations = 20 (73 attendees)
- Classes/Webinars = 6 Webinars (56 attendees)

Total Events: 141
Total attendees: 3,112

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-a-half-hour seminar, a Law Library specialist discusses the
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 Congress.gov (formerly 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 during the legislative process. Sources of compiled legislative histories and methods of compiling legislative histories are covered. Internet sources that are discussed include Congress.gov, 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 US Code. The organizational principles and features facilitating research and the significance of positive law enactments of the titles of the US Code are discussed. Electronic sources that are covered include the Office of the Law Revision Counsel’s United States Code website, Congress.gov, FDsys, and other subscription databases available through the Library of Congress.

This program is open to interns who have attended the CRS Intern Orientation.

**Tracing Federal Regulations:** This class serves as an introduction to federal regulations research for congressional staffers. Participants are shown how to find information about a regulation through every step of the notice-and-comment process, including information in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), the Federal Register (Fed. Reg.), and an agency’s docket. To do so, the instructor starts by explaining the print-based foundation of regulations research, and then expands into the use of several Internet-based resources, including the Government Publishing Office’s FDsys and eCFR, FederalRegister.gov, Regulations.gov, and HeinOnline. The two-part structure of the class is similar to other Congressional Legal Instruction Program (CLIP) classes, in that the instructor first provides a detailed lecture, and then the concepts explained in the lecture are put to real-world use through sample in-class exercises.

Knowledge of the US Code and legislative procedure is a prerequisite for this program. Completion of the Introduction to Legislative Research class is strongly suggested.

This program is open to interns who have attended the CRS Intern Orientation.

**Congress.gov:** Congress.gov, the successor to THOMAS.gov, the public site for legislative information, was launched on September 19, 2012. This orientation is designed to give a basic overview of the new 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

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Washington, DC

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George Washington University Law School
Washington, DC

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Law Office of Amy L. Meyerson
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Don Simon, Assistant Law Librarian for Administrative Operations

American Bar Association Staff
Elissa Lichtenstein, Director
Ken Goldsmith, Legislative Counsel
Appendix E: Law Library Staff

OFFICE OF THE LAW LIBRARIAN
Robert I. Shaffer – Law Librarian of Congress (Acting, October 2015–February 2016; permanent beginning February 2016)
Sokol, Donna

OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS
Simon, Donald – Assistant Law Librarian for Administrative Operations
Allen, Kimberly
Fong, Xi
Hawkins, Patricia
Moore, Barbara
Wilson, Leshay

Asset Management Team
Dove, Charles – Director
Le, Trung
Long, Kevin
McCalip, Latesha
Ouellette, Patrick
Wilkie, George

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

Editorial Team
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GLOBAL LEGAL RESEARCH
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Chang, Irene
Goitom, Hanibal
Levush, Ruth
Sadek, George
Saliba, Issam
Umeda, Sayuri
Zeldin, Wendy
Zhang, Laney

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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
LoBianco, Alex
Mahannah, William
Martin, Jim
Rahman, Shameema
Sarratt, Larry
Schaefer, Leslie
Winston, Andrew
Wood, Margaret

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Hubbard, Tynesha

Digital Resources Division
James, Jill –Chief
Brammer, Robert
Gill, Jacinda
Gonzalez, Jennifer
Macias, Francisco
Weber, Andrew

Collection Services Division
Carroll, Kurt – Chief
Chen, Lai
Creech, Suneewan
Darland, Joshua
Davis, Jennifer
Dorn, Nathan
Dunlap, Karlton
Kuhagen, Brian
Lupinacci, Betty
Moore, Elizabeth
Pukniel, Agnieszka
Sigmund, Ken
Tajchert, Agata
Wang, Wei
Young, Reginald (retired October 2015)

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Brooks, Eric
Davis, Latisha
Floto, Charles
Korres, Elizabeth
London, Tanya
Lyons, Julius
Zheng, Wanlan

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Vacant – Assistant Law Librarian for Legislative and External Affairs (since December 2014)
Brown, Clifton
Cali, Jeanine – Manager (until November 2015)
Caravalho, Liah
Heavner, Penny (beginning March 2016)
Hubbard, Tynesha (beginning August 2016)
Jordan, Cynthia (until April 2016)
Marques de Castilla, Isabella (on detail from National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, beginning July 2016)
Zellars, Kimberly