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ANNUAL REPORT 2014–2015

Lectures on Law

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at his Law School

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MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR



We began this series of annual reports nearly a decade ago in an effort to summarize the more notable activities, challenges and accomplishments of our library on a yearly basis. In the subsequent years, we successfully weathered a financial collapse, oversaw budget cuts, bid farewell to at least a dozen staff members and welcomed many new ones, expanded our digital resources, invested in rare books, launched a host of new services, and rebuilt our library in a manner that best serves the current Yale Law School community and the larger world of legal scholars. Our aspiration throughout has been to be the best academic law library in the world. To us that means matching current collections, services and support with the needs of our users, particularly members of the Yale Law School community.

It's enlightening to read the current Annual Report together with those earlier ones to see how our library has transitioned within a relatively short period of time. For any of you who may be interested in viewing these, the past five annual reports (beginning with 2009–2010) can be viewed on our library's website. Here I will merely summarize some of our library's more notable accomplishments reported in the current annual report:

- Added nearly 20 major new databases to our rich array of online research materials
- Celebrated the arrival of two significant new collections of historical research materials: Anthony Taussig's collection of English rare law books and the library of the Stephan Kuttner Institute of Medieval Canon Law
- Completed the digitization of Litchfield notebooks held by our library and the Litchfield Historical Society, and created a related portal to all 176 existing notebooks
- Bid farewell to our beloved therapy dog, Monty, who after a faithful run of service has moved to emeritus status
- Launched our first ever student fiction writing contest

- Sponsored over one dozen new book talks by faculty, students and alumni
- Curated over a half dozen major exhibits focused on an astonishing range of topics and celebrating major milestones in legal publishing
- Hosted our second rare book fellow, Anna Franz, who created an online guide to the Kuttner Institute library, among other activities
- Expanded legal research instruction and enrolled a record number of students in our Advanced Legal Research course
- Published *A Bibliographic Catalog of William Blackstone* by the library's former deputy director, Ann Laeuchli, which won this year's prestigious Joseph L. Andrews Legal Literature Award from the American Association of Law Libraries (AALL)
- Continued to see an increase in the circulation of printed books, including an increase in the use of print course reserves to nearly 4,000 check-outs (representing about 10% of all library circulation)

One significant accomplishment not evident from reading this report but worth mentioning here is my own absence from the library for the second half of the year. Last fall, following Monty's example, I announced my plans to retire from the library, effective June 30, 2016. In preparation for this event, I took a leave of absence from January through June, 2015, and the library's highly capable Deputy Director, Teresa Miguel-Stearns, managed the library. The library's continued success and many achievements during this period is a testament to Ms. Miguel-Stearns's excellent leadership and managerial skills and the amazing library staff who supported her throughout this time. My own absence seemed unnoticeable, and I feel more confident than ever that the library will continue to be a major source of pride for the rest of the Yale Law School community long after I am gone.

I hope you enjoy this Annual Report.

S. Blair Kauffman
Law Librarian and Professor of Law

BOOK TALK SERIES



Reisman, Michael and Christina Parajon Skinner. *Fraudulent Evidence before Public International Tribunals: The Dirty Stories of International Law*. October 16, 2014.

Betts, Dwayne. *A Question of Freedom: A Memoir of Learning, Survival, and Coming of Age in Prison*. October 21, 2014.

Speth, James. *Angels by the River: A Memoir*. October 27, 2014.

Kahn, Paul. *Finding Ourselves at the Movies: Philosophy for a New Generation*. November 5, 2014.

Biskupic, Joan. *Breaking In: The Rise of Sonia Sotomayor and the Politics of Justice*. Commentary by Linda Greenhouse. November 11, 2014.

Schuck, Peter. *Why Government Fails So Often: And How It Can Do Better*. November 12, 2014.

Post, Robert. *Citizens Divided: Campaign Finance Reform and the Constitution*. December 1, 2014.

Olopade, Dayo. *The Bright Continent: Breaking Rules and Making Change in Modern Africa*. December 2, 2014.

Pearl, Matthew. *The Dante Club: A Novel*. In conjunction with an exhibit of "Yale Law School Past and Present Authorship." Commentary by Noah Messing. December 4, 2015.

Thoreson, Ryan. *Transnational LGBT Activism: Working for Sexual Rights Worldwide*. Co-sponsored by The Orville H. Schell Jr. Center For International Human Rights. Introduction by Jim Silk. February 5, 2015.

Schnall, Marianne. *What Will It Take to Make a Woman President*. Cosponsored by The Yale Law Women, The Yale Federalist Society, and The American Constitution Society. Commentary by Abbe Gluck. February 19, 2015.

Hessick, Carissa and Gabriel Chin. *Strange Neighbors: The Role of States in Immigration Policy*. Cosponsored by The Yale Federalist Society. February 24, 2015.

Kaufman, Emma. *Punish and Expel: Border Control, Nationalism, and the New Purpose of the Prison*. Cosponsored by The Arthur Liman Public Interest Program and The American Constitution Society. Commentary by Judith Resnik. April 7, 2015.



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LIBRARY ADMINISTRATION: PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE AMIDST A CHANGING ENVIRONMENT

“The Law School and its Library are among the glories of Yale.”

—Andrew Lipka, M.D., Chairman, Yale for Life Steering Committee



Law Librarian Blair Kauffman presents Sir John Baker with a memento from the Taussig Celebration.

This was a year of change for the administrative team. During the summer of 2014, Law Librarian and Professor of Law, Blair Kauffman, announced his retirement after over 20 years at the Lillian Goldman Law Library effective June 30, 2016. As part of a phased retirement, Mr. Kauffman was on leave from January through June 2015. During this time, Teresa Miguel-Stearns, Deputy Director, assumed the position of Acting Director. Additionally, in February 2015, Liliane McClenning, long-time Senior Administrative Assistant, retired after 35 years at Yale and 25 years at the law library. Ms. McClenning is missed by the entire Yale Law School community, but Sarah Kraus has stepped into the position with great eagerness and aptitude. Ms. Kraus has worked in the law library for several years, most recently as our highly-regarded Faculty Services Assistant. Ms. Kraus

joins Shana Jackson, Office Assistant, to help run the day-to-day operations of the library.

Library Administration, among all the exciting changes, continues to think and plan for the future keeping in mind the library’s Strategic Plan and the missions of the Yale Law School and Yale University. We continually examine and anticipate the changing landscape for libraries, scholarship, and publishing as we consider organizational adjustments and set priorities for future projects, work, and service models. The changes this year in Library Administration allowed us to re-examine portions of our work and focus on the first goal in the library’s Strategic Plan: to provide highly-valued, relevant services to our faculty and students. To that end, Library Administration increased contact and targeted services to various student constituencies

and to our faculty. The library also reached out to and collaborated with other units and departments within YLS in launching several new initiatives and projects.

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT *YLS Student Groups*

This year the law library made a more concerted effort to support students outside the walls of the law library by offering to co-sponsor events with them. This was a greatly successful initiative! For example:

- We helped bring *Sliver of a Full Moon*, a theatrical production, to YLS, and we printed beautiful posters announcing the event which was primarily organized and sponsored by the Native American Law Students Association
- We obtained the film, *Paris is Burning*, secured screening rights, and created posters for the movie night we co-sponsored with the Outlaws at Yale Law School
- We provided library space to the Black Law Students Association to host a book sale featuring autographed fiction and poetry of famous young authors to benefit New Haven children
- We created posters and collaborated with Yale Law Women to bring Anita Hill and her documentary, *Anita*, to Yale Law School

First-Year Orientation

The law library’s orientation for all first year law students, which has evolved over many years, is an extensive endeavor involving every member of the law library staff. We greet the students in their Small Groups in a classroom and give them a general overview of library services. We then rotate the Small Groups of students through our magnificent Reading Room, set-up with six stations introducing the exceptionally high level of service and support they can expect from the law library during their three years here. We strive not to overload our new students with excessive information. The most important takeaway is that we want the library to be their home away from home; we want them to be comfortable physically and in asking any library staff member any question at any time.

PhD Students

This year saw the arrival of 5 new PhD students. In order to provide the PhD students with comfortable and secure closed carrels, and keep them in the same general vicinity within the library where they can utilize library resources and seek assistance on site, the library worked with YLS to convert 10 nooks of shelf space into closed carrels. So successful was this project that we are in the process of creating six new closed carrels for the third incoming class this fall. Thus, the library provides secure carrel space for all PhD students within the library.

The library has assigned each PhD student a “Personal Librarian” to provide individualized library support. The librarian serves as the student’s first point-of-contact for research assistance and general information. The library also hosts a lunch for the PhD students during which a dialogue ensues between students and librarians. This allows us to ensure the students are aware of the services available to them and to solicit feedback on how we might improve our services for them.

FACULTY ENGAGEMENT

The Lillian Goldman Law Library together with the Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library hosted a celebration of the acquisition of the Anthony Taussig Collection of English Legal Manuscripts and Printed Books (featured in previous law library annual reports). This acquisition would not have been possible without the generous support of Yale Law School and the Ruebhausen fund, or the advice of John Langbein, Sterling Professor Emeritus of Law and Legal History. Prof. Langbein worked with Rare Book Librarian Mike Widener and Associate Librarian for Collections and Access Fred Shapiro, to select the best and most relevant books for the law library. Prof. Langbein also gave closing remarks at the day-long Taussig celebration in October. Other prominent speakers included YLS Dean Robert Post, Sir John Baker (University of Cambridge), Professor Anders Winroth (Yale University), Andrew Brown (Yale University) and Anthony Taussig (Lincoln’s Inn, London). The celebration featured exhibits of the Taussig books and manuscripts at both the law library and the Beinecke Rare Book & Manuscript Library.



John Langbein, Sterling Professor Emeritus of Law and Legal History, delivers closing remarks at the Taussig Celebration.

As in past years, the law library ran its long-standing Book Talk series in support of our faculty, student, and alumni scholarship. This year our Book Talk series featured four new faculty books, three student books, and six alumni books. Each author gave inspiring and educational talks on their recently-published books and many included introductions by or discussions with other members of our faculty.

The library is pleased to continue to support faculty publishing by subsidizing Scholastica, an electronic submission system, in addition to ExpressO.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The 800th Anniversary of the Magna Carta provided an opportunity to bring the YLS community together for a fun and educational day. Julian Aiken, Jordan Jefferson, Ms. Kraus, and Ms. Miguel-Stearns created a three-part exhibit on display in the library’s Reading Room featuring the history, legacy, and influence of Magna Carta. We also hosted a community picnic on June 15 to both celebrate Magna Carta’s anniversary and to thank the Yale Law School community for their assistance, goodwill, and collaboration on many events and projects over the course of the past year. Mr. Widener and Anna Franz, Rare Book Fellow, opened the Rare Book Room to visitors and displayed many items in the collection pertaining to Magna Carta and its influence on English legal history and American independence.

An example of inter-departmental collaboration includes the participation of Ms. Miguel-Stearns and Julie Krishnaswami,

Head of Instruction, in the YLS Career Development Office’s panel on alternative careers. The library also hosted a Trivia Night with YLS Office of Student Affairs. Ms. Miguel-Stearns participated in several development efforts hosted by the law school this year, including a “Thank You” reception for alumni-donors at the Yale Club in New York City, and the Goldman Scholars dinner at YLS. The Goldman Scholars are a group of remarkable women who attended YLS with the financial support of the Goldman family scholarship endowed 20 years ago. Both events were wonderful opportunities to reconnect with alumni, all of whom have fond memories of our spectacular library!

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Blair Kauffman, Law Library Director and Professor of Law, delivered opening remarks at the Taussig Celebration in October. He is the 2015 recipient of the Frederick Charles Hicks Award for Outstanding Contributions to Academic Law Librarianship, presented by the Academic Law Libraries Special Interest Section of the American Association of Law Libraries (AALL).

Teresa Miguel-Stearns, Deputy Director, was elected and served as Chair of the Foreign, Comparative, and International Law Special Interest Section of AALL (2013-15). She was also nominated and selected to serve on the Standing Committee of the Law Library section of the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (2015-2018). Ms. Miguel-Stearns attended Rare Book School last summer and led the planning of the Taussig Celebration in the fall. She lectured to a *Yale for Life* class on the Black Tom explosion and German saboteurs during WWI, and ensuing litigation.



Liliane McClenning retired after 35 years at Yale.

FOREIGN AND INTERNATIONAL LAW COLLECTION: A COLLECTION WITHOUT BORDERS

The Foreign and International Law Collection at the Lillian Goldman Law Library boasts one of the nation’s major academic international law collections and an extensive selection of sources on comparative law in English, French, German, Italian, and Spanish, as well as focused foreign law acquisitions.



Ryan Harrington, Evelyn Ma, Basia Olszowa, and Dan Wade at the Foreign and International Law Collection office area

Daniel Wade, Curator of Foreign and International Law, oversees the exceptional and heavily used human rights collection, in addition to acquisitions from a wide variety of foreign jurisdictions. Other librarians assist with the selection process based on their interest and expertise. Ryan Harrington selects for Germany, Switzerland, Austria, and India. Evelyn Ma collects for Korea, Japan, Singapore and China. John Nann’s portfolio includes Canada, Australia, New Zealand, the United Kingdom and the European Union. Teresa Miguel-Stearns, with the assistance of Cate Kellett, collects for Latin America and Iberia. Julie Krishnaswami selects materials on global women’s issues. The collective effort has grown our diverse collection into one of the finest for comparative law research. Assisted by librarians, our Library Services Assistant,

Barbara Olszowa, continually monitors and weeds the collection to ensure its relevance. The Foreign and International Law Collection regularly reevaluates its print and digital content. Sections pertaining to South Africa, Canada, and Latin America were substantially assessed and weeded this summer by Mr. Harrington, Ms. Ma and Mr. Wade. The collection development policy of the foreign and international law collection was overhauled by Mr. Wade this past spring, with the input of librarians involved in the selection process, thus reflecting the current specific areas of growth, retention, and reduction in our sizable collection. Notable new acquisitions include ICC *Dispute Resolution Library*, an online service containing documents and publications by the International Centre of

Commerce on arbitration and other forms of dispute resolution. Online access to the *Oxford’s Historical Treaties* collection was added and it complemented the plethora of research tools in public international law subscribed to by the library. Lastly, our collection was enriched by several multi-volume sets of judicial decisions and monographs on constitutional and administrative law gifted by the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Korea, and by significant purchases of older and rare legal material from the Andean region.

The law library is a member of the Northeast Foreign Law Librarians’ Cooperative Group (NEFLLCG). Librarians in the Foreign and International Law Collection meet twice a year with their counterparts from the law libraries of Columbia University, Cornell University, Fordham University, Georgetown University, Harvard University, and University of Pennsylvania. The meetings facilitate exchange and collaboration among members of the group in their efforts to keep up with developments in the international legal publishing industry. This helps ensure a more comprehensive global law collection that can meet the ever-changing research needs and scholarly interests of our constituents in major academic law libraries in the United States.

We continue to highlight the Foreign and International Law Collection through our exhibit case. Four exhibits were prepared in the past year. *Stolen Art* showcased materials available on comparative art law in the foreign and international collection. It represented materials taken from antiquity to modern day, ranging from Jewish property stolen during the Holocaust to maps stolen from Yale’s own Beinecke Library. *Judges, Judging and Judicial Lawmaking in International Law* displayed a sampling of treatises pertaining to judicial opinions as a source of the corpus of international law and the impact of judges’ exercise of public authority through lawmaking on democratic governance. *Detention on a Global Scale* consisted of a selection of works from our expansive collection that explores how the issue of detention intersects with international human rights law, humanitarian law, and refugee law, as well as criminal justice. The exhibit complemented the combined Robert L. Bernstein International Human Rights Fellowship Symposium and Arthur Liman Public Interest Colloquium entitled

Detention on a Global Scale: Punishment and Beyond, hosted by Yale Law School in April.

The League of Nations exhibit traced the formative years of the intergovernmental organization since its inception and its efforts to broker durable peace during the intervening years of the two world wars. All four exhibits benefited from the artistic acumen of Ms. Olszowa, who also prepares numerous timely book cover displays of recent acquisitions with different thematic foci.

The League of Nations exhibit coincided with the Yale for Life program on Revisiting 1914-1945: WWI Centennial and D-Day Anniversary. Yale for Life is a program that brings Yale alumni back to campus “to recapture the pleasure of on-campus university intellectual life.” Mr. Harrington held a session to discuss the rise and fall of the League of Nations and the impact on International Law, while Ms. Miguel-Stearns discussed German saboteurs and subsequent international arbitration used to resolve the damage claims.

Mr. Harrington and Ms. Ma have worked together to provide research training to students enrolled in foreign and international law courses. While no formal for-credit foreign and international law research course was offered this past year, individualized and group research training sessions, often at the request of faculty members, were offered. Additionally, Mr. Harrington taught two research skills workshops on treaty research throughout the academic year while Ms. Ma offered a workshop, Prepare to Practice: Foreign and International Law Resources in the spring. Online research guides tailored for specific classes or clinical needs at the law school were updated. They include guides for Professor Michael Reisman’s International Arbitration and International Investment Law classes, Professor Jim Silk’s Lowenstein Human Rights Clinic, and Professor Jean Koh Peters’ Immigration Legal Services Clinic.

Librarians work closely with members of the Law School Graduate Programs to incorporate library resources and research training into the studies of the graduate community. Ms. Ma and Ms. Kellett continue to coordinate the Movie Night @ YLS series, a monthly event that provides a lighter platform for international cultural exchange through the

medium of movies. These events were regularly attended by the graduate community, which consists of students enrolled in the graduate programs and visiting researchers.

Librarians also participate in the global exchange of legal information. Mr. Harrington and Ms. Miguel-Stearns attended the International Association of Law Libraries annual meeting in Buenos Aires, Argentina. Mr. Harrington and Ms. Ma also attended the annual meeting of the American Society of International Law in Washington D.C. this past spring. At the annual meeting of the American Association of Law Libraries in San Antonio, Texas, Mr. Wade convened a well-attended reading group for librarians on the crisis in Ukraine.



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PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Ryan Harrington is the Head of Foreign and International Law. He is currently serving in his fifth year as a Contributing Editor for U.S. Law to *International Legal Materials*, where he also published an introductory note relating to the settlement of refugees in Cambodia. His article “Understanding the ‘Other’ International Agreements” was recently awarded the 2015 AALL/LexisNexis Call for Papers Award. He has a forthcoming piece in the *West Virginia Law Review* on “Political Commitments and the Case Act.” He is a member of the AALL Research and Publications Committee and recently finished his term serving as a member of the committee for the FCIL-SIS Shaffer Grant for Foreign Law Librarians.

Evelyn Ma is the Reference Librarian for Foreign and International Law. She chairs the Asian Law Interest Group of the Foreign, Comparative and International Law Special Interest Section at AALL. She is also a member of Chinese-American Forum of Legal Information (CAFLI) Executive Board. She presented on *Regional Inter-Governmental Organizations in Africa and Asia* at the FCIL SIS Asian Law Interest Group Meeting, July 15, 2014.

TECHNICAL SERVICES: ACQUIRING, DESCRIBING, AND DISCOVERING

“YLS’ library is absolutely incredible. What a privilege it is to be a scholar here.”

—Scott J. Shapiro, Charles F. Southmayd Professor of Law and Professor of Philosophy, remarking on the law library’s excellent service overall, and also specifically responding to a particularly speedy acquisition of a hard-to-find publication from Singapore.



Pat Caple prepares library materials for shipment to a bindery. The library binds over 1,000 volumes each year to preserve the materials for future patrons

Technical Services continued to support collection development, ensured the library’s materials were up-to-date, and made all materials regardless of format discoverable by researchers.

As stellar staff took on more tasks, Caitlyn Lam successfully piloted work in digital project and asset management. The unit added a new librarian when Jason Eiseman moved from the Reference and Instructional Services department to better coordinate work on digital projects.

The library bid a bittersweet farewell to Maria Puzzo, Acquisitions Assistant, who retired from the law library after more than 55 years of service to Yale libraries. This departure meant acquisitions staff Louisa DeGaetano and Pat Caple, along with new team leader, Diana

Quinones, had to be even more flexible while the search for a new staff member ensued. They rose to the challenge and kept the work moving with minimal disruption to the library.

Head of Acquisitions Anne Myers supervised the placement of almost 10,000 orders over the course of the year, and Ms. Caple dealt with a change of bindery vendor for the second time in as many years. Serials Assistant Rosemary Williams received and accounted for over 18,000 magazines, journal issues, pocket parts, and loose-leaf updates. Pamela Clifford managed the accounts payable for over 12,000 individual items.

Ms. Lam and Mr. Eiseman completed the bulk of work on a major initiative to digitize student notebooks from the Litchfield Law School. While the law library holds the preeminent collection of these manuscript transcriptions

of law school lectures, the project also included notebooks from the Litchfield Historical Society. The project was part of the impetus to develop a formal digital project and asset management role in the law library. Ms. Lam and Mr. Eiseman have worked as hard developing and documenting new roles and processes as they have digitizing the materials. The law library is now positioned to move forward with ambitious digital projects in the future. (See pp. 23 for more details on the Litchfield notebooks project).

In addition to her cataloging and government documents duties, Cate Kellett has taken on responsibilities for selecting legal materials from Latin American and Iberian countries. She continues to spend several hours a week at the reference desk as do Mr. Eiseman and Scott Matheson. Working directly with library patrons at the reference desk allows technical services staff to answer specialized questions and better understand the needs of our patrons. These patron interactions inform the daily work of the department to ensure patrons’ needs are always at the forefront of the department’s work.

A new search tool called Quicksearch, which combines the catalogs of the Yale University Library and the law library into a single search, launched in beta mode this past year. Over the course of the next year, the system will be refined and eventually become the primary search tool for the Yale community to discover library holdings. Mr. Matheson worked to ensure the law library’s catalog was represented and is kept up-to-date automatically. Ms. Kellett assisted with mapping and aligning data from both catalog systems on campus and created videos showing patrons how to use the new system. Other law library staff assisted with user testing during the initial development. Quicksearch has been, and will continue to be, a collaboration among librarians from the law library and the central Yale University Library.

TREKKING TO THE ANDES TO FIND UNUSUAL BOOKS
Ms. Kellett traveled to Bolivia in the fall with Deputy Director Teresa Miguel-Stearns to select over 900 Andean region



Cate Kellett peruses the stacks of a book collector and seller in Cochabamba, Bolivia.

law books from the stock of a book dealer winding down his business (and offering a significant discount). The books, mostly unavailable in United States libraries, chiefly cover the law of Bolivia, Colombia,

and Venezuela. Cooperation between selectors, acquisitions specialists, and catalogers made this signal undertaking a success, resulting in a greatly enhanced collection for patrons.

Acquisitions	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
Monograph titles added	7,652	7,943	7,112	8,855
DVD titles added	235	233	165	182
Print titles/copies cancelled	55	77	35	129
Serial pieces received (including fiche)	31,516	29,353	43,727	23,347
Binding (volumes)	2,410	1,619	1,416	1,284

Volumes processed by the Acquisitions Department by fiscal year (FY).

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Jason Eiseman, Head of Technology Services, presented a Continuing Legal Education workshop on advanced search engine use at the Connecticut Bar Association Annual Meeting. He attended technical workshops on Blacklight, the system that powers Quicksearch, and advanced training for Sierra, the law library’s integrated library system. He also participated in a conference on interaction and critical design thinking.

Susan Karpuk, Rare Book Cataloger, assisted with the Rare Book School course taught at the law library and attended workshops on description of graphic materials and on name authorities in RDA, the new cataloging standard.

Cate Kellett, Catalog and Government Documents Librarian, attended the AALL conference in San Antonio and the Seminar on the Acquisition of Latin American Library Materials (SALALM) in Princeton. She is the Vice-President/President-Elect of the Southern New England Law Library Association (SNELLA) and the Member-at-Large of the Government Documents Special Interest Section (GD-SIS) of AALL. Ms. Kellett is Chair of the Law Library’s Programs Committee and a member of the Exhibits and Signs Committee.

Caitlyn Lam, Digital Resources Librarian, attended the Charleston Conference on library acquisitions and presented at the New England Technical Services Librarians Conference and at the Innovative Law Users Group (ILUG) meeting in San Antonio. She also served as chair of the ILUG Grants Committee.

Scott Matheson, Associate Librarian for Technical Services, presented a poster at the Innovative Users Group meeting and served as Vice Chair / Chair-elect of the Innovative Law Users Group. He serves on the Depository Library Council, participated in presentations at virtual Federal Depository Library meetings, and taught a graduate class in Government Information at the University of Illinois.

Anne Myers, Head of Acquisitions, participated in AALL continuing education programs on strategic leadership and soft skills. She attended programs on numerous genealogy topics that intersect with legal research, including immigration, military, and patent records as well as Freedom of Information Act requests. She presented a lecture on Government Documents in Genealogical Research to library school graduate students.

ACCESS SERVICES: A YEAR OF INNOVATION AND CHANGE

2015 was the year Access Services branched out in new and exciting directions. We developed innovative approaches to old conundrums, while maintaining our usual extraordinary levels of service. The year also saw the retirement of an old friend, and the bringing in of two new furry members to our department.



Jozy the therapy dog with his handler Christine Severson and a student.

Teamwork lies at the heart of the success of the Access Services department, and it was our great team of staff that helped us to succeed with a whole slew of fresh developments this year. Virtually all of our staff members were involved in the mounting of a major exhibit in the library’s main reading room, *Born That Way: An Exhibition of Outstanding Yale Law Student Authorship*. The exhibition celebrated the published work of past and present Yale Law School students, and showcased student books on subjects as diverse as women in the workplace, high school hazing, drugs and depression, a serial killer stalking nineteenth century Boston, the future of Africa, cravats, the American Dream, crime noir, coming of age in prison, genocide, the last days of Edgar Allan Poe, Venezuela, and dogs talking in the voices of Cotton Mather and Malcolm X.

The exhibition carried on its shoulders the small ambition that it might encourage others within our community to take to their typewriters, and to recognize that they too might be celebrated for their writing. To that end, our department organized an incredibly

successful short story contest, which attracted a remarkable number of superb entries. Distinguished author and Yale Law School alumnus, Matthew Pearl, joined faculty and staff in judging the competition, which turned out to be a splendid example of the sort of outreach program the Access Services team does so well. The winning stories (there were two of them!), along with three shortlisted entries, were deposited in the *Yale Law School Legal Scholarship Repository*, for future generations of law students to enjoy.

This is not the only new content the repository has seen. New student journals were added to the site, as were unique special collections materials that were previously unavailable online, and oral histories relating to the law school. A readership activity map was also added, displaying downloads in real time as they occur across the globe. The repository now contains over 6,000 papers, and has seen almost four-and-a-half million downloads. It represents a fabulous collaborative effort of law school faculty, Access Services staff and student workers, who together have created what is

clearly one of the most important open access portals to legal materials available on the web.

This year the Access Services staff collaborated to develop innovative approaches to one of our most important areas of responsibility: course reserves. Roughly 10% of all our law library checkouts for the past two years have been of print course reserve material. With a user population of approximately 700 students, 3,800 checkouts of course reserve books is a significant figure, and indicates just how important print course reserves are to our faculty and students.

For Access Services, however, there has been one significant stumbling block: gathering the information as to which books should be put on library reserve in time for the students at the start of the semester. This year, we decided upon a novel approach, which produced surprisingly positive results.

Instead of sending out our usual boilerplate emails to faculty requesting information about books they would like to have placed on reserve, we started to send them poetic zingers. We used poetry and Elizabethan dramatic verse to capture faculty’s attention, and engage them more fully in the course reserve process. We reasoned that poetry is intellectually engaging, it can have a real emotional hook, it is memorable, and perhaps most importantly, it can convey subtle messages to its audiences.

As an example, here’s a typical missive from June 2014:

Subject Line: *Course reserves Autumn 2014 (after John Keats)*

Before you know it, that season of mists and mellow fruitfulness is going to have rolled around once more. For those of you not currently on a half-reap’d furrow sound asleep, Drows’d with the fume of poppies it would be lovely if you could let me know the books you’d like to have placed on reserve. (Just reply to this email.)

Quick! Before the gathering swallows twitter in the skies.

Pip-pip!
Julian



The new approach seemed to strike an immediate chord with faculty. Within minutes, the responses were rolling in:

Loved it! More poetry in memos, please. :-) But I don’t have any reserves to send -- just enjoying the “friendship of the sun.” (Allingham)

Your latest poetry circulation has finally stirred me to a loud cheer – not simply for your efforts to motivate laggard faculty members like myself to send along Course Reserves, but more importantly for your efforts to remind our colleagues of some literary high spots of the English literary tradition.

Thank you for this notice, though there may have been a little less mordant way to convey it. Next time I suggest “Gather ye rosebuds while ye may....”

Question. If I send you my book list, can I still receive these wonderful emails?

In fall 2013, we put 310 titles on print course reserve. In fall 2014, that number increased by 51% to 467. Crucially, we were able to put many more of these titles on reserve in much better time, before the start of the semester. The triumph of poetry was reflected in course reserve book usage by our students. We saw a 66% increase in course reserve checkouts this fall compared to the previous year.

As well as increasing our course reserve business significantly, Access Services staff took on a new responsibility this year: shipping interlibrary loan books nationally and internationally. Our department has always

been responsible for processing and preparing interlibrary loan requests, but we have now taken on the shipping of those books ourselves in an effort to further improve our service to the global library community.

Finally, this year saw the retirement of one of our most popular members of staff. Monty, our world-famous therapy dog, finally hung up his collar after years of faithful service to our students. Monty joined the Access Services department in 2011 and, since then, has provided many, many hours of furry loving to our wonderful students. When he joined us, he was the first therapy dog ever to work at a major research library, and his arrival was greeted with excitement from multiple international media organizations. His story was covered in newspapers across the world, from the U.K. to Norway to Taiwan to Australia. He appeared on National Public Radio, and was, on one day, the most emailed story in the New York Times. Monty will be sorely missed, but is enjoying his retirement at the home of the head of Access Services.

And while Monty can never be replaced, our department has welcomed two new therapy dogs to continue his work: Jozy and Denver. These two delightful dogs have already developed close friendships with many of our students, and we look forward to working with them for years to come, as they help to make our library the sort of warm, happy, convivial environment our students so love to visit.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Julian Aiken, Head of Access Services, was recently awarded the inaugural Distinguished Achievement in Access Services Award. He is a member the Yale University Document Delivery group and Standing Committee on Professional Awareness. He presented on his department’s use of the Google 80/20 staffing model at the annual American Association of Law Libraries conference in San Antonio, TX, 2014, and was an organizer of the 2015 Advanced Digital Repositories conference in Williamsburg, VA.

Cesar Zapata, Collections and Access Coordinator, was very active this year as a member of the American Association of Law Libraries Task Force on Environmental Issues and the Yale Law School Sustainability Committee, both of which have been making a difference in the quality of life for the community at large. Mr. Zapata also participated in the Yale University Library Staff Association, with events that helped bring the Yale community together, including the annual Holiday Party, the New Haven Reads Book Drive, the American Red Cross Blood Drive, and food drives for local charities.



Monty the therapy dog retires.

COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT: CHALLENGES & SOLUTIONS

The Lillian Goldman Law Library aspires to provide the best and most creative collection services for the best law school.



Teresa Miguel-Stearns on a book-buying trip in Cochabamba, Bolivia

The collection development librarians of the law library were challenged to marshal our capabilities and our creativity, in order to serve the very ambitious research needs of the Yale Law School in the face of rapid changes in publishing, information formats, and patrons’ use of research materials. With the support of the Law School, we were able to find solutions and to maintain collecting in a way that few, if any, of our peer institutions can match.

Although we continue ambitious acquisition of print publications, increasingly, the utility of a research library is defined by its digital resources. In the past year, we added the following databases, among others:

- AILALink (American Immigration Lawyers Association)
- American Lawyer Media Law.com

- BNA Online (campuswide subscription)
- Cambridge Books Online (law ebooks)
- Elgar Online (law ebooks)
- Gale Artemis Primary Sources
- HeinOnline ABA Law Library Collection Periodicals
- HeinOnline Law in Eastern Europe
- HeinOnline Religion and the Law
- HeinOnline Tax Foundation Archive Publications
- Hein Online World Treaty Library
- ICC Dispute Resolution Library (International Chamber of Commerce)
- Law360

- NCLC Digital Library (National Consumer Law Center)
- Oxford Constitutional Law
- Oxford Historical Treaties
- Oxford Legal Research Library
- State Papers Online

Of particular importance among these acquisitions is the campus-wide subscription to BNA. We have long subscribed to the “BNA All” package, but it is only now that we are able to make it available to the entire Yale community, including administrative offices that use BNA extensively. This enhancement required considerable negotiations with other Yale entities to coordinate funding, but we felt it was worth the effort to provide a significant service to the University.

At the end of the fiscal year, we began negotiating with the *Wall Street Journal* to obtain a digital license for Yale Law School students and faculty, similar to the license we obtained last year for the *New York Times*. Law students in particular have clamored actively for WSJ access. This is an example of a collection service to our community that does not fit squarely into traditional library collection categories, but will be of great popularity with our primary patrons, and will respond to important new directions in their information habits. We expect to be one of a very small number of law schools with such access.

As mentioned in last year’s report, we continue to wrestle with finding a place for downloadable e-books in our collecting. In considering this question, we need to weigh such factors as patron expectations, the restrictions placed by publishers on e-books, and long-term preservation needs. Our e-book committee has rejected publisher e-book packages that do not have a multiuser model. This year, we entered into a one-year trial with the Edward Elgar company to purchase their e-books; we will refrain from buying their print books unless these are specifically requested for faculty, students, or course reserves. Elgar has a good license and platform and publishes quality books, and is thus a good candidate for experimentation.

Perhaps our major collection development change this year was a move to a more aggressive approach in negotiating licensing

agreements with digital vendors. We became much more insistent than in the past on protecting Yale’s and our patrons’ interests, and in complying with Yale University General Counsel preferences by trying very hard to eliminate objectionable clauses from licenses. Somewhat to our surprise, we found that if we stuck to our guns, even the largest and most intransigent publishers usually agreed to license revisions. We were able to negotiate difficult fundamental changes in our basic agreements with the crucial Thomson Reuters and LexisNexis vendors, and obtained important concessions from American Lawyer Media, Wolters Kluwer, the National Consumer Law Center, and Global Arbitration Review.

As mentioned above, we want to remain a major collector of print books. For monographs at least, print may offer a superior reading experience and these titles may not always be available digitally for long-term preservation. Tighter budgets at other libraries make it more important than ever for us to assume a national leadership role in collecting and preserving foreign, historical, and hard-to-obtain publications. Leadership of this kind serves not only the national scholarly community, but also Yale faculty and students, now and in the future. Some of the same leadership imperatives also apply to our acquiring expensive or unusual online resources.



Faculty Services Assistant Drew Adan scans a book chapter for a faculty member.

Our healthy budget and staff expertise position us to pursue collection development opportunities that may present themselves. For example, a Bolivian bookseller invited our Deputy Librarian and Latin American selector, Teresa Miguel-Stearns, to visit Cochabamba to select books from a collection of tens of thousands of titles (mostly published in the late twentieth century) covering a variety of legal topics from Venezuela, Colombia, Peru, Bolivia, and Chile. Ms. Miguel-Stearns traveled in September with Cate Kellett, our Catalog Librarian and future Latin American selector. They ultimately purchased, at extremely reasonable prices, approximately 900 books to fill in gaps in our collection.

The budget that enables us to serve faculty, students, and the larger community by ambitious collecting of monographs, electronic resources, and foreign and historical materials, is far from unlimited. We reconcile the ambitious collecting and the finite budget by cancelling many of our print serial subscriptions. This judicious pruning is justified by the fact that students and other patrons use reporters, periodicals, looseleaf services, digests, citators, encyclopedias, and practice materials, almost entirely in electronic form, and by the fact that the vast majority of cancelled serials have online equivalents. The money saved by cancellations is considerable and frees up enough funds to support virtually all requests for acquisitions and other access to information needed by faculty and students.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Fred Shapiro, Associate Librarian for Collections and Access, continued his roles as the Contributing Editor to *Black’s Law Dictionary* for historical information, consultant to the *Making of Modern Law* digital legal history products, consultant to the *Oxford English Dictionary* on legal terms, and series editor for Yale University Press on the Yale Law Library Series in Legal History and Reference. His discovery of the earliest known use of the term *African-American* was written up by the New York Times, April 21, 2015. He gave a talk about quotations at Cornell Law School in November 2014. Justice Anthony Kennedy cited him in the conclusion of the Justice’s concurring opinion in *Davis v. Ayala*.

Dan Wade is the Curator of Foreign and International Law Collection. He continues to chair the Foreign Selectors Special Interest Section at the Annual Meeting of the American Association of Law Libraries (AALL), and to represent the Foreign, Comparative, and International Special Interest Section (FCIL-SIS) at the CONELL Market Place at AALL. He also led an FCIL-SIS book discussion group on the Ukraine Crisis at AALL.



Poster from one of the six movie nights cosponsored by the law library and the Graduate Programs

RARE BOOK COLLECTION: CONNECTING COLLECTIONS WITH PEOPLE

Collections come alive when they are used. The Rare Book Collection fosters connections among its collections, the people who use them today, and those who created them in the past.



Rare Book Librarian Mike Widener shows early works on Magna Carta at an open house for the Yale Law School community, June 15, 2015.

“Mike Widener had contacted me during the summer about legal documents supporting a petition of Rome’s Jews in 1689 to be allowed to carry on business in the areas of the Papal State outside the Roman Ghetto. The documents were exceedingly helpful to me in identifying a movement in the legal community to recognize that rights are based on law rather than theological principle, as they had been in the past, the essential difference between a pre-modern and modern world. Collections like Yale’s are invaluable for researchers like me.”

— Kenneth Stow, Professor Emeritus of Jewish History, University of Haifa

PUBLIC PROGRAMMING
Class visits, tours, and exhibitions are the primary means of connecting the resources of the Rare Book Collection with students, scholars, and the general public. This past year was an especially busy one for these public programming efforts.

The exhibit season began with *The Common Law Epitomiz’d: Anthony Taussig’s Law Books* (September–November), curated by Rare Book Librarian Mike Widener and 2014 Rare Book Fellow Ryan Greenwood. The exhibit showcased many of the outstanding acquisitions from the collection of Anthony Taussig. It ran concurrently with an exhibit of Taussig manuscripts at the Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library, and had a featured role in the October 2 symposium celebrating the Taussig acquisition.

The following exhibit, *Murder and Women in Nineteenth-Century America: Trial Accounts in the Yale Law Library* (December–February), featured pamphlets from the library’s outstanding American Trials Collection. Mr. Widener co-curated the exhibit with Emma Molina Widener of Southern Connecticut State University, and the two gave a public talk on the exhibit on January 30.

250 Years of Blackstone’s Commentaries (March–May) documented the remarkable life of William Blackstone’s Commentaries on the Laws of England, the most influential book in the history of Anglo-American law. Mr. Widener co-curated the exhibit with Professor Wilfrid Prest of the University of Adelaide, the world’s leading expert on Blackstone. An April 17 public talk focused on the artistic aspects of Blackstone’s work, with a presentation by art historian Cristina S. Martinez (University of Ottawa) and a video by Mark Weiner (Law ’00), *Blackstone Goes Hollywood*, that includes an interview with Prest. *250 Years of Blackstone’s Commentaries* will be the first Lillian Goldman Law Library exhibit to travel: it will go on display at the Middle Temple in London, September–November, and then on to the University of Adelaide, December 2015–February 2016, for the annual meeting of the Australia and New Zealand Law and History Society.

Finally, *Evidence of Women: Women as Printers, Donors, and Owners of Law Texts* (June–August), curated by 2015 Rare Book Fellow Anna Franz, shows how women were owners and printers of legal texts long before they were allowed entry into the legal profession.

The collection continued to play an active role in the classroom. Early English law books were taken to Professor John Langbein’s History of the Common Law class (February 23 and April 20). A number of class sessions were held in the Paskus–Danziger Rare Book Reading Room: Professor Anders Winroth’s Legal History of Torture seminar (February 25), John Nann’s Research in American Legal History class (April 1), and Yale for Life classes on The Renaissance (June 3) and Revisiting 1914–1945 (June 17).

Rare Books staff conducted 20 tours for almost 600 people, including the Yale Summer Law Institute (July 2), LL.M. students (August 26), transfer students (August 29), first-year students (September 2), Yale University Library staff (September 17), attendees at the Taussig Celebration symposium (October 2), Yale Parents Weekend open house (October 10), Yale Law School Alumni Weekend open house (October 24), Indonesian moot court students (November 20), Yale Law School Public Affairs staff (December 12), students from Law School of Korea (January 20),

Linkage students (February 6), Yale Law School staff (February 12), University of New Haven students (March 26), admitted students (April 16–17), the Connecticut Supreme Court Historical Society (April 23), attendees at the Grand Opening Symposium of the library of the Stephan Kuttner Institute of Medieval Canon Law (May 20–22), and the library’s Magna Carta open house (June 15).

The Internet is a vital part of the department’s public programming. This year there were 29 posts to the Yale Law Library Rare Books Blog, including one by a student: *De Salute Gregis Dominici: A Papal Bull Banning Bullfighting in 1567* by Raffael Nicolas Fasel, LL.M. candidate, Yale Law School. Over 500 images were added to the Rare Book Collection’s Flickr site, for a total of 3,500 images. The Flickr site passed a milestone at the end of the year, with over a million views since its inception in November 2006.

COLLECTIONS

One of the most significant additions to the Rare Book Collection is a collection of correspondence between U.S. Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas and the man Douglas credited with putting him on the road to his legal career, attorney James Thompson Donald (1893–1958) of Yakima, Washington and Baker, Oregon. Donald convinced Douglas to go to law school at Columbia, and he was a mentor, friend, and fishing buddy to Douglas for the rest of his life. The collection includes 93 letters from Douglas to Donald, discussing Supreme Court cases, politics, and fishing trips. Among the other items are 45 photographs of Douglas, Donald, and their friends on fishing and hunting trips in the Pacific Northwest.

The Italian Statute Collection, already the largest outside of Italy, added the 122-volume *Raccolta Generale delle Leggi per gli Stati di*

Parma (1822–1860), the only complete set registered in WorldCat. Two bound volumes containing 204 individually published Venetian decrees (1574–1675) cover an incredible range of issues: gun control, vagrancy, prisons, jailhouse snitches, taxes, smuggling, coinage, and banking, to name but a few. It is rare to find such volumes before dealers break them up. Another 17 titles, including 11 from the Duchy of Savoy, are the only copies in WorldCat, and 9 others are the only North American copies in WorldCat. Closely related is a collection of 85 mostly printed documents from 31 trials (1673–1867), in Rome and elsewhere in the Papal States, on issues including marriage, inheritance, parish governance, liturgy, commercial law, land titles, vineyards, debts, funerals, hunting, grazing rights, benefices, taxation, medical malpractice, tithes, and water rights. A separate acquisition was four printed legal briefs from 1689 arguing against restrictions on Jewish merchants in Rome.

The library acquired several lots at the November 2014 auction of books from the New York City Bar. These included a three-volume set of Litchfield Law School notebooks, a notebook of King’s Bench cases from 1740–1741, a two-volume *Repertorium Utriusque Iuris* (Nuremberg, 1476), and a volume of six separate treatises on Roman law printed in northern Italy between 1486 and 1497, most of them the only copies known to exist in North America.

The American Trials Collection grew by 43 items, several of which were featured in a recent exhibition, *Murder and Women in 19th-Century America*. Six of these were manuscripts, including a pair of depositions from the 1839 Amistad slave revolt.

The most significant additions to the William Blackstone Collection included a letter from Blackstone to Shakespeare scholar George

KUTTNER INSTITUTE OF MEDIEVAL CANON LAW LIBRARY

The library of the Stephan Kuttner Institute of Medieval Canon Law continues to attract scholars from across Yale and around the world. Work on the collection by 2015 Rare Book Fellow Anna Franz and others completed the integration of the Kuttner Collection with the Lillian Goldman Law Library and made the collection even more accessible to researchers.

Principle among these efforts is the Guide to Using the Stephan Kuttner Institute of Medieval Canon Law Library, authored by Ms. Franz and officially launched on the law library’s website on May 20. It introduces the institute and its library to researchers and explains how they can access and use the collection. The guide also includes a spreadsheet detailing the institute’s manuscript reproduction holdings and a document explaining the shelving scheme for the book collection.

Physical work on the Kuttner Collection also continued with the help of Craig Kirkland and Benjamin Bernard, both of Access Services. Under Ms. Franz’s direction, they rehoused many of the manuscript reproduction print-outs, shifted the offprints collection, and relabeled boxes as needed.

Finally, the Kuttner Collection was the star of the Grand Opening Symposium, *Rem non novam nec insolitam aggredimur*, organized by Professor Anders Winroth with support from the law library and held May 20–22. Members of the institute’s leadership and Kuttner’s family joined an international gathering of scholars for this celebration of the institute, its library, and the study of medieval canon law. The symposium included a tour of the Kuttner Collection’s new home, and an open house in the Paskus–Danziger Rare Book Reading Room featuring items from both the Kuttner Collection and the law library’s other collections.

REFERENCE STATISTICS, RARE BOOK COLLECTION

	FY 2010–11	FY 2011–12	FY 2012–13	FY 2013–14	FY 2014–15
Email	700	570	306	206	197
Phone	99	39	16	17	11
Visit	485	644	817	704	839
TOTAL	1284	1253	1139	927	1047

Stevens in January 1780, the last surviving letter of Blackstone’s before his death that year. We acquired volumes 5-7 of the London satirical magazine *Punch*, containing the first serialized publication of *The Comic Blackstone*. The most recent acquisition was the handwritten voucher for Blackstone’s 1759 salary of £200 as Vinerian Professor at Oxford, signed by Blackstone.

It was an outstanding year for donations from alumni. A generous gift from Henry Varet (LAW ’65) funded the acquisition of the *Repertorium Utriusque Iuris* (Nuremberg, 1476) at auction. David L. London (LAW ’93) donated a scrapbook and legal briefs documenting the work of his father, Jack London (LAW ’41) in prosecuting Nazi sympathizers for the Justice Department in World War II. From Sid M. Miller (LAW ’54) came *Injunctions* (1906) by Henry Wade Rogers, one time Dean of the Law School. The copy once belonged to Yale Law professor Arthur Corbin, who complained in a long handwritten annotation that he and a colleague had written the entire work, and that Rogers “never wrote a word.”

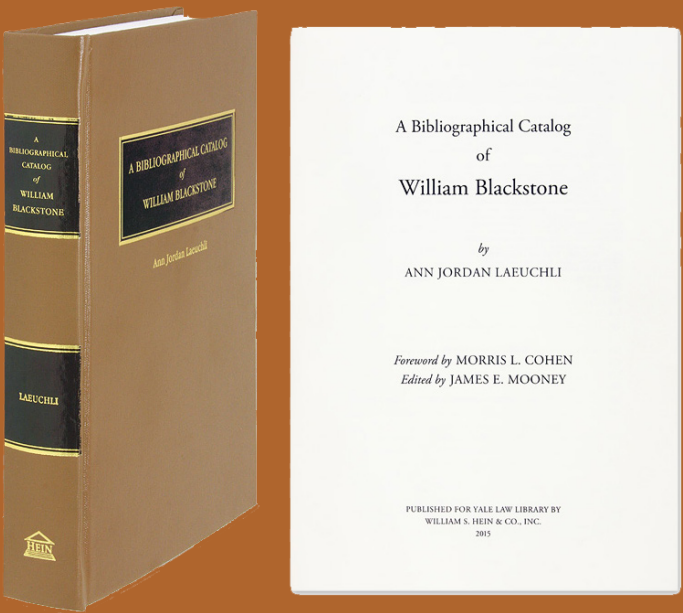
Lois Montbertrand (LAW ’85) is in a class of her own as a donor to the Rare Book Collection. Her gifts demonstrate the skill of an experienced collector, a firm grasp of research value, and sustained commitment. For many years she has built our collection of early American legal ephemera, with an emphasis on Connecticut. This year she donated the ledgers of an early 20th-century New York law firm and three early postcard views of the Yale Law School. In recent years postcards have been a new focus. This year she donated 26 postcards on church-state relations in France, five postcards and several related items on women in the French legal profession, 16 postcards on the sensational 1914 Paris murder trial of Madame Caillaux, five postcard views of French court buildings, and 18 postcards on breach of promise cases. Added to the hundreds of law-related postcards Montbertrand previously donated, they form an unexplored resource on early 20th-century legal history, especially in France, and the raw material for a possible digitization project. Other gifts this year from Montbertrand relate to women’s rights, copyright, anti-Semitism, and the courts in Vichy France.

FELLOWSHIP
Ms. Franz began her six-month fellowship on February 1 and made a number of outstanding contributions. Her main project was a comprehensive guide to the library of the Stephan Kuttner Institute of Medieval Canon Law, which the law library now houses. Her guide made its debut at the grand opening conference of the Kuttner Collection, May 21-22. Ms. Franz was herself one of the invited speakers at this international conference of canon law historians, delivering a scholarly paper on Christian-Jewish relations in the early Middle Ages. Working closely with the Secretary of the Kuttner Institute, Professor Anders Winroth of Yale, Ms. Franz coordinated the rehousing and reshelving of Kuttner materials, and assisted Susan Karpuk, Rare Book Cataloger, in its cataloging. She also curated and installed a major exhibition, *Evidence of Women: Women as Printers, Donors, and Owners of Law Texts* (June-August). She visited the Harvard Law Library Special Collections and the Litchfield Historical Society. She has been involved in all aspects of department operations, including acquisitions, public services, tours, and class presentations.

CATALOGING
The collection is possibly unique among special collections with active acquisitions programs, in that it has virtually no cataloging backlog. This is thanks to Ms. Karpuk. She is in the midst of a project to barcode the entire Rare Book Collection and to implement a new shelving system designed to save space while preserving the subject arrangement of the existing collection. In the process, she has also enhanced or corrected hundreds of catalog records. Ms. Karpuk helped migrate Mr. Widener’s local tags identifying and describing illustrations found in the collection so that they remain discoverable in MORRIS and the new Quicksearch interface. She revised catalog records for manuscripts to make them findable in Quicksearch, and to add keyword access and geographical access in both interfaces. She also added an access point to the 693 titles that made up the collection of early Italian statutes that the library acquired from an Italian lawyer’s library in 1946.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES
Anna Franz, 2015 Rare Book Fellow, gave a talk entitled *When the Old Doesn’t Work and the New Isn’t Yet: Canon Law in Agobard of Lyon’s Failed Anti-Jewish Campaign* at the Conference and Grand Opening, Stephan Kuttner Institute of Medieval Canon Law, May 21 at YLS.
Mike Widener, Rare Book Librarian, taught his Rare Book School course *Law Books: History and Connoisseurship*. The course received a glowing review: Susan Gualtier, Teresa Miguel-Stearns, Sarah Ryan, & Fang Wang, *More Than a Bunch of Old Books: Perspectives from Rare Book School*, AALL Spectrum, Mar. 2015, 27-29. He gave a public talk on the exhibition, *Murder and Women in 19th-Century America: Trial Accounts in the Yale Law Library*.
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Butler, William E., ed. **SELECTED WORKS OF D.I. KACHENOVSKII: UKRAINIAN INTERNATIONAL LAWYER**, (Talbot, 2014).
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Hayton, Bill. **THE SOUTH CHINA SEA: THE STRUGGLE FOR POWER IN ASIA** (Yale University Press, 2014).
Lehmann, Devra. **SPINOZA: THE OUTCAST THINKER** (Nameelos, 2014).
Martinez, Cristina S. *Blackstone as Draughtsman: Picturing the Law* in Wilfred Prest, ed. **RE-INTERPRETING BLACKSTONE’S COMMENTARIES: A SEMINAL TEXT IN NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL CONTEXTS** (Hart Publishing, 2014).
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LIBRARY PUBLICATIONS: LEADERSHIP IN PRINT AND DIGITAL FORMATS



Ann Laeuchli’s book, *A Bibliographical Catalog of William Blackstone*. Winner of the Joseph L. Andrews Legal Literature Award from the American Association of Law Librarians (AALL)

The Lillian Goldman Law Library continues to maintain a program of library publications, both print and digital, unmatched by any other law library. This year, a particular publication stands out: Ann Jordan Laeuchli’s landmark book, *A Bibliographical Catalog of William Blackstone*. The Blackstone bibliography is a product of our library in several different ways. First and foremost, the author was formerly Associate Librarian at our library. Ms. Laeuchli held that position from 1984 to 1993 under the eminent library director and legal bibliographer, Morris L. Cohen, who mentored her on the Blackstone project for almost all of the thirty years she worked on it. The publication of the book in 2014 was bittersweet, as Ms. Laeuchli lived to see the first copies of it in print, but died only four days later. A second way in which *A Bibliographical Catalog of William Blackstone* was a product of the law library was that it was founded on our William Blackstone Collection, the most complete in the world. Ms. Laeuchli’s book was an expansion of *The William Blackstone Collection in the Yale Law Library: A Bibliographical Catalogue* (1938) by Catherine Spice Eller, a cataloger at our library.

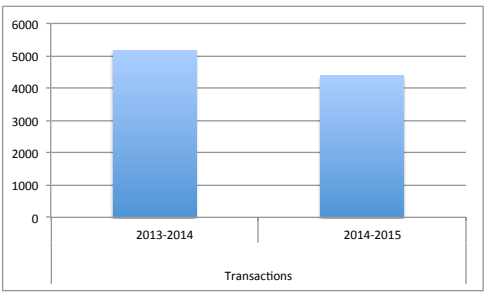
However, describing Ms. Laeuchli’s book as an “expansion” does not do it justice. There are 672 entries in “Laeuchli” as opposed to 266 in “Eller,” several new categories of publications are included, and the 2014 volume made a dramatic improvement by conforming to the very highest standards of modern bibliographic scholarship. It should also be noted that the bibliography’s imprint reads “Published for Yale Law Library by William S. Hein & Co., Inc.,” and that Ms. Laeuchli gave the copyright to the library. When the original publisher proved to be unsuitable, it was the library that convinced the Hein company to take on the project. The Blackstone bibliography has been acclaimed as a masterwork. Professor Michael Suarez, the director of the Rare Book School at the University of Virginia, has written that this work is “a monumental contribution, not only to legal bibliography, but to the field of descriptive bibliography more generally. The achievement that this work represents is very rare indeed; in my view, it should be accounted as one of the two most distinguished works in contemporary legal bibliography, ranking with

Morris Cohen’s *Bibliography of Early American Law*.” The American Association of Law Libraries has awarded its prestigious Joseph L. Andrews Legal Literature Award posthumously to Ms. Laeuchli. Our principal printed book series is the *Yale Law Library Series in Legal History and Reference*, published by Yale University Press. No new titles appeared this year, but a 2013 series publication, *Against the Profit Motive: The Salary Revolution in American Government, 1780-1940*, by Yale Law School professor, Nicholas Parrillo, received the 2014 Annual Scholarship Award from the American Bar Association’s Section on Administrative Law. We anticipate more books appearing in the near future. Yale University Press’s law editor recently stated that the *Yale Law Library Series* is one of the “crown jewels” among their hundreds of book series. Another print publication of ours is the *Yale Law School Oral History Series* in print and online. This series encompasses interviews of retired Law School professors by former Associate Librarian for Administration, Bonnie Collier, an experienced oral historian. Five new booklets are currently in preparation. In addition, we produced our first substantial exhibition catalogue, accompanying the travelling exhibit titled, *250 Years of Blackstone’s Commentaries*, curated by Rare Book Librarian Michael Widener and Professor Wilfrid Prest of the University of Adelaide in Australia. We are very grateful for the generosity of William S. Hein & Co. in printing this catalogue. One of our digital publications is the *Yale Law School Legal Scholarship Repository*. This is an open-access repository of Yale Law School’s faculty, student, and other publications, intended to present the intellectual output of the school and preserve its institutional history. We were the pioneers at Yale University in developing an institutional repository, and we remain by far, the largest repository at Yale, and one of the largest and most-downloaded law school repositories in the country. The Access Services section of this Annual Report describes current developments in more detail.

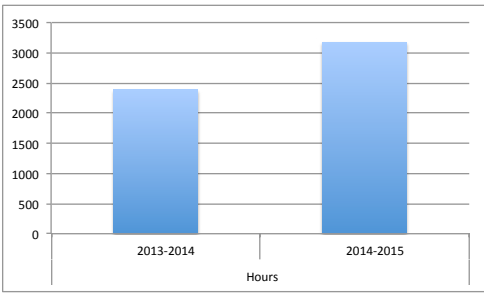
REFERENCE AND INSTRUCTION: MORE TIME WITH OUR PATRONS



Associate Librarian John B. Nann examining a rare English law book.



While the number of reference transactions decreased slightly from last year...



...the time spent working with patrons increased.

REFERENCE SERVICES

The members of the Reference and Instructional Services Department, Margaret Chisholm, Ryan Harrington, Jordan A. Jefferson, Julie Graves Krishnaswami, Evelyn Ma, John B. Nann, Sarah Ryan, and Mike VanderHeijden, provide research assistance and consultations to the Yale Law School and Yale University communities. Jason Eiseman, Cate Kellett, Scott Matheson, and Fred Shapiro also answer reference inquiries at the Reference Desk. The team receives tremendous support from Drew Adan, Faculty Services Assistant, and Barbara Olszowa, Library Services Assistant with a specialty in foreign and international law.

There are two main categories of research interactions that we have with our patrons. One type is centered on more specific questions, while the other type is a consultation to help the researcher develop a research plan and consider resources. The fact that we distinguish

between questions and consultations does not imply that the questions are in any way simpler than the consultations. Indeed, the average question takes almost 40 minutes to answer. Questions can be answered by a variety of means, while most consultations are face-to-face, one-on-one meetings.

We have seen a tremendous growth in our patrons' desire for research consultations and the amount of time that we devote to the consultations over the past several years. In 2013-2014, 11% of our reference interactions were consultations, which constituted 25% of our time spent on reference. In 2014-2015, 25% of our reference interactions were consultations, which constituted over 50% of our time spent on reference. The result is that while we saw a small decline in the total number of reference interactions from 2013-2014 to 2014-2015, we saw a 25% increase in the overall number of hours spent on all research interactions.

We receive requests for assistance by a variety of means: patrons can walk up to the Reference Desk, staffed for 57 hours over 7 days during the academic year; by email to an address monitored by the reference librarian on duty; to our personal email addresses; by phone; and by an appointment request form. This year, 43% of our patron interactions came from walk-ups. Emails, both personal and the group's email account, also accounted for 43% of the interactions. Interestingly, queries posted to an individual librarian's email address far outstripped email to the group address by 5 to 1.

Seventy-five percent of our patron interactions are with members of the law school community. Fifty percent of all transactions are with law students, and 20% are with law faculty. Another 10% of all transactions are with other members of the university community. The remaining interactions are with law school and university alumni, other academics, and some pro se patrons.

INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES RECORD NUMBERS

"I'm at a firm this summer, doing lots of legal research, and I use the techniques we learned in class every day. I don't know what I'd be doing if I hadn't taken your class – so thank you!"

—Anonymous student in Advanced Legal Research

This past year, our formal courses enrolled a record number of students, and our weekly, topic-specific workshops attracted many more. We also provided guest lectures in a variety of doctrinal courses and clinics. With Ms. Krishnaswami leading the way, the unit expanded instructional offerings of all types.

FOR-CREDIT COURSES

In the 2014-15 academic year, over 120 Yale Law Students enrolled in for-credit legal research courses.

In the spring semester Advanced Legal Research course, led by Ms. Krishnaswami and Mr. Nann, seventy-five students enrolled: a record. Also in the spring semester, we continued to offer our specialized research courses. Mr. Nann taught Research Methods in American Legal History, with guest lectures from Mr. Shapiro and Mike Widener. Ms. Jefferson taught Research Methods in American Law; this course had its largest enrollment in recent years. Mr. VanderHeijden and Mr. Eiseman guest lectured in the class. Ms. Chisholm again offered Specialized Legal Research in Corporate Law. She invited attorneys practicing corporate law to discuss their own research strategies and preferred sources.

This past fall, for the second time, Ms. Krishnaswami and Noah Messing team-taught Written Advocacy and Legal Research. Twenty-three students, including LLMs and JSDs, enrolled in the course.

WORKSHOPS, SMALL GROUPS, AND GUEST LECTURES

Over one hundred students attended a research workshop or research presentation in the academic year 2014-15. Throughout the year, we began offering research workshops at a set

time each week. All Reference Librarians taught at least one workshop, and librarians from other departments in the law library and other Yale libraries participated. In the Fall Semester, the workshops were designed to supplement the First Year Students Small Group research instruction. The topics included:

- Law Library tour
- Navigating the Library Catalogs and Website
- What is Boolean Searching?
- Introduction to Lexis and Westlaw
- Local Land Use Law
- Researching Case Law
- Researching Statutory Law
- Researching Legislative History
- Preemption Checking
- Tracking Your Research

In the spring semester – responding to student requests – the workshops addressed more discrete research tasks. Those workshops included:

- Lexis Advance
- Researching with Treatises, the New York Times, and the Wall Street Journal
- Legal Research Using Bloomberg
- Historical Research into Words and Phrases Using Dictionaries and Databases
- Sources for Statistics and Data
- Foreign and International Law: Treaty and Other International Agreements Research
- Advanced Google Searching
- Competitive Intelligence Research in Practice (presented by Erin Wachowicz, Librarian at the Yale School of Management)

In the fall semester, the Reference Librarians provided research instruction to the First Year Students in Small Groups. For the first time, Cate Kellett of Technical Services joined the reference librarians in teaching Small Groups.

Doctrinal faculty regularly invite Reference Librarians to guest lecture in their courses and clinics. Some presentations in doctrinal classes included:

Ms. Ryan presented on Stata and Regression and on Human Subjects Research

Mr. Harrington presented on International Law Research

Ms. Krishnaswami presented on Statutory and Regulatory Research and she provided several sessions on brief research

Ms. Jefferson, Ms. Ma, and Mr. Harrington presented research sessions for clinics, and Ms. Krishnaswami and Mr. Harrington provided two sessions on preemption checking for Yale Law Journal editors.

THE LEGAL RESEARCH PEDAGOGY AT YALE LAW SCHOOL

We believe our pedagogical approach and students' increasing awareness of the importance of strong legal research skills for success during and after law school are driving the increase in enrollment in our courses and workshops.

For example, in Advanced Legal Research, we employ a problem-based approach. In each class session, students worked in small groups to address the types of problems they would be charged with researching in practice. Students presented their research strategies before the entire class, and the various approaches were discussed as a class.

In addition to teaching the foundational legal research sources, tools, and techniques, all of our research courses and workshops emphasize the relationship of legal authorities to the tools, so as to provide students with a framework for evaluating the appropriate use of these sources, tools, and techniques.

What we do in the classroom is indeed working well, and students are responding positively. They understand – or learn through their peers – that research skills are fundamentally important for law school and prospective employment. For example, we are regularly asked to serve as references for clerkship, government, firm, and public interest positions. Students have remarked:

I just wanted to let you know that I am wrapping up the first week of my internship at the USAO in San Francisco, and the research skills we learned during class are really saving me! The assignments basically feel like the research mini-projects we worked through together in class.



Sarah Ryan, Empirical Research Librarian, teaching.

[Advanced Legal Research] class has SAVED MY LIFE at the ACLU. It’s amazing—using key cites and doing state legislative history research like a champ :) I have thought maybe 100 times a day how lost I would be if I hadn’t taken this.

I realized within a day of being at my job this summer (US Attorney’s Office) just how helpful everything we learned in ALR was. My co-intern took a legal research class at her school, but we seemed to have covered so much more and I’m extremely grateful, as it’s made my work this summer much easier and better.

In the two weeks I’ve been at my job, I’ve had to do research that touches on just about every topic we covered (legislative history, regulations, Shepardizing, and all manner of case law research). I would have been completely lost without the skills I got from ALR.

I can’t imagine how I would have done my first few assignments without the skills we covered in ALR.

FACULTY SERVICES

Mr. VanderHeijden, assisted by Mr. Adan, handles document delivery and coordinates reference assistance, library orientations, and trainings for faculty, faculty assistants, and visiting faculty. They respond to over 6,000 requests for materials for the use of the faculty in their research and instruction. The Faculty Services team also took on responsibility for coordinating with archives and other outside organizations that we must sometimes engage with to obtain materials for the faculty.

After almost four years as the law library’s Faculty Services Assistant, Sarah Kraus was hired as the law library’s Senior Administrative Assistant. Mr. Adan, the new Faculty Services Assistant, came to the Library after working at the Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library. Mr. Adan’s background has proven to be a great asset as he combs Special Collections and coordinates research off-site on behalf of faculty.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Jordan A. Jefferson, Coordinating Librarian for Reference Services, presented at the *Reference, Instruction, and Outreach Management Forum* in August 2014 and at the American Association for Paralegal Educator’s Annual Conference in November 2014. She was founding chair of the newly-formed Professional Engagement, Growth, and Advancement Special Interest Section of AALL, co-chair of the Yale University Library’s Work-Life Committee, and chair of the law library’s Exhibits and Signs Committee.

Julie Graves Krishnaswami, Head of Instructional Services, presented *Zen & the Art of Googling*, at the Connecticut Bar Association Annual Meeting in June 2015. She was an AALL Leadership Academy fellow in 2014-2015, and she is currently the treasurer of the Southern New England Law Librarians Association and a member of the law library’s Executive Committee.

John B. Nann, Associate Librarian for Reference and Instructional Services, presented *Developments in EUR-LEX* at the FCIL European Law Interest Group Meeting, 2014 and moderated the webinar entitled *Surveys: When to Use Them and Why* in February 2015. He is a member of AALL’s Continuing Professional Education Committee and the Bluebook Committee of the Academic Law Library Special Interest Section of AALL.

Sarah Ryan, Empirical Research Librarian, presented *An Empiricist’s Guide to Empirical Legal Research Support* at Cornell Law School, Ithaca, NY in May 2015; the plenary address, *Enhancing the Institutional Information Cycle: Better Library Administration Through Better Study Design, Data Gathering, Analysis, and Presentation* at the New England Law Library Consortium conference; *Quantifying Your Value: Using Data to Promote Your Worth in Your Organization and Beyond* in Boston, MA, with J. Larson; and *For Your Research and Theirs: What You Need to Know About Working With Human Subjects* in New Haven, CT in August 2014.

Michael VanderHeijden, Head of Faculty Services, is a member of AALL, ALL-SIS, and RIPS-SIS. He is also an active member of LLNE and its Service Committee, which provides outreach to public librarians who need information about legal research. Mr. VanderHeijden attended the Fall 2014 and Spring 2015 LLNE meetings. Within the law library, he chairs the Copyright Committee, is a member of the Space Planning Committee, and served as Workplace Survey Representative.

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DIGITIZING LITCHFIELD LAW SCHOOL NOTEBOOKS: UNLOCKING OUR HERITAGE



Mike Widener and Jason Eiseman unpack Litchfield student notebooks.

In 2014–2015, the Lillian Goldman Law Library digitized 143 handwritten student notebooks from the Litchfield Law School.

All 77 notebooks held in the Rare Book collection of the law library and 66 notebooks held at the Litchfield Historical Society, were digitized for the project. These digitized notebooks represent over half of the 270 student notebooks known to exist, and provide an important contribution to scholars of early American legal education and legal history.

The project was initiated by Professor John Langbein, Sterling Professor Emeritus of Law and Legal History and Professorial Lecturer in Law at Yale Law School. Prof. Langbein worked with the law library to secure a grant from the William Nelson Cromwell foundation to fund the digitization project.

This project is significant because of the content of the digitization and the manner in which it was carried out. This is the first large scale digitization project completed by staff

at the law library without partnering with a major database publisher. It is also an example of radical collaboration. This project involved coordination between two institutions, a dozen individuals including librarians, staff, faculty, researchers, and vendors.

Jason Eiseman, Head of Technology Services for the law library, served as project sponsor, and Caitlyn Lam, Librarian for Digital Resources, managed the project. Ms. Lam worked closely with Mr. Eiseman, Prof. Langbein, and the digitization vendor, to ensure a successful project. Ms. Lam worked with Mike Widener, Rare Books Librarian at the law library, and Linda Hocking, Curator of Library and Archives at the Litchfield Historical Society, to ship, manage, and track the notebooks being digitized. In addition, Ms. Lam managed student workers and staff

who conducted quality control on over 58,000 individual images for proper digitization. Other librarians and staff members from both institutions also contributed to the success of the project through budgeting, shipping logistics, and more. The Yale Law School IT department also supported the project by helping coordinate the digital storage necessary for the digitized images. The entire digitized collection requires over 5 terabytes of disc space.

The law library has incorporated the digitized notebooks into our existing Litchfield Law School Sources portal (<http://documents.law.yale.edu/litchfield-law-school-sources>). This website is a portal for research, description, and comparison of those volumes which have been digitally scanned. This portal provides links to all 176 Litchfield Law School student notebooks which are known to be digitized (<http://documents.law.yale.edu/litchfield-notebooks/digitized>) including those from this project and Harvard.

To ensure that these notebooks are made widely available to research scholars all over the world, we have made them available in a number of different formats and locations. Our primary repository for making these scans available is at the *Internet Archive* (<http://archive.org>). The *Internet Archive* is an online repository “offering permanent access for researchers, historians, scholars, people with disabilities, and the general public to historical collections that exist in digital format.” We also created library collections to house the digitized material from the law library (<https://goo.gl/rEoOT4>) and the Litchfield Historical Society (<https://goo.gl/HtlKUS>).

All of the collected notebooks digitized for this project can be found on the *Internet Archive* by running a search for the subject “Lecture notes – Connecticut – Litchfield” (<https://goo.gl/SRcNH3>).

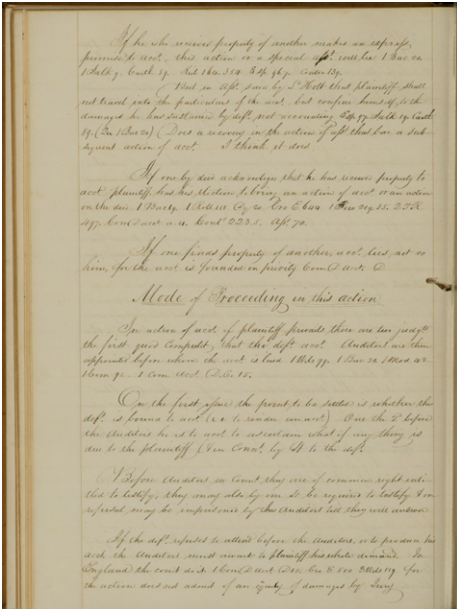
Individual notebooks on the *Internet Archive* may be browsed online using their page-turning software on any computer or mobile device. Notebooks may also be downloaded in PDF format or in the original high-resolution TIFF format. Because libraries all over the world are digitizing material and making them available on the *Internet Archive*, scholars can use this tool to find related material that



A selection of Litchfield Law School notebooks.

has been digitized. For example, researchers looking for texts relating to the Litchfield Law School or its students will find our student notebooks as well as many texts that have been made available by other libraries, including the Library of Congress. Most importantly, the *Internet Archive* will provide an additional outlet for ensuring that these treasures are preserved online and available for researchers for generations to come.

We have also made PDF downloads available from the law library’s *Digital Commons* scholarship repository (<http://digitalcommons.law.yale.edu/lsls/>). This repository provides another avenue for sharing these notebooks. The repository will store PDF copies of the notebooks with standardized metadata. Because of the *Digital Commons* network among libraries globally, these materials will be easily searchable via Google and can be shared among scholars everywhere.



A page from the note book of Potter, Asa, 1802-1872. Lectures on law delivered by the Hon. James Gould at his law school in Litchfield Connecticut. Volume 2.

The library is currently working with the central Yale University Library to deposit these notebooks in their preservation repository. This repository will ensure that the digitized files are curated with the most up-to-date digital preservation standards, treated with the same care as all of Yale’s historical assets, and receive the attention and support the University’s resources can offer.

This project has been a great endeavor for our library. We have had the opportunity to unlock these important antiquarian primary sources for the world’s scholars. It has also given us the opportunity to explore new areas of technology and collection preservation, to address staffing and infrastructure challenges posed by these new opportunities, and it has opened the door for further digitization and collaboration opportunities.

ABOUT THE LITCHFIELD LAW SCHOOL

During the school’s years of operation from 1774 to 1833, nearly 1,000 young men traveled to Litchfield, Connecticut to study with Tapping Reeve, the founder, and James Gould, his assistant and sole proprietor after Reeve’s death. More than 270 notebooks have survived, representing the efforts of 90 students as they recorded law lectures delivered by their teachers, and copied charts and essays on particular points of law. At a time when the usual method of legal training in this country was an apprenticeship with a solo practitioner, these notebooks are evidence of the beginning of professional legal education, based on a comprehensive curriculum that relied heavily on the content and structure of William Blackstone’s *Commentaries on the Laws of England*. These manuscript notes are housed in 36 academic law libraries, historical societies, and state repositories concentrated in New England, and also in New Jersey, Maryland, North Carolina, Georgia, Louisiana, Iowa, Ohio and Michigan. Gathering, describing, and making these notebooks available online enables global accessibility and research into early American legal education and legal history.



Rendering of Litchfield Law School in a YLS stained glass window.

READING ROOM EXHIBITS: SPARKING INTEREST IN LAW LIBRARY COLLECTIONS AND STUDENT WRITING

The Lillian Goldman Law Library’s program of Reading Room exhibits offered three different exhibitions curated by the newly created Exhibits and Signs Committee, headed by Jordan Jefferson, Coordinating Librarian for Reference Services.



The Born That Way exhibit case in the Reading Room, Fall/Winter 2014-2015.

One of the three displays employed library materials, two timelines, scanned photographs, a reading list, and two evening events, to communicate with viewers. Another used library materials and an invitation to participate in a writing competition, to convey its message. The third exhibit used one extensive timeline, facsimiles of rare materials, reproductions of quotations and actual documents, and an open house to impart its information.

PACIFISM AND THE AMERICAN CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT

Reference Librarian Margaret Chisholm prepared a Summer/Mid-Fall exhibit entitled *Pacifism and the American Civil Rights Movement: Pacifists Engage with the Internment of Japanese Americans, 1942-1945 and 1982-1985*. This exhibit follows a series of five previous

exhibitions from 2010-2014, that focused upon 50 year anniversaries of the American Civil Rights Movement, and two previous displays dedicated to the central role of American and international pacifists in the formulation of the modern Movement’s non-violent strategy and tactics.

The exhibit was accompanied by two evening events and one morning event. The first event showed the film entitled, *Of Civil Wrongs and Rights: the Fred Korematsu Story*, and included a Q and A session with Ms. Chisholm. Mr. Korematsu was one of three Japanese Americans who resisted the Internment and who took their cases to the United States Supreme Court, but lost.

Professor Emeritus Peter Irons (University of California at San Diego), the nation’s expert on the Japanese American Internment cases of

the 1940s and the 1980s, along with Professor Emeritus Drew S. Days III (Yale Law School), spoke at the second evening event. Prof. Days, former Solicitor General of the United States, presented with analysis and update the 1945 Yale Law Journal article, *The Japanese American Cases –A Disaster*, by former YLS Professor Eugene Rostow. Prof. Irons discussed the substance of the 1940s Japanese American cases and the 1980s *coram nobis* cases. Professor Steven Wizner emailed to say that the event was “one of the most important of the year.” In another email, one of the co-sponsoring student organizations also deemed it one of the best events of the year.

Ms. Chisholm collaborated with Production Expeditor Michael Ferguson (Yale Printing and Publishing), on the design of exhibition posters and component pieces of the exhibit case. She also worked with Alison Burke and Cha Chi Hung of the Access Services Department to create a reading list of related materials on reserve.

YALE LAW SCHOOL STUDENT AUTHORSHIP

Fred Shapiro, Julian Aiken, and Cesar Zapata of the Access Services Department, prepared the Reading Room’s Autumn/Winter exhibit entitled, *Born That Way: An Exhibition of Outstanding Yale Law School Student Authorship*. The exhibit’s poster cites Ernest Hemingway in saying that “It’s none of their business that you have to learn to write. Let them think that you were born that way.” Carefully selected books, propped inside the exhibit case, showcased works authored by present and past Yale Law School students.

Featured titles covered a range of topics reflecting the great “range of aspiration” that Yale law students bring to professional study of the law; in this regard, the display’s biggest label quotes prize-winning American fiction writer, Adam Haslett, (LAW ’03). Diverse subjects addressed by the exhibited tomes included: women in the workplace; high school hazing; drugs and depression; a serial killer stalking nineteenth century Boston; the future of Africa; the American Dream; crime noir; coming of age in prison; genocide; the last days of Edgar Allen Poe; Venezuela; and dogs-talking-in-the-voices-of-Cotton-Mather-and-Malcolm X.



A richly colored timeline from the Magna Carta exhibit chronicles events from the year 979 A.D. through 2000 A.D.

This exhibit not only celebrated the published work of past and present Yale Law students, but also humbly carried forward its expressed ambition to “encourage others within our community to take to their typewriters, and to recognize that they too were born that way.” Accompanying the exhibit was an announcement of guidelines for participation in the Lillian Goldman Law Library’s inaugural short story competition. Twenty-seven excellent entries yielded two prize-winning entries. Kate Munyan (LAW ’17) and Carter Greenbaum (LAW ’16) shared the award. A panel of five judges assessed the entries including writer and educator Matthew Pearl (LAW ’10), Professors Kate Stith and Jed Rubenfeld, and Librarians Teresa Miguel-Stearns and Julian Aiken.

MAGNA CARTA AT 800 YEARS

An inter-departmental team of law library colleagues staged a Reading Room exhibit in celebration of the 800th Anniversary of Magna Carta. They were Ms. Miguel-Stearns, Mr. Aiken, Ms. Jefferson and Senior Administrative Assistant Sarah Kraus.

The exhibit case itself, at the center of the Reading Room entrance area, served as focus for the display. The bottom-surface of the case showed a custom-fitted mustard-colored poster, onto which were printed excerpted quotations from, and allusions to, the Great Charter, from such personages as Winston Churchill, Franklin Roosevelt, the Apollo 18 and 19 astronauts, and hip hop mogul Jay Z. Also cited on the case’s bottom surface were such documents as the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and legal opinions of the United States Supreme Court, and the pronouncements of fictitious characters, such

as television’s Lisa Simpson. Photographs of the cited characters and personages and excerpts from the documents made the solid point that, during its 800 year history, Magna Carta has not only evolved (and thereby remained relevant in the Western World), but it has also expanded its influence across the world, and indeed into outer space.

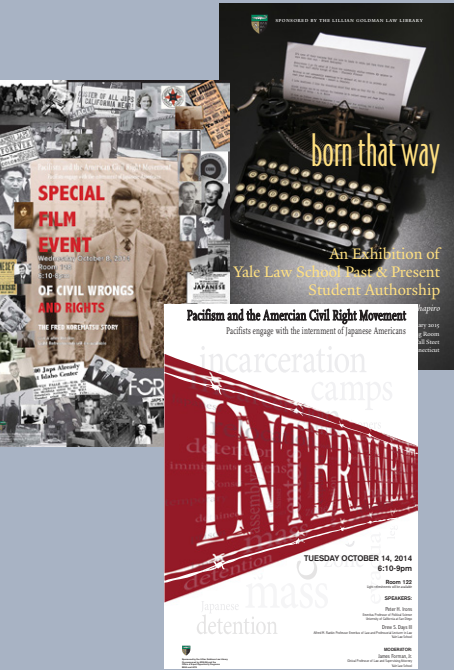
A richly colored and illustrated timeline more than eight feet long, tracked more than thirty dates pertinent to English history, from 979 A.D (the coronation year for Ethelred) through 2000 A.D. (the year for adoption of the British Human Rights Act). Along the way, the timeline marked the year 1215, when King John granted the Magna Carta. The timeline noted important dates, such as the Norman Conquest in 1066, Parliament’s passage of the Habeas Corpus Act in 1679, America’s passage of the Declaration of Independence in 1776 and adoption of a Bill of Rights in 1789, and the United Nations’ adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights in 1946.

Along the top surface of a bookshelf to the right side of the exhibit case, mounted images and labels displayed representations of the Magna Carta in the production of handwritten manuscripts, legal publication, and architectural depictions from the law library rare book and current collection. The exhibit also included portraits of actors like Sir Edward Coke, who resurrected and reinterpreted Magna Carta. In short, this exhibit makes the powerful argument that over the course of 800 years, Magna Carta has both persisted and evolved to provide a living legacy.

The Law Library hosted an open house on Magna Carta’s 800th anniversary, June 15, featuring this exhibit and selections in the Rare Book Room.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Margaret Chisholm, Reference Librarian, presented *The U.S. Government Gathers Information and Tamper with Privacy in an Analog Era: The Japanese-American Cases (1942-1945)* in the seminar, *The Future of Privacy in the Digital Era*.



Top: Poster from the Born That Way exhibit, which celebrated the published writings of present and past Yale Law students.

Middle: Exhibit movie poster with images of Fred Korematsu, individual pacifists, and symbols of pacifist organizations, during the World War II Internment of Japanese-Americans.

Bottom: Professor Peter Irons and Professor Drew S. Days III discussed the Internment and the coram nobis cases, while Professor James S. Forman, Jr. moderated.

AWARDS



The Lillian Goldman Law Library Public Interest Trivia Team defeated the YLS Student Team for the fifth consecutive year to maintain the trophy, on display at the Reference Desk. Pictured L-R: Jason Eiseman, Ryan Harrington, Shana Jackson, Scott Matheson, Fred Shapiro.

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Blair Kauffman receives the Hicks Award

AWARDS

Frederick Charles Hicks Award for Outstanding Contributions to Academic Law Librarianship, presented by the Academic Law Libraries Special Interest Section (ALL-SIS) of the American Association of Law Libraries (AALL)
Blair Kauffman (2015)

AALL / LexisNexis Call for Papers, Understanding the ‘Other’ Internatioonal Agreements
Ryan Harrington (2015)

AALL Joseph Andrews Legal Literature Award, A Bibliographical Catalog of William Blackstone
Ann Laeuchli (2015)

Distinguished Achievement in Access Services award from the Access Services Conference
Julian Aiken (2014)

Lillian Goldman Law Library Public Interest Trivia Team defeated YLS Student Team (2015)

SERVICE AWARDS

Liliane McClenning
Administration
35 years

Rosemary Williams
Technical Services
35 years

Alison Burke
Collections and Access
10 years

Evelyn Ma
Reference Librarian for Foreign and International Law
10 years

Susan Karpuk
Cataloger
10 years

STRATEGIC PLAN 2014–2018



Law library staff gather in the courtyard in 2014.

VISION

To be the best academic law library in the world

MISSION

The Lillian Goldman Law Library supports the rich educational and scholarly programs of Yale Law School and Yale University. We contribute to global legal research, scholarship, and education. Our outstanding collections and exemplary services make the library a centerpiece of the Yale Law School experience.

WE ARE

agile
creative
responsive
service focused
data-driven
respectful
transparent
accountable
green

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

- I. Provide highly valued, relevant services to our faculty and students
 - a. Prioritize library services based on value to the community
 - b. Offer classes, workshops, trainings, and tools to meet patron needs

- c. Effectively communicate, advertise, and market our services and instructional offerings

- d. Assess and enhance the effectiveness of services and instruction
- e. Evaluate and eliminate inefficient or undervalued services

- II. Collect quality resources that meet the needs of current faculty and students, as well as future generations of scholars

- a. Acquire materials that enrich our:
 - i. comprehensive collection of U.S. scholarly law-related monographs
 - ii. preeminent collection of rare and historical materials
 - iii. superb collection of international law
 - iv. expanding collection of foreign and comparative legal resources
- b. Maintain a dynamic collection development philosophy informed by faculty and student interest and staff expertise
- c. Consider evolving trends in scholarly communication and technology when making acquisition decisions
- d. Collaborate with other libraries to maximize access to resources

- III. Be thoughtful stewards of our superb collections and resources
 - a. Conserve exceptional items in need of repair
 - b. Preserve our resources for future generations of scholars
 - c. Protect our resources by ensuring appropriate security and facilities
 - d. Migrate our resources to new formats to ensure they remain accessible
 - e. Optimize local and remote storage space

- IV. Make our world-class resources easily discoverable and accessible

- a. Increase findability of local, consortial, and worldwide resources to our researchers
- b. Facilitate simple remote access to our print and digital collections
- c. Implement new discovery tools while maintaining our scholarly catalogue
- d. Effectively communicate, advertise, and market available resources

- V. Make the library a delightful place to visit and be

- a. Make every patron feel welcome
- b. Tailor physical space to the evolving needs of patrons and staff
- c. Maintain an inviting and useful online presence
- d. Create policies that balance the needs of our community members

- VI. Empower staff to thrive and become leaders in our field

- a. Foster a culture of innovation, collaboration, and creativity
- b. Recruit and retain a diverse staff to enrich our library and profession
- c. Provide suitable resources and support for professional engagement and advancement
- d. Facilitate opportunities for staff to broaden experience by working in other units, departments, and libraries
- e. Encourage a healthy work-life balance
- f. Employ staff expertise to train the next generation of law librarians

Courtesy in this State are by the Charter of Char. II held as
Gavelkind land. The custom as to Gavelkind land was
that the husband should be tenant by the courtesy of the
wife's land so holden whether he had issue by her or not.
But as this question has never been made it grows more
and more difficult and attended with less prospects of
success. A case once occurred in the Eastern part of
this State says Judge Keever while we were under the
British Government where there was a large estate
left intestate & a number of sons who as our court
decided must take equal shares of it. The eldest son
unwilling to have land taken away from him and thus
against the Com. Law too went over to England and en-
tered his complaint against the Court which in those
primitive days was the highest authority. Our gen.
Court after being notified in some legal manner sent
over deputies to see about the matter - for they trem-
bled lest their charter should be taken from them
which charter they made their Idol. However the dep-
uties returned with flying colours - The decision of our
Court was affirmed - and the estate descended to the
sons and daughters in equal shares. After this our
Gen. Court or Assembly went on & made laws much
to their own liking. The husband's living with an ad-
ulterer is no bar of Courtesy. - But any estate given
to the wife for her sole & separate use shall not be held

11th 298

8th 200

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10th 609