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The marginal quotes are bits of wisdom from Albert Einstein

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Welcome, new and returning students

On behalf of the staff of the Law Library, welcome to all Franklin Pierce Law Center students, especially the entering JD Class of 2002 and the MIP Class of 2000. Between vacations we were busy preparing for your arrival and look forward to assisting with your legal research needs during the 1999/2000 academic year.

Returning students will discover a new face on the Library Staff as well as several physical alterations to the Library itself. In the Technical Services Department, Jan Sabean has replaced Anastasia Stewart as Technical Services Assistant. In the On-line Training Center, the Academic Computing Room and the Computer Corral, you will find new 17 inch monitors replacing the old smaller ones. Renovations are in process on four of the group study rooms on the ground floor These rooms will be renamed to commemorate the local law firms who contributed money for past for library renovations.

Our most exciting development involves the implementation of the INNOPAC on-line catalog which we are calling MEL. MEL's database holds the contents of our card catalog as well as the cataloging records of our federal depository collection. MEL can be accessed from the Law Center Network or from the Web through the Law Center's homepage. Once you reach the Law Center's homepage, click on "Library" where you will find a link to this new on-line catalog. MEL is very user friendly and may be familiar to most of you since the INNOPAC system is used at many colleges and universities throughout the country.

Throughout the 1999/2000 academic year, the Library will be implementing other INNOPAC modules including circulation which should enable us to keep more accurate records. Also, our serials and acquisitions records will be added to the INNOPAC system to provide more detailed staff and patron access to all library operations. We ask your patience as we gradually implement these new functions in order to serve you more efficiently.

As in prior years, new students will be given tours of the Library during Orientation. First year legal research classes continue to be held in the On-line Training Center (OTC) throughout the fall semester, so please remember to check the calendar posted outside this room to avoid schedule conflicts. The computers in the OTC and the Academic Computing Room (ACR) are available for student use, unless there is a class or training session scheduled and posted study rooms are available for student use. but are limited to 2 or more persons. We recommend you sign-up in advance for these rooms as they are often in demand. Course texts and packets are on Reserve. The Reference Desk will resume operation beginning the first week of classes. If you have questions or concerns about the Library, do not hesitate to speak with me.

We're glad you're here.

Judy Gire Library Director

Newspapers added to collection



The *Chicago Daily Law Bulletin* and the *Los Angeles Daily Journal* will soon be available in the library.

Each covers legal news, essays, court calendars, legal advertisements and classified information for its large, metropolitan area. The L.A. paper has a separate section entitled "Daily Appellate Report" which provides full text of all published federal and state court cases, on a current basis. The Chicago paper has a shorter section entitled "Appellate Report" providing case summaries of Illinois opinions. Since both

of these papers are published every business day, we have decided to only keep the issues from the past two weeks and discard the earlier issues. Back files of the *Chicago Daily Law Bulletin* from 1991 are available on both WESTLAW (CHIDLB database) and LEXIS (NEWS library, CHIDLB file). The *Los Angeles Daily Journal* is not on WESTLAW or LEXIS; were are considering the possibility of purchasing a few years of back files.

You can gain access to articles and essays on specific topics in both newspapers through indexing on LEGALTRAC and on the online equivalent, Legal Resource Index, available on both WEST-LAW and LEXIS. Or, you might just want to skim the daily issues to learn about current issues in those geographic areas. These newspapers should be especially useful for anyone interested in finding a job in either of these two major metropolitan areas.

The other legal newspapers to which we subscribe are national in scope - the

National Law Journal, the New York Law Journal, and the Legal Times, which focuses on legal developments in Washington, D.C., including legislative and regulatory activities.

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Good-bye, Anastasia / welcome, Jan

In August, Technical Services Assistant Anastasia Stewart bid a fond farewell to the FPLC Library to resume her academic career. She plans to study comparative literature and philosophy at Bryn Mawr College in Pennsylvania. During her year on the staff, Anastasia reorganized much of the Library's microfiche collection and alleviated backlog in the government documents collection. We miss Anastasia's wry humor and petite gothic figure darting in and out of the stacks.

Before her departure, Anastasia trained Jan Sabean as her replacement. Jan earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts from Colby-Sawyer College and worked for

the past six years as a Library Technician II at the Concord Public Library where she assisted at the Circulation Desk and Children's Department. She also operated her own dance and performing arts business for many years. teaching and directing performing arts programs for pre-school through adultaged students. Jan is a resident of Concord and active in many artsrelated activities. As Technical Services Assistant, Jan will be responsible for sorting mail, processing and shelving new materials, filing microfiche and loose-leaf services, and preparation and receipt of bindery items. Welcome, Jan.



QUESTION: I know that the National Reporter System began publication of state and federal appellate cases in the 1880's. How do I find the text of earlier cases? Is there a digest which covers these early cases? Is there any electronic access? I need to do some historical research into early case law for a paper I am writing.

ANSWER: The early state cases are located in the official reports, which are becoming hard to locate. Librarians are tending to get rid of these volumes because of space constraints and easy access to electronic coverage of the more recent cases. However, many large law libraries still maintain a complete print Several years ago, collection. FPLC Library staff members purchased these early "pre-West" state reports in microfiche, and we sold our print copies. Now, if you have a cite to an early case, you may find it in microfiche cabinet 9, drawers C through G. (Cabinets are located near the entrance to the Online Training Center on the first floor). The fiche is arranged by state and then by court. This provides coverage for most reported appellate state cases. The only print official state reports we still have are the New Hampshire Reports, of which we have multiple copies in the reference area on the second floor and in the New Hampshire section near the statutes on the first floor. The New Hampshire Law Library, housed in the New Hampshire Supreme Court Building, has a fairly complete print collection of the early official reports.

You may also gain access to many of the more important early state cases through a series of selective case reporters which were published during the 1800's. American Decisions, American Reports, and American State Reports collectively provide full text of these early cases from colonial times to 1911. FPLC Library houses these sets in the Kenison Room. If you would like to use them, please ask a library staff member for help. Sometimes using one of these sets is easier than using the official state reports on microfiche.

Early cases from lower federal courts are published in a publication called Federal Cases. This is

a 30 volume series published by West Publishing Co. in the late 1890's and includes virtually all available lower federal case coverage from

1789 to 1880, over 20,000 cases in all. They are arranged by alphabetical sequence by case name. FPLC Library's copy is shelved on stack 3, just before the Federal Reporter series.

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Early U.S. Supreme Court coverage is included in the official U.S. Reports and the Lawyer's Edition, which both begin coverage of U.S. Supreme Court cases in 1790. West's Supreme Court Reporter does not begin coverage of cases until 1882, thus omitting coverage of the earliest cases.

Print access to all of these cases is through the West Digest system. The earliest Federal Digest covers the early lower federal and U.S. Supreme Court cases. The individual state digests include coverage of all reported state cases, including the pre-West cases. The state digests also cover any early federal cases arising in that state. The regional digests do not cover these earlier cases, but only begin coverage of state cases with the National Reporter System units in the 1880's.

Both WESTLAW and LEXIS provide coverage of early federal case law. WESTLAW groups older federal cases in ALLFEDS - OLD, 1789 to 1944; and LEXIS groups older federal cases in GENFED Library and OLDER file, 1789 to 1944. Neither vendor, however, provides access to the early pre-West state cases. The major CD ROM and Internet vendors which cover case law (LOIS, LawDesk and VersusLaw) generally do not cover these early federal or state cases, although

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currently covers N.H. Supreme Court cases back to 1874, and N.C. Supreme Court cases back to 1778, but has nothing this early for any other jurisdiction. Presumably early cases from other states may eventually be added. You can also try checking the Internet home page for a particular state. At this time, however, most state Internet sites provide only access to more recent cases.

Access to these early cases is important, since many of our more recent cases rely upon and cite law decided in these early years as the beginning point in the analysis of the current issue under consideration. It is sometimes critical to track down these seminal cases to ascertain the exact meaning of the early opinion in order to fully understand the decision and the analysis of the later case.

By Cindy Landau Assistant Law Library Director

ഗ്ര Library welcomes MEL ഉ

The Library is pleased to announce the debut of the new online catalog, MEL. Using software provided by Innovative Interfaces, Inc. you can access the library catalog via the world wide web. Search for materials from any of the network machines in the building, or search from any computer with web access.

Using MEL:

- ✓ Go to the lawschool's home page (WWW.fpic.edu)
- ✓ Click on "Online Library Catalog"
- ✓ Click on "Search the Catalog"

Once in the system, you can:

earch by title:

Type in the entire title

For example:

ethics in government

Or, only a partial title

For example:

law as politics

computer security

rearch by author:

You can search by personal name, by artist, by composer, by government body or by organization.

Type the last name first

For example:

Frankfurter Felix

Or last name and first initial

For example:

Buck D

Or just the last name

For example: Brennan

Search for a govt. body

For example:

United States Depart-

ment of Justice

Search for an organization

For example:

American Bar Associa-

tion

earch by subject:

Searching by subject heading allows you to find information about topics, personal names, and organi zations

Type the entire subject

For example:

Government Liability

Or, type just a partial subject

For example:

Liability

earch by keyword:

Searching by keyword will look for your words in various fields such as title, contents notes, corporate names, etc. You may use the Boolean operators AND, OR and NOT. You may also "truncate" words with an asterisk.

For example:

Soviet and Russian

For example:

Soviet Union or Russia

For example:

Mexico not New

For example:

(games or toys) and

(child* or infant*)

Please ask any member of the reference staff for help with searching MEL, or locating a title in the stacks. They are here to help you.

Interlibrary loan

all semester is a busy time for researchers. Class research, and reallife attorney research requirements may all contribute to the need for material outside the Law Center Library collection. At these times, interlibrary loan may be the answer. Copies of articles and/or books may be borrowed from libraries across the country. Remember, interlibrary loan is not limited to legal material. Libraries with a wide variety of specialties as well as university and public libraries, make their collections available for loan.

Allow 3 to 10 days for the material to arrive, and be as complete as possible in your request. Forms are on he door of the interlibrary loan supervisor, Jean Everson. Once completed, they may be left in the office or slipped under the door after hours.

Special section for new students

These two pages will help answer some of your library use questions. Please ask any staff member for help. Your FPLC student I.D. is very important as it is needed to check out library materials and to use study rooms.

Photocopiers

The library provides photocopy machines for general use on the first and second floors. The machines are coin and Venda Card operated.

Cards are purchased and encoded with copy units by using the Venda Card dispensers near the copiers on the first and second floors. Although the desk assistant does not provide change, there is a change machine near the copiers on the first floor.

Venda Card users have a cost advantage when making copies of library materials. One dollar will purchase twelve copies. When coins are used, the cost is \$1.00 for ten copies, or \$.10 a copy page. The machines work more efficiently with the plastic Venda Cards.

Copy Card Information

The initial card costs \$2.00. It will be encoded "0000". Copy units must be added to card for copying

How to buy a card and add copy units

Insert money in the following amounts:

- \$2.00 buys a card with no copy units
- \$5.00 buys a card that you must insert to receive \$3.00 worth of copy credits (36)
- \$10.00 buys a card that you must insert to receive \$8.00 worth of copy credits (96)
- ◆ \$20.00 buys a card that you must insert to receive \$18.00 worth of copy credits (216)

You will receive 12 copy units for each \$1.00 after the initial card purchase (\$2.00)

To add copies please remember to insert your card before the money.

Please see the Desk Assistant if you need help or have problems.

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Library hours

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Hursday	Friday	Saturday
			/ 8AM-12M	2 8AM-12M	3 8AM-12M	4 10AM-10PM
5 10AM-10PM	6 CLOSED Labor Day	7 8AM-12M	8 8AM-12M	9 8AM-12M	10 8AM-12M	// 10AM-10PM
12 10AM-10PM	13 8AM-12M	<i>14</i> 8AM-12M	15 8AM-12M	16 8AM-12M	17 8AM-12M	18 10AM-10PM
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The secret of creativity is knowing how to hide your sources.

New study tapes

Several titles in the the audio study tape collection are replaced with more current editions. These popular study aids are kept on reserve and may be checked out for overnight use.

Change in library hours

The fall semester brings a small change in library hours. Beginning the week of August 23, the library will be open until midnight from Monday through Friday, and will close at 10:00 PM on Sunday evenings. This is a change from a closing time of 10:00 PM on Fridays and midnight on Sundays.

Library survival tips for 1Ls

QUESTION: What is

way to make photo-

copies in the library?

QUESTION: Why are the hornbooks and nutshells in the stacks so old? I want a recent edition!

ANSWER: We keep two copies of the most current edition of each hornbook and nutshell title on reserve.

OUESTION: What are those popular audio tapes I see 2 and the least expensive 3 Ls taking home frequently?

ANSWER: They are study aid tapes pub-

lished by Sum and Substance, covering a wide range of basic and more advanced topics. You may check them out at the library circulation desk, and there is a complete list of titles available at the reference desk. Topics of particular interest to you this semester are Civil Procedure, Torts, and Contracts. In addition to the substantive topics, there are tapes to help you prepare for essay exams, interviews with law firms, and one on how to improve your study skills. You may check the tapes out overnight. A late fee of \$.50 an hour is assessed if the tape is late. Please note the U.S. Copyright laws prohibit copying these tapes for your own personal use.

QUESTION: I heard that exams from past years and sample answers are available in the library. Where are

ANSWER: The exams from past years are bound in red and located on in the reference area of the library. Another set of exams are shelved on the ground floor of the library, near the photocopiers. The sample answer for the past 3-4 years' exams are in binders on a shelf across from the second floor exams. Some professors choose not to place sample answers on reserve.

QUESTION: What is the least expensive way to make photocopies in the library?

ANSWER: Purchase a photocopy card from one of the two machines mounted on walls near the copiers; one near the second floor copier and

> one near the first floor copiers. You may purchase a card for \$2.00. Then you program it to make copies by inserting the card back into the machine and

adding money. The machine programs 12 copies per dollar. Copies paid for with coins are ten cents

QUESTION: Where might I get change to use the library copiers if I don't have a copy card?

ANSWER: A change machine is mounted on the wall in the copy center on the first floor. It makes change for one dollar bills only. A second change machine is located in the vending machine area near the Jury Box. That machine will change five dollar bills and one dollar bills into quarters.

QUESTION: I have to finish reading my Contracts assignment, but I left my book at home. Can you help me?

ANSWER: Yes! The library reserve collection contains a copy of required texts for the courses offered each semester.

Please see a library staff member for further help.

Library Staff

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Put your hand on a hot stove for a minute, and it seems like an hour. Sit with a pretty girl for an hour and it seems like a minute. THAT'S relativity.

book reviews

Philosophy A B Intellectual Property



Justice Brennan: The Great Conciliator

Hunter R. Clark

This book traces the various stages of William Brennan's life: his Irish catholic upbringing in New Jersey; his service as a superb labor trouble-shooter for the army during World War II; his tenure as a New Jersey state judge; his bitter confrontation with Senator Joseph McCarthy during the dark days of the Communist witch-hunts; and ultimately his career on the Supreme Court.

The author used access to the justice's personal files, granted by Brennan himself, and dozens of interviews with law clerks, associates, and intimates, to fashion a revealing portrait of Brennan and the in-chambers workings of the Supreme Court.

KF 8745 .M34 D38 1992

A Philosophy of Intellectual Property Peter Drahos

Are intellectual property rights like other property rights? More and more of the world's knowledge and information is under the control of intellectual property owners. What are the justifications for this? What are the implications for power and for justice of allowing this property form to range across social life?

In attempting to answer these questions, *A Philosophy of Intellectual Property* performs a detailed analysis of the history of intellectual property, drawing on the works of Grotius, Pufendorf, Locke, Marx, and Hegel.

K 1401 .D734 1996

The New Organizational Wealth

Karl Eric Sveiby

The author outlines the conceptual framework for changing business strategies to focus on intangible assets. Using its guidelines, managers can learn how to identify the indicators for their company's intangible assets- their employee's talents and strengths, their customer's support and interest, and their supplier's reliability and ingenuity.

HD 53 .S898 1997

The Rise of the Image, the Fall of the Word

Mitchell Stevens

For decades cultural critics deplored the corrosive effects of electronic media on the national consciousness. The average American reads less often, writes less well. And, numbed by the frenetic image-bombardment of music videos, commercials, and sound bites, we may also - it is argued-think less profoundly. But wait: Is it possible that some good might arise from the ashes of the printed word?

Most emphatically yes, argues Mitchell Stevens, who, in his book, asserts that the moving image is likely to make our thoughts more feeble but more robust. Using examples taken from the history of photography and film, as well as MTV, experimental films, and Pepsi commercials, the author considers the kinds of works that might unleash, in time, the full power of moving images.

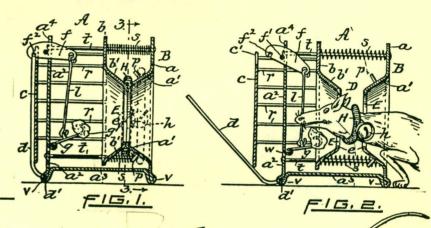




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We're not sure a path is being beaten to this inventor's door for his unusual mousetrap/devise.



Humane Rodent Exterminator

UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE

DEVICE EMPLOYED FOR EXTERMINATING RATS, MICE, AND OTHER ANIMALS

No. 888,611

Specification of Letters Patent Patented March 81, 1908 Application filed December 16, 1907. Serial No. 406,810

... Our invention relates to improved means for exterminating rats, mice, &c., and it consists essentially of a device having a normally closed laterally separable annular frame, an endless flexible resilient band or collar supported by and encircling said annular part of the frame, and springresisted tripping means operatively connected with a member of the frame, all constructed and arranged whereby an animal, say a rat, upon introducing its head through the frame opening and seizing the lure or bait attached to said tripping means automatically releases the latter, which action at the same instant also releases and separates the said frame member and frees the expanded band, which latter then immediately contracts around the animal's neck before he can retreat from the device or apparatus. The thus bedecked animal is not caught or confined in any manner whatever but is free to return to its hole and colony. The "bell-rat" as it may be termed, then in seeking its burrow or colony announces his coming by the sounds emitted by the bells, thereby frightening the other rats and causing them to flee, thus practically exterminating them in a sure and economical manner. It may be added that the spring-band or collar is not liable to become accidentally lost or slip from the rat's neck because the adjacent hairs soon become interwoven with the convolutions of the spring to more firmly hold it in place. . . .

No physical scars perhaps, but the poor rodent will be in therapy for years!