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# The Addendum

**addendum**: Something to be added, esp. to a document; a supplement.



## FROM THE DIRECTOR...

Welcome back to South Carolina Law and the Law Library. Now that the fall semester is underway, I wanted to share some recent improvements in the Law Library's services:

# **Off-campus and Wireless Access to Law Library Databases**

In late August the Law Library and the Information Technology Department launched off-campus access to the law library's database subscriptions. Faculty and students may now access the law library's electronic services collections remotely.

Click on your choice of database from the law library's Limited Access page

http://www.law.sc.edu/library/limited\_access/ When off-campus or on the wireless network, enter your last name and the last four digits of your USC ID at the prompt (in other words, the last four digits of your Social Security number). You will be taken to the database you selected.

More information on off campus access to the databases is available here:

http://law.sc.edu/library/limited\_access/help.shtml

Please call the reference desk at 803-777-5902 or email lawref@law.sc.edu if you have questions or concerns regarding your remote access.

Many thanks to Tobias Brasier and Jim Epting for their hard work in implementing off-campus access.

# **Information Technology Offices**

The construction of new offices for the Information Technology Department is nearing completion on the second floor of the Law Library. Once complete, IT personnel will have offices in the same area of the building, and the Law School network servers will be in a central location.

#### Chairs

Certain orange lounge chairs (isn't orange the color of another South Carolina university?) in the library have been recovered in garnet and black. A few remaining chairs of that other color remain -- for now.

As always, please let us know if we can be of service.

# A Bookmark to Baseball History

The one constant through all the years, Ray, has been baseball. America has rolled by like an army of steamrollers. It's been erased like a blackboard, rebuilt, and erased again. But baseball has marked the time. This field, this game, is a part of our past.<sup>1</sup>







Above are scans of the front and back of the original card found and a reproduction of the full card front from the T206 museum website.

If you wondered what your friendly library staff does during the summer, this may help one to understand....

One slow summer evening our circulation personnel were performing some of their usual nighttime duties. Michael Mounter was searching through some old volumes for items of historical significance that are sometimes tucked away in older books. Mike came across an old (and defaced) baseball card in the second edition of Clark on Corporations, which was published in 1907. We started to piece together something about the history of the card and the player on it.

Joey Plumley recognized the card as being from an early 1900s tobacco issue, but did not know the exact year or the full name of the player. The cards of that time did not have the full name, statistics, or year listed anywhere on the card. The front said Detroit and O'Leary...so we started there. Joey went to <a href="https://www.baseball-reference.com">www.baseball-reference.com</a>, a site that contains baseball statistics and records.

He found that the only O'Leary who played major league baseball during the early 1900s was Charley O'Leary who played for Detroit from 1904-1912, St. Louis (NL) in 1913, and St. Louis (AL) in 1934. Now with a full name, we could see if we could move on with the card. We easily determined from the back of the card that this was a Piedmont issue, one of the 16 different brands of tobacco or cigarettes the cards were issued with. The numbering on the back of the card makes us believe that it was issued in 1910-1911. We also have determined, as

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>. Field of Dreams. 106 min. Universal Studios, Los Angeles, 1989.

best we can, that the card is number 367 of the set. Michael was able to locate news articles from the 1920s and 1930s about O'Leary and found more background information via Proquest Historical Newspapers (a link to which can be found in the electronic resources link on our library website).

For further reference please see the following:

The T-206 museum website is dedicated to the T-206 card series history, news, and articles.

http://www.t206museum.com

The American Memory baseball card collection of the Library of Congress contains cards from 1887 to 1914.

http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/bbhtml/bbhome.html

The following library circulation staff members were instrumental in the discovery and presentation of the item in this report: Dr. Michael Mounter, Joey Plumley, and Katie Holtz.

# **CONGRATULATIONS!**

Katie Holtz, a Circulation Assistant in the Law Library, has been selected as the first recipient of the **Prue Goolsby Endowment Scholarship** for the 2008-09 academic period. This scholarship is awarded to a deserving Library School or Law School student who has worked in the Law Library for at least one year and who has expressed an interest in law librarianship.

Katie has been a full-time employee in the Law Library since 2000, and she entered the graduate program in the School of Library and Information Sciences in the fall of 2007.



Congratulations, Katie! Thanks for all your hard work and dedication to the Law Library, and best wishes in the pursuit of your library degree!

# **PASCAL Databases in Jeopardy**

The Law Library is a member of a consortium of 57 academic libraries in South Carolina, known as PASCAL. Faculty and staff at the Law School benefit from the interdisciplinary databases offered by PASCAL such as Academic Search Premier (general news database), Business Source Premier (a standard business information database), MEDLINE (medical database), and ERIC (article database on education).

As part of overall state budget cuts, the General Assembly decreased PASCAL's state funding by 90% percent this fiscal year. The combined purchasing power of the South Carolina academic libraries through PASCAL saves a significant amount of money that the libraries can use to purchase other resources. Without PASCAL, libraries will be spending more money for the same electronic information or, even worse, provide fewer resources to faculty and students.

PASCAL is working hard to educate the General Assembly about the cost savings coming from this consortium. For more information on PASCAL and its worthwhile programs, please go to their web site: <a href="http://pascalsc.org/">http://pascalsc.org/</a>

# Coleman Karesh Law Library Now has Data Loggers

"What is a data logger?" you may ask. Well, let me tell you. A data logger is a small device used to measure the temperature and relative humidity in a room. Why would we need one? Simple, we want one so that we can make sure



It's a cute little device that has a lot of power.

we are housing our collection safely. The information gathered is put into a computer program and the data is interpreted by the program to gauge the safety of the collection. The data will tell us if the collection is susceptible to corrosion, mold, or bugs. The Coleman Karesh Law Library will be using these devices to ensure the safety of our collection for generations to come.

Sara Repinski, Acquisitions Librarian

# **NEW ORIENTATION PROCESS A SUCCESS!**

This year the law librarians participated in a new expanded orientation. The orientation contained an added ½ hour joint session with the law librarians who teach Legal Research and their Legal Writing counterparts. For this teaching session, Stacy Etheredge, Terrye Conroy, Jan Baker, and David Lehmann developed a teaching module for use by all of the teaching pairs.

The new orientation also included an expanded tour of the library with instruction on laptop configuration, passwords, and other computer oriented information from Michael Miller and all of the Information Technology staff.

Finally, the orientation included an extra hour of classroom instruction the first week of orientation to give the incoming law students an understanding of the legal systems and expose them to the legal environment.

Reviews from the questionnaires filled out by students show that this experiment was highly successful, and the students appreciated the extra effort to allow them to integrate themselves into this new system, understand the process, and the library.

# **OUR "VIEW"**

One of the views we get to enjoy every day was selected to appear in AALL's *Spectrum* magazine as the "view of the month" for June. Check out this web site to view it as it appeared in the magazine.

http://www.aallnet.org/view/2008\_views.asp#



# LAW LIBRARIAN ACTIVITIES

# TERRYE CONROY:

#### **Publications:**

Schaffer v. Weast: The Supreme Court on the Burden of Persuasion in Due Process Hearings, with Mitch Yell and Antonis Katsiyannis, 29 REMEDIAL AND SPECIAL EDUCATION 108 (March/April 2008).

#### **Presentations:**

"Ten (OK, 11) Things You Need to Know About Legal Research," Southeastern Environmental Law Journal Orientation, University of South Carolina School of Law, August 19, 2008.

"Fostering and Recruiting the Next Generation of Law Librarians," Panelist, 2008 annual meeting, American Association of Law Libraries, Portland, OR, July 14, 2008.

"Strategies for Effective Internet Legal Research", Presenter, University of South Carolina, School of Library & Information Science, Panning for Gold Continuing Education Workshop, April 18, 2008.

### Other Professional Activities:

Consulting Editor, Journal of Disability Policy Studies (peer reviewed).

## **DAVID LEHMANN:**

#### **Publications:**

The Use of Technology and Web 2.0 in Law Librarianship, 28 ALL-SIS Newsletter 8 (Fall 2008).

# PAMELA MELTON

#### **Publications:**

Book chapter - with Christine Sellers, South Carolina Practice Materials: A Selective Annotated Bibliography, in State Practice Materials: annotated bibliography (Frank Houdek, ed.)(2008).

## **Presentations:**

"Direct Results: Interactive Learning Techniques," 2008 annual meeting, American Association of Law Libraries, Portland, OR, July 14, 2008.

**Terrye Conroy, Stacy Etheredge, and David Lehmann** have signed a contract with CALI (the Center for Computer Assisted Legal Instruction) to create a tutorial on South Carolina primary materials. The lesson will be available on <a href="https://www.cali.org">www.cali.org</a> with the rest of the legal research and writing tutorials.



# New Display Highlights Memory Hold the Door

In conjunction with Dean Wilcox's welcoming speech at orientation, in which he used examples from the *Memory Hold the Door* biographies to highlight the professional virtues that law students and lawyers should cultivate, the law library mounted a display that celebrates the lives and accomplishments of four *Memory Hold the Door* honorees. The attorneys honored in this first display are:

#### Alfred Cleo Mann (1889-1956)

"He developed a large practice by scrupulous integrity, thorough, conscientious work. His arguments to juries and judges were based on logic and reason. To him, the practice of law was a mission seeking the goal of truth."

#### Miss James M. Perry (1894-1964)

"Measured by her sense of responsibility for her clients, for mankind and animals in need, and measured further by a desirable pride in her profession, she was a definite success."

#### **Moultrie Dwight Douglas** (1901-1980)

"A man of the highest integrity, he disdained pretense and sham. He was a firm advocate, yet was courteous with his adversaries. He was full of good humor and stories of courts and lawyers past. ... . He regarded the practice of law as a public trust rather than as a conduit to great wealth."

#### Joseph Oscar Rogers, Jr. (1921-1999)

"Joe Rogers firmly believed in the legal profession as a noble calling, which required keen intelligence, skill and integrity. Those were the qualities which marked the passion and action of his professional and political careers."





The display is located on the first floor of the library, between the South Carolina Legal History Collection and the Attorneys Room, and will be available during the fall semester.