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"The law is the witness and external deposit of our moral life. Its history is the history of the moral development of the race."

Oliver Wendell Holmes, Path of the Law, 10 Harvard Law Review 457, 466 (1897).



Renovation from "Cramped & Crowded" Reserve Room to Comfortable Research Commons

The renovation was originally scheduled to begin in July and be completed well before the start of classes in August 2010. However, numerous construction delays created a dilemma for the staff of the Law Library – put off the renovation of the out-of-date cramped and crowded reserve room or begin a two-month construction project just days before the start of fall 2010 classes. Taking the long view, library staff decided to proceed with the renovation to create a research commons that encourages student use and collaboration. They quickly weeded and relocated reserve materials, deconstructed shelving, and designed a short-term reference relocation.

Identifying goals

The library, built in 2001, included a reserve room. The reserve room was designed to house eight walk up on-line catalogs, a now-rarely used large print collection, a copier room and an awkward reference service area. In the almost 10 years since the law library opened, the library had already converted four of the on-line catalog stations to study carrels and made minor modifications on the reference desk.

Library staff wanted to create an open inviting collaborative research space for students and faculty that would include both soft seating and carrel seating and repurpose the unused copier room. In addition, reference librarians desired a reconfigured reference desk that would be more visible to patrons and enable staff to provide more lengthy reference consultations in addition to responding to brief reference questions.

Minimizing the disruption

No library renovation comes without disruption. Acknowledging this fact, library staff sought to minimize the impact on students and faculty. Although large sheets of hanging plastic prohibited access to the library faculty offices and the space became off limits for student use, reference staff maintained the provision of reference services and all other library services.

Library staff evaluated the current use of materials that needed to be temporarily relocated for the duration of the renovation. The goal was to keep the materials within access of the reference staff to enable patron assistance without the need to leave the first floor. Even though duplicate materials were relocated to the second and third floors, often consulted materials, such as Indiana state statutes and digests were relocated to the first floor stacks and hallway shelving. Pull-out shelving was used extensively to compensate for the lack of seating in the stacks and hallway.

During the renovation, the reference librarians provided reference services from the circulation desk. Library faculty escorted students to their offices via a route through a technical services area and a long plastic encased walkway.

Anticipating the Unanticipated

Just as no library renovation comes without disruption, no renovation comes without surprises and additional delays. Ironically the most inconvenience arose from taking the "JagTag" machine offline; the machine is used by students to load credit onto their student ids for copying, printing, cafeteria and other on-campus uses. The only JagTag machine in the law school is located in the library. Students not wishing to incur the small convenience fee to use a credit card to load money onto their JagTags needed to cross a street or two to another campus building to reload their JagTag.

Although demolition and construction finished within the anticipated time frame, furniture delivery delays extended the project an additional month. Library staff endured much student ribbing on the new yoga space as reference staff commenced reference services at the reconfigured reference desk and as materials were relocated back to the outside wall shelving of the newly carpeted, but void of furniture, research space. Students returned from Thanksgiving break to a fully furnished new collaborative research space.

Completed, but with an eye on the future

The finished research commons includes shelving that houses secondary resources, Indiana specific materials and the journal collection; 34 seats and 11 study carrels. Students have multiple use options--shared tables, conversational areas or study carrels. Although cell phone used is prohibited, food and beverages are allowed in the research commons. Seating and work space is positioned to enable use

of the print materials in the area.

The reconfigured reference desk allows for both walk-up brief reference questions and longer consultations. Dual monitors make it easy for reference staff to "show" on screen the research strategy and results.

We look forward to serving you in the new research commons!





"New Titles" Browsing Section

The library has created a "New Titles" browsing section, in the newly renovated library research commons. This set of shelves is located in the northwest corner of the commons area, directly adjacent to the library administrative suite, and is marked with a "New Titles" sign. As new materials are added to the library's collection (an everyday occurrence), selected titles will be available here for your browsing enjoyment and check out. Please stop by and have a look the next time you're in the library.

Our hope is that this new section will inspire greater interest in our collection development choices. Hopefully it will also encourage faculty and students to become more aware of the wide range of legal and cross-disciplinary materials that are being added to our library every week. All of the reference librarians participate in title selection, so much consideration is given to the judicious administration of our collection development funds.

The titles displayed will have been processed and added to the library catalogue, so you are free to take them to the Circulation Desk (with your JagTag, of course) and check them out for the customary borrowing period. Keep in mind that there may be other titles in the same call number area of the collection that you may also want to see. If you know of other titles you'd like to suggest be added to the collection, please be sure to mention them to any of the librarians. We're always glad to know of additional titles you may find useful for your instruction and research. Happy Browsing!

New Titles Available for Browsing

Library Hours: Spring 2011

Regular Hours (Sunday, January 9 – Friday, May 8	
Monday - Thursday	8 am - Midnight
Friday	8 am - 11 pm
Saturday	9 am - 9 pm
Sunday	10 am - Midnight
Exceptions	S
Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday	
Monday, January 17	CLOSED
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riday, March 11	8 am – 8 pm
Saturday, March 12	9 am – 5 pm
Sunday, March 13	10 am – 6 pm
Monday, March 14 - Friday, March 18	8 am – 8 pm
Saturday, March 19	9 am – 5 pm
Sunday, March 20	Resume Regular Hours
Exam Period (Thursday, April 14 – Friday, May 6)	
Thursday, April 14 – Friday, April 15	7 am – 1 am
Saturday, April 16 (Race for the Cure)	Noon – Midnight
Sunday, April 17	9 am – 1 am
Monday, April 18 – Friday, April 22	7 am – 1 am
Saturday, April 23	8 am – Midnight
Sunday, April 24	9 am – 1 am
Monday, April 25 – Friday, April 29	7 am – 1 am
Saturday, April 30	8 am - Midnight
Sunday, May 1	9 am – 1 am
Monday, May 2 – Thursday, May 5	7 am – 1 am
Friday, May 6	7 am – 6 pm
Semester Break	
Saturday, May 7 (500 Festival Mini-Marathon)	1 pm – 5 pm
Sunday, May 8	11 am – 6 pm
Monday, May 9	Summer Hours Begin

New Library Policy on Overdue and Lost Library Materials

As of January 1, 2011, the law library will begin charging for lost library materials. Materials will be declared "lost" when the item is overdue more than 51 days.

Before an item's status is converted to "lost," library patrons will receive three overdue notices on the following schedule: after 7 days due, after 30 days due, and after 51 days due. A patron may inform the library at any time that an item is lost and make payment arrangements.

If the material has not been returned after the third notice, an invoice to the patron's account in the amount of the replacement cost of the library material plus \$25.00 in processing fees will be forwarded to the University Bursar's Office. If the library material is returned in usable condition within one year after the bill appears on the patron's account, the account may be credited the full amount minus \$17.50 of the processing fees. Materials returned after one year will not receive a refund.

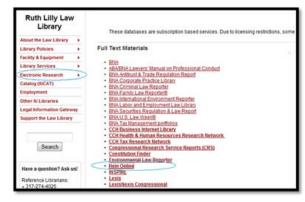
Items borrowed from other libraries are subject to the overdue and lost fees imposed by the lending library.

Spotlight on New Intellectual Property Law Collection

The law library added HeinOnline's Intellectual Property Law Collection to the library's electronic database collection. This new resource from HeinOnline allows the researcher to search across a vast array of intellectual property materials in a single database. In addition to federal regulations and statutes, the collection includes:

- Over 100 legislative histories on copyright laws from 1909 to date
- More than 270 books
- Trademark Manual of Examining Procedure
- Federal agency decisions, including Federal Communications Commission records
- Manual of Patent Examining Procedures
- Over 50 intellectual property specific legal periodicals

Access the Database. Students and faculty may access the Intellectual Property Law Collection from the library electronic database resources page. After the HeinOnline collections load, select the Intellectual Property Law Collection from the list of available resources.



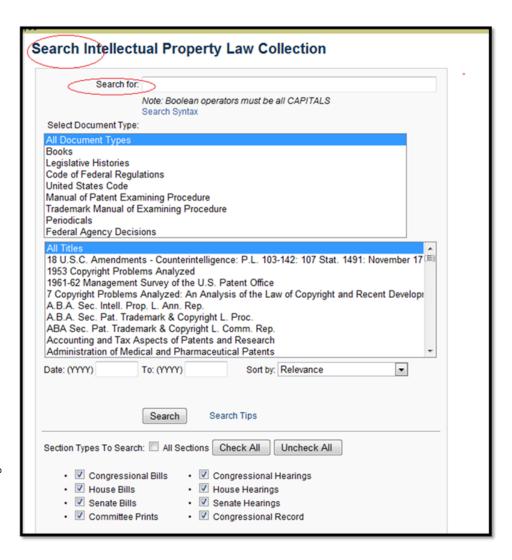


Flexible Browse and Search Options. The

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interface provides the flexibility to search or browse materials in the Intellectual Property Law Collection. Users may browse or search one type of database resource (e.g., books or legislative histories) or across the entire database.





The collection features faceted searching which enables the researcher to further refine search results by document type, date, title or section type.

Google Patent Search Widget. Google Patent, launched in 2006, made patent searching available through an arrangement with the United States Patent Office. Researchers using the Intellectual Property Law Collection can access over 7 million patents without exiting HeinOnline by using Google Patent Search.

HeinOnline's commitment to add features, new materials and resources to the Intellectual Property Law Collection is ongoing.

Questions? The HeinOnline Training & Support Wiki at http://heinonline.org/wiki/index.php/Main_Page provides a number of resources, including resource guides and tutorials, to help you get the most out of your research in HeinOnline. If you have any questions about accessing or using the Intellectual Property Law Collection or any other legal resource, please contact a law library reference librarian at the reference desk or by phone at 317.274.4026.



Librarian and Staff News

Judith Ford Anspach, Professor of Law and Law Library Director, presented "Advanced Online Legal Research Skills" at the National Business Institute's day-long seminar "Attorney's Guide to Legal Research Strategies On- and Offline," in Indianapolis on December 16, 2010.

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Hours are posted on the website and in the library.

Library hours - http://indylaw.indiana.edu/library/hours.htm
Reference hours - http://indylaw.indiana.edu/library/libservices.htm#RefHours