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ANNUAL REPORT 2015–2016

IN RECOGNITION OF 22 YEARS OF SERVICE TO YALE LAW SCHOOL

S. Blair Kauffman

Law Librarian & Professor of Law
1994–2016
I write my final introduction to our library’s annual report looking back not just at the past year, but over my twenty-two years leading the Lillian Goldman Law Library. I’m pleased with the remarkable progress we’ve made and the promise for the future. Over the past two decades, libraries have transitioned from print-based institutions primarily focused on inventory control operations to high-tech information providers focused on services supporting the highest level of teaching and scholarship. The law library has played a leading role in this transition and is on track to continue this role well into the future under the capable leadership of my successor, Teresa Miguel-Stearns, and her incredible team of dedicated librarians who are among the very best information professionals working together anywhere.

The library I walked into in 1994 now seems a dignified elderly relative to the lively, highly engaged information services provider it is today. The former library appeared tired and worn out, with the duct tape holding together its reading room carpet serving as a symbol of its faded beauty. Its archaic form-based classification system was no longer much use for navigating its ever-growing print-based collections. The library had highly skilled professionals, but its services were relatively limited, and the efforts of professional and support staff alike were directed primarily at managing its unwieldy print inventory.

The library I leave is among the most beautiful anywhere and attracts users and visitors who simply want to indulge in the pleasure of its majesty. Law students spend more time in the library than any other space on campus, including their classes, and it serves as their study area and second home. Its rich collections are readily accessible in both print and digital formats. Its rare books and foreign and international law collections provide incredibly unique research materials that attract scholars worldwide, and its digital resources are among the best in the world. Its user-centered services mirror the high tech world we now inhabit and stretch the imagination, engaging every library staff member.

The law library I leave is viewed by students and faculty alike as an indispensable part of the Yale Law School experience. We’ve shown that libraries can play an even more critical role in 21st century legal education than at any other time in the past and that the law library in particular provides students and faculty with something that is not available anywhere else and helps make this place special.

None of this would be possible without the enduring support of the law school and the dedication of the ever more talented team of librarians and staff who have dedicated themselves to rebuilding this institution in a manner that honors its past but focuses on the needs of contemporary users. I’ve been fortunate to have worked with a string of remarkably supportive deans, beginning with Guido Calabresi who hired me and provided encouragement, all the way through Robert Post who is one of the most gracious leaders I’ve ever encountered in legal education. Truly, all of the faculty, staff, and students at Yale have been amazing. What a privilege it has been for me to work with such brilliant people! But most remarkable of all are the library colleagues I leave behind, and they are the ones who will continue to make the law library the envy of our peers.

My successor, Teresa Miguel-Stearns, is one of the most capable and promising new leaders in academic law librarianship. She takes over the helm with the universal support of the library’s staff and the law school’s faculty and administration who have all witnessed her remarkable performance in multiple librarian roles at Yale over the past decade. She is known nationally and internationally for her leadership and scholarly contributions and brings to the profession a knowledge of law practice developed during a decade of work as a public defender, a fluency in our country’s two most widely spoken languages and a team leadership mentality (and sense of the fun in working together) developed through years of playing and officiating soccer.
Teresa’s colleagues include some of the very best academic law librarians currently working in their respective fields.

Fred Shapiro, who oversees collections and access, is one of the great scholars in academic librarianship. Mr. Shapiro understands how to maximize the complicated mix of digital and print collections better than anyone and is utterly dedicated to YLS. He works with Julien Aiken who is one of the most creative and user-oriented librarians I’ve ever encountered; e.g., he brought us Monty the therapy dog, as well as scan on demand. He also works with Cesar Zapata who repeatedly is nominated for the outstanding staff award by our students.

Scott Matheson oversees technical services operations and has a more user-centered view of these backroom functions than most anyone else overseeing a large technical services operation. He began his career at Yale as a reference librarian, is an amazing teacher, and just for fun has taught some of us how to build computers and networks from scratch. He works with Jason Eiseman who, like Mr. Matheson, combines first-hand knowledge of end-user needs with a natural aptitude for technology. Mr. Eiseman together with Caitlyn Lam took a leadership role in overseeing some of the library’s most ambitious digital projects. Cate Kellett oversees cataloging and government documents, but makes use of her law degree by offering additional support in reference, instruction, and collection development. Yuksel Serindag, took over our huge acquisitions unit this Spring following Anne Myers’ retirement and adds his substantial expertise and mid-Eastern language capabilities to what our library is able to offer.

Our rare book librarian, Mike Widener, is nothing short of amazing and is known internationally for his training of other rare book librarians working in law libraries. He has injected new life into this spectacular part of our library. Susan Karpuk provides the metadata for locating the ever-growing body of unusual materials Mr. Widener collects, assuring they are readily accessible, doing this with the sheer force of her brilliance. Ryan Harrington is providing new leadership for our strong foreign and international law section that includes the long-time dedicated service of Dan Wade and the impressive work of Evelyn Ma, a generalist who adds unique and all-encompassing support for a growing Chinese collection. Bonnie Collier continues her never-ending pursuit of creating oral histories of our amazing faculty.

John Nann oversees reference and instructional services and is one of the most talented legal reference librarians in the nation. Mr. Nann is assisted by Julie Graves Krishnaswami who is the best instructional services librarian with whom I’ve worked. Under her leadership, our research courses have reached record enrollments and get consistently high reviews from students. Faculty services are calmly overseen by Mike VanderHeijden who has a background managing law firm research services and never seems phased by the most pressing of requests. Jordan Jefferson was recently elevated to coordinate our ever-expanding reference services and makes good use of her substantial teaching skills and creative ideas to better serve our students. Our inaugural empirical research librarian, Sarah Ryan, has shown how critical this role is for 21st century law libraries. Sadly, as Ms. Ryan soon leaves us to pursue law school as a full-time student, we now must recruit her successor.

The library I leave is among the most beautiful anywhere and attracts users and visitors who simply want to indulge in the pleasure of its majesty. Law students spend more time in the library than any other space on campus, including their classes, and it serves as their study area and second home.

This team of professionals is supported by the most dedicated library staff with whom I’ve been privileged to work over my decades at Yale. My long-time assistant, Shana Jackson, who has worked at Yale nearly as long as I, keeps this agile group of talented individuals moving forward with her steadiness, warmth, and good nature.

In short, the past year has been another good one for the Lillian Goldman Law Library, and its services and programs have continued to evolve in a fashion similar to the decades preceding it. It’s been a great privilege for me to work with so many brilliant and dedicated people, and it’s a wonderful feeling to be leaving the library in such good capable hands.


Anne Alstott ’87. A New Deal for Old Age. Commentary by Bruce Ackerman ’67, April 11, 2016.

“Blair has shaped the Yale Law School library into an expression of his own exuberant love for the institution.”

— Robert Post, Dean and Sol & Lillian Goldman Professor of Law, Yale Law School

Everyone in this school believes that our library exists to serve them, to inspire them, and to underwrite their efforts to create a more perfect community. With flair and genius, Blair has communicated both his passion for the library and his vision of how a library can remain central to the educational mission of a modern law school. No other librarian in the world can match him in this regard.

“Blair’s remarkable success should be attributed not only to his genuine generosity of spirit, but also to his profound grasp of the strategic role of legal libraries in an age of rapidly evolving technologies. It has been a tremendous pleasure to work with Blair during these past seven years. He has made the Yale Law School a far, far better place.”

— Robert Post, Dean and Sol & Lillian Goldman Professor of Law, Yale Law School

The 2015–16 year began with the return of Law Librarian and Professor of Law Blair Kauffman from a six month leave-of-absence as part of his phased retirement. In the spring, Teresa Miguel-Stearns was appointed Blair’s successor. The spring also saw the arrival of the department’s new Senior Administrative Assistant, Fiona Williams-Linton, who joined Office Assistant Shana Jackson to help run the day-to-day administrative operations of the law library.

The semester ended with a retirement party for Prof. Kauffman. Speakers included Dean Robert Post, Professor Heather Gerken, former colleagues Tracy Thompson and Bonnie Collier, and current colleagues Fred Shapiro and Teresa Miguel-Stearns. Dean Post gave a tribute to Prof. Kauffman’s legacy of creating a welcoming and beautiful space for our community, building a culture of service to our patrons, and being a leader in the profession. Prof. Gerken similarly praised Prof. Kauffman’s oversight of a creative and innovative team of colleagues who magically produce what faculty and students need before our patrons even recognize the need. Prof. Kauffman’s colleagues shared various aspects of the joys of working with him in the library including his positive nature, endless support, invaluable advice, sound guidance, and profound ability to empower and develop his more junior colleagues.

For all these reasons and many more, we dedicate this year’s Annual Report to Prof. Kauffman, our leader, colleague, mentor, and friend.

Library Administration focuses its efforts on reaching and supporting faculty, students, and library colleagues in a variety of ways. We are constantly exploring innovative and effective avenues to meet patrons where they are and ensure they receive a high level of service as we strive in accordance with our Vision “to be the best academic law library in the world.”

RESEARCH AND PUBLICATION SUPPORT

Each year the law library supports the mission of the Yale Law School by supporting the research efforts of our faculty and students. Increasingly, these research requests require the law library to creatively obtain obscure historical materials, distant archival records, and complex data sets. The administrative team works closely with the Faculty Services unit to secure these materials. The law library also subsidizes the expensive process of submitting scholarly articles for publication through online, fee-based manuscript submission portals for faculty and students. Many students would not easily be able to obtain hard-to-find and costly materials, nor submit their scholarship to a range of journals, if not for the law library’s underwriting of these activities and tools.

LAW LIBRARY ‘TIP OF THE WEEK’

Following the suggestion of a student member of the Library Advisory Council several years ago, each Monday when school is in session, library administration sends out to the student body a Library Tip. The weekly message strategically conveys timely and relevant information. For example, as exams approach, the Tip instructs students on how to access past exams online and in print. As summer approaches, the Tip focuses on resources
the students might find helpful during their summer internships. As class registration approaches, the Tip reminds students of the useful legal research classes taught by our team of instructional law librarians. Students report they find these Tips invaluable over the course of the year.

LIBRARY CO-SPONSOURED EVENTS WITH YLS STUDENT GROUPS
For the last two years, the law library has made a concerted effort to engage Yale Law School Student Organizations by supporting their efforts to bring events to campus. To that end, the law library purchases books, DVDs, and screening rights; designs and prints promotional posters; and otherwise helps the student group representatives coordinate their events.

One of the more popular events was the combined film screening of Amistad with a Rare Book Room presentation of related materials. Dozens of students, faculty, and community members gathered in the Rare Book Room with Rare Book Librarian Mike Widener to view primary documents including affidavits, trial notes, and court filings of the Amistad case which was adjudicated in New Haven. Afterwards, everyone attended a screening of Amistad, which was already in our DVD collection and for which the law library secured screening rights for the event. It was a huge success co-sponsored by the Yale Black Law Students Association and the Lillian Goldman Law Library.

The leaders of our Student Groups have become great collaborators and together we are producing quality programs. This is a wonderful way for the law library and law librarians to develop relationships with many students who then feel comfortable asking the librarians for research and academic assistance. [The 1L Class Reps] want to thank you all for your help in making 1L movie night happen yesterday! It was a great study break and a much-needed opportunity to destress, and the popcorn was absolutely delicious. We really appreciate your support.

—Amit Jain ’18

The following are a sampling of events the library co-sponsored with various YLS Student Organizations:

Film Screenings


Book Talks


Lectures

SUPPORTING LIBRARY STAFF
Library Administration plans programs and meetings throughout the year to support the professional development and continual education of the library staff. For example, in January 2016, Library Administration organized a panel discussion of young library directors (Jocelyn Kennedy – Harvard; Ron Wheeler – Boston University; Raquel Ortiz – Roger Williams) who shared their career paths and gave career advice to the law librarians. Also, a new Professional Development Committee was created within the library to plan professional development opportunities and activities for staff at every level. The committee implemented cross-training opportunities across departments and created a digital library of career advancement articles and websites for the entire staff. Library Administration also supports librarian attendance at relevant national and international conferences, meetings, and training sessions.

Library Administration is grateful for the generous support of our donors and of Yale Law School administration which together allows the law library to build a great collection of resources and employ a dynamic, innovative, and brilliant team of librarians and support staff who are eager to create a culture and environment of endless support and excellent service. This is a culture implemented by Prof. Kauffman and is one of the rich legacies he leaves to us all.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES
Blair Kauffman, Law Librarian and Professor of Law, retired June 30, 2016. He was awarded the Marian Gould Gallagher Award for Distinguished Service – the highest honor given by the American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) – and was inducted in the AALL Hall of Fame. He was presented with the Leadership and Service award from the New England Law Libraries Consortium at his retirement party.

Teresa Miguel-Stearns, Deputy Director, completed her three-year term on the executive board of the Foreign, Comparative, and International Law Special Interest Section of AALL (2013-16). She begins her second year serving on the Standing Committee of the Law Library section of the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (2015-2018). Ms. Miguel-Stearns was invited to speak about a national benchmarking project she is developing for academic law libraries at the American Association of Law Schools (AALL) Annual Meeting, the New England Law Libraries Consortium (NELLCO) Symposium, and the Annual Meeting of the American Association of Law Libraries (AALL).
Two staff members retired and two arrived, vendors and formats changed, and new kinds of work came to the library.

Head of Acquisitions, Anne Myers, retired in the fall and Acquisitions Assistant Pat Caple retired in February after long service to the university. Although the Acquisitions Department was short-staffed, it continued its operations without interruption under Lead Acquisitions Assistant Diana Quinones, Acquisitions Assistant Louisa DeGaetano, and Technical Assistant/Acquisitions Assistant Joanne McCarthy. As usual, they continued to purchase materials for the library, faculty members and students, and course reserves.

Acquisitions Assistant Rosemary Williams received and processed thousands of magazines, journal issues, pocket parts, and loose-leaf updates. Ms. Williams also speedily processed journals routed to our faculty members and followed up with vendors when journal issues arrived late—or not at all. Pam Clifford, in charge of our accounts payable, processed over 3,000 invoices for domestic and international vendors on time to ensure that we have a friendly partnership with vendors.

In the second half of our academic year, two vacancies were filled with the hiring of Yüksel Serindag as Head of Acquisitions and Ivette Clegg as Acquisitions Assistant. Within a short period of time both Mr. Serindag and Ms. Clegg familiarized themselves with the work policies and the environment of the law library and immediately began contributing to the work of the department. In consultation with a new bindery vendor and colleagues at the University Library, Ms. Clegg began preparing journals for binding while learning a new system to manage the work. With the new staff members, the Acquisitions Department is again fully staffed and ready to rush course books to the reserve shelf and to track down obscure titles from around the world.

Digital resources work has expanded as more projects are proposed by library patrons and staff. While the work of licensing databases and electronic content for the library has not diminished, it has become more predictable and regular. The department has begun to transition this work to the Acquisitions Department while also developing capacity to take on original digital projects. Digital Resources Librarian Caitlyn Lam has worked to train staff in acquisitions and cataloging to take on work related to licensed content. At the same time she has led a committee of librarians to develop a program for managing and successfully completing complex digital projects. While developing this program she has worked with Head of Technology Services Jason Eiseman, Ms. McCarthy, and several students to complete projects including publication of an e-book and digitization of a faculty research collection.

Ms. Lam and Mr. Eiseman continue to develop the library’s capacity to undertake more and more complex digital projects while ensuring they are completed according to schedule and within budget. As they work to professionalize the digital projects program they are developing policies and systems to address concerns like preservation of digital objects, emerging metadata standards, and the unique challenges of manuscript and audio-visual materials.

Cate Kellett, Catalog and Government Documents Librarian, continues to describe the library’s collections with the help of Catalog Assistant Jonathan Lasky. Mr. Lasky was able to further the library’s goal of cross-departmental cooperation by spending time with Head of Access Services Julian Aiken to introduce him to the process of cataloging. This has helped increase understanding and improved workflows in the library.

Ms. Kellett completed the last stage of a complicated project to integrate the library’s government documents collection into the main collection. This required reviewing,
reclassifying, and reshelving these important research materials. Documents that were not relevant to the collection or were duplicated in other formats needed to be carefully accounted for and permission to dispose of them sought from the Connecticut State Library. With the help of staff, the project was completed and final permission received in June.

Rare Book Cataloger Susan Karpuk completed a monumental reclassification of the rare books collection into a fixed-order arrangement. This work created much-needed space for the collection by arranging books by size and allowing more efficient shelving. It had the added benefit of completing the barcoding of the collection and performing an inventory. Ms. Karpuk also performed detailed cataloging of materials related to the Tom Mooney trial, in support of an exhibition mounted in the library.

Ms. Kellett, Mr. Eiseman, and Mr. Matheson continue to work directly with library patrons at the reference desk and in the classroom. This work helps the library to provide a higher level of service but also informs their daily work, allowing them to understand the impact that decisions made in technical services have on the library’s services.

While Technical Services steadily performs routine functions key to making the library work, the department is also embracing change to ensure the library continues to provide relevant services in an evolving research environment.

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Yuksel Serindag is the new acquisitions librarian. His position also includes supervising the library’s serials workflow. He was previously acquisitions librarian at Hartford’s Trinity College.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Jason Eiseman, Head of Technology Services, served as Chair of the Law Libraries section of the Connecticut Bar Association. He organized and participated in a webinar on the new Connecticut e-Regulations system. He completed a temporary, part-time assignment in the IT department of Yale University Library where he updated part of the campus-wide Quicksearch system.

Susan Karpuk, Rare Book Catalog Librarian, worked with the editors of the English Short Title Catalogue and the Incunabula Short Title Catalogue to ensure the library’s holdings were reflected in these international reference works. She also worked to establish the award-winning bibliography of Blackstone as a recognized cataloging reference and added the newly established “Laeuchli” numbers to the library’s records.

Cate Kellett, Catalog and Government Documents Librarian, attended the AALL Leadership Academy in Chicago. She was President of the Southern New England Law Librarians Association. She is a member of the Orientation Committee and the Internships and Fellowships Committee. She gave presentations to the Connecticut Bar Association and the staff at the Cornell Law Library.

Caitlyn Lam, Digital Resources Librarian, served on the Online Bibliographic Systems education committee, the editorial board of Technical Services Law Librarian, and the AALL Annual Meeting Program Committee. She attended iPRES, the International Conference on Digital Preservation and took classes in digital curation.

Scott Matheson, Associate Librarian for Technical Services, attended the Charleston Conference on Library Acquisitions, Innovative Users’ Group where he led the Law users group, presented at Depository Library Council meetings, and coordinated and presented at the Innovative Law Users Group meeting. He was elected chair of the Depository Library Council.

Yuksel Serindag, Acquisitions Librarian, attended the New England Law Library Consortium (NELCO) Symposium in Albany, New York in March. He also attended a series of workshops on management, communication, and personal development at Yale’s Organizational Effectiveness and Staff Development center.
The Reference and Instructional Services Department in the Lillian Goldman Law Library is primarily responsible for ensuring that students and faculty have the research assistance and instruction that they need.

The mission is accomplished through ready reference service, student research consultations, faculty research support, faculty Research Assistant training, and a variety of instructional offerings.

This has been a year of many changes in the department including the retirement of longtime Reference Librarian Margaret Chisholm. Nonetheless, this year saw tremendous growth in many areas. There was a significant increase in the use of one-on-one consultations by students, we offered two large sections of Advanced Legal Research and a new 1L research and writing class was piloted, and we continued to obtain materials for faculty and students from near and far.

One of the unique organizational quirks to our department is that while we have team members who coordinate, plan, and oversee the various aspects of the services that we provide, they are not solely responsible for providing those services. For example, Jordan Jefferson is the Coordinating Librarian for Reference Services, but Ms. Jefferson is one of our gifted teachers and she is responsible for teaching Research Methods in American Law. This system ensures that each area has someone specifically attending to it, but it also allows for the team to allocate the best resources to each endeavor.

In her role as coordinator of reference services, one of Ms. Jefferson’s efforts this year was to provide more librarians with the training necessary to provide reference support to our students. As a result, we continued to see the trend towards more of our professional librarians providing patrons with ready reference assistance. In addition to department members Ms. Chisholm, Ryan Harrington, Ms. Jefferson, Julie Graves Krishnaswami, Evelyn Ma, John B. Nann, Ms. Ryan, and Michael VanderHeijden, the reference desk is staffed by Julian Aiken, Jason Eiseman, Cate Kellett, Scott Matheson, and Fred Shapiro. By broadening the participation in reference, librarians who might not get much exposure to the research that the law students are conducting get that opportunity and the Reference and Instruction team is able to provide more instructional services, more research support for the faculty, and, perhaps most exciting, a large number of one-on-one research consultations with our students.

Our students have increasingly taken advantage of our offer of one-on-one research consultations. These consultations are intended to help students develop research plans, work through research roadblocks, and teach students about research processes and sources. We have seen a steady increase in the demand for these consultations over the past few years, but this year we saw a leap from slightly more than 400 such meetings last year to almost 700 this year. (see chart 1)

This past year also saw the continuation of the trend toward electronic communication. While we still have substantial walk-up reference business, approximately 60% of interactions come from email. (see chart 2)

Ms. Jefferson and the members of the team frequently analyze the data we collect and consider various options to ensure that we allocate our resources in the most effective means to meet the needs of our patrons.

REFERENCE AND INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES

The Reference and Instructional Services Department in the Lillian Goldman Law Library is primarily responsible for ensuring that students and faculty have the research assistance and instruction that they need.
Yale Law School students continued to demand research instruction in a variety of formats and the librarians, led by our Head of Instructional Services, Ms. Krishnaswami, delivered! Enrollment in research courses reached record numbers, and doctrinal and clinical faculty and students groups requested many more sessions. Finally, the librarians and the clinical fellows joined forces to pilot a research and writing course for first term students.

**For-Credit Research Courses**

Advanced Legal Research continued as the headline research class and was in such high demand that the department added a second section during the Spring semester. Ms. Krishnaswami taught one of the sections and Mr. Nann and Ms. Ryan taught the other. Between the two sections, we taught Advanced Legal Research to nearly 100 students.

Similarly, the enrollment in our other research classes grew. Two courses, Research Methods in American Law taught by Ms. Jefferson as well as Research Methods in Foreign and International Law taught by Mr. Ryan, had the largest enrollment in years, twenty and twelve students, respectively. Ms. Chisholm’s Research Methods in Corporate Law and Mr. Nann’s Research Methods in American Legal History enrolled roughly the same number of students as previous years. Ms. Ryan and Mr. Matheson taught Introduction to Empirical Legal Research for the second time.

**Small Group Legal Research**

Ms. Krishnaswami, Mr. Eiseman, and Mr. Nann taught the research sections of a first term writing and research program that was piloted during the Fall 2015 semester. This new class presented legal research and writing instruction in an integrated format during six sessions in the first six weeks of the semester. This is the first class of its kind at Yale Law School and was designed to meet students’ demands for more research and writing instruction in the first year of law school. It received overwhelmingly positive reviews and will be expanded for the fall of 2016.

**Workshops and Guest Lectures**

Members of the department are involved in many educational endeavors outside the for-credit classes. Notably, Ms. Krishnaswami was invited by the Yale Law Journal to offer a summer research refresher. Ms. Krishnaswami was also invited by the Mental Health Alliance and Yale Environmental Law Association to present on research strategies. Mr. VanderHeijden, Ms. Ryan, and Mr. Shapiro again offered a session devoted to helping students through the publication process.

All members of the department also serve as liaisons to clinics. This relationship leads to formal workshop-like research classes. For example, Mr. Nann offered a class on Connecticut Legislation and the Connecticut Legislature, Mr. VanderHeijden offered a class to the Environmental Protection Clinic on researching statutes, and Ms. Krishnaswami offered a class on legislative history to the Introduction to the Regulatory State. Many less-formal instructional consultations also occurred.

**Faculty Services**

Mr. VanderHeijden, Head of Faculty Services, coordinates the Faculty Services team. He is assisted by Drew Adan with help from Barbara Olszowa and members of the Access Services and Technical Services teams. They handle document delivery for the faculty and coordinate the librarian liaison to the faculty program. Our faculty services team also coordinate and lead library orientations and trainings for faculty, faculty assistants, and visiting faculty. The team responds to over 2,500 requests for materials by the faculty annually. In addition, they acquire material for faculty and students from archives, courts, and other repositories. This year, they also hired researchers on behalf of the faculty to review and secure material from the National Archives, Archives of the United Kingdom, the FDR Library in Hyde Park, and the special collections of Smith, Columbia, Harvard, and the University of Michigan. One project has involved the acquisition of over 95 archived court documents from 19 federal courts. The Faculty Services team offers training for faculty assistants, provides information about copyright clearance, and channels acquisition and circulation questions to other library departments.
EMPIRICAL SUPPORT
Ms. Ryan provides empirical support to the faculty and students through reference work, research consultations to discuss research design and data analysis, and instruction. This spring, Ms. Ryan and Mr. Matheson taught an empirical research course to law students.

Also this year, Ms. Ryan took on an active role with the university’s Institutional Review Board. Each year, Yale Law School faculty and students conduct interview, survey, and ethnographic research. According to federal regulations (e.g., 45 C.F.R. 46.101), the plan for that human subjects research should be reviewed by the university institutional review board (IRB). To secure IRB approval, a researcher has to identify the appropriate review category for the research (i.e., exempt, expedited, or full IRB board review), select the requisite forms, and complete a series of online and desktop-based tasks. The process can be convoluted, particularly since most social and behavioral researchers interact with the IRB less than once a year. This year, the law library began offering IRB support.

In summer 2015, Sarah Ryan was trained by IRB staff members and designated as the exempt protocol reviewer for the law school. In that role, she reviewed completed exempt review packets and submitted letters of recommendation along with the materials to the IRB. The goal was to both ensure that researchers were submitting all of the required documentation and to speed up the exempt review process. Additionally, she consulted on full IRB board review protocols and on the design of human subjects research.

In fall 2015, Ms. Ryan was invited to serve on the university’s Social, Behavioral, & Educational IRB. The experience of being an IRB member enabled her to better counsel faculty and students on complex issues such as verbal consent and ethical recruiting practices. Serving alongside faculty from law, public health, and a host of social science disciplines, immersed her in multifaceted approaches to research ethics and study design. In summer 2016, Scott Matheson, Associate Librarian for Technical Services, will be trained by the IRB and will serve as the law library’s IRB support person for the 2016–17 school year.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Jordan A. Jefferson, Coordinating Librarian for Reference Services, presented on library marketing tips and strategies at the Southern New England Law Librarians Association fall lunch meeting. She is the immediate past chair of the Professional Engagement, Growth, and Advancement Special Interest Section of AALL, co-chair of the Yale University Library’s Work-Life Committee, chair of the Yale Working Women’s Network Work/Life & Social committee, and co-chair of the law library’s Outreach Committee.

Julie Graves Krishnaswami, Head of Instructional Services, was a panelist at the Flexible Scheduling for Managerial and Professional Staff forum for the Yale University Library. She presented workshops entitled Legal Research 101: 10 Skills for Excelling at your Summer Job, Legal Research Workshop on Regulations, When to STOP Researching, and Preemption Checking. She was a nominee for the Yale University Graduate and Professional Student Senate’s Inspiring Yale, and the Yale Law Women’s Faculty Excellence Award. She is currently the treasurer of the Southern New England Law Librarians Association.

John B. Nann, Associate Librarian for Reference and Instructional Services, moderated a webinar on Advanced Topics in Survey Design for AALL. 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 E. Ryan, Head of Empirical Legal Research Services, delivered the webinar Advanced Topics in Survey Design for AALL, presented at the AALL annual meeting in a session entitled So You’re a Databrarian Now: Learning the Tools of the Trade, was selected as a Fulbright Senior Specialist Peer Review Committee member, was a member of Yale’s Human Subjects Committee, and served on the Executive Board of the Law Librarians section of the Connecticut Bar Association.

Michael VanderHeijden, Head of Faculty Services, presented on the panel Library Career Planning: Is Management Right for Everyone? at the AALL Annual Meeting. At SNELLA’s Spring Meeting, he presented on the creation and future plans for the Law Librarians of New England’s Legal Link website. He also chairs the law library’s Scholarly Communications Committee.
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 in comparative law in English, French, German, Italian, and Spanish. In addition, the law library collects heavily in certain foreign jurisdictions.

Daniel Wade, Curator of Foreign and International Law, oversees the exceptional human rights collection and acquisitions from a wide variety of foreign jurisdictions. Other librarians assist with the selection process based on their interest and expertise. Ryan Harrington, Head of Foreign and International Law Collection, selects for Germany, Switzerland Austria, and India. Evelyn Ma, Reference Librarian for Foreign and International Law, collects for Korea, Japan, Singapore, Malaysia and China. Associate Librarian for Reference and Instructional Services John Nann has a portfolio that includes Canada, Australia, New Zealand, the United Kingdom and the European Union. Catalog and Government Documents Librarian Cate Kellett, taking over selection responsibility from Teresa Miguel-Stearns, Deputy Director, collects for Latin America and Iberia. Head of Research Instruction Julie Graves Krishnaswami selects materials on global women issues.

The Lillian Goldman Law Library continues to collaborate with the Northeast Foreign Law Librarians’ Cooperative Group (NEFLLCG). Librarians in the Foreign and International Law Collection meet twice a year with their counterparts from Columbia University, Cornell University, Fordham University, Georgetown University, Harvard University, and the University of Pennsylvania. After Mr. Harrington arranged a visit to the United Nations in New York, NEFLLCG members were offered deaccessioned print titles previously held at the UN Dag Hammarskjöld Library. Over 100 titles from the deaccessioned list, mostly monographs, were selected and added to our collection.

Ms. Ma showcases our foreign and international law collection through her exhibits. In the fall, her exhibit, Yale Journal of International Law: Then and Now, featured library resources on the formation and development of the journal. To complement a conference coordinated by Visiting Associate Professor Richard Albert, Canada in the World: Comparative Perspectives on the Canadian Constitution, Ms. Ma prepared a display of print materials on the evolution of Canada’s constitutional legal regime. In addition, Foreign and International Law Collection Assistant Barbara (Basia) Olszowa, has also prepared book cover displays of recent library acquisitions with different thematic foci, enlivening the décor of the many otherwise unnoticed nooks and crannies of the law library.

Librarians work closely with members of the Yale Law School Graduate Programs to incorporate library resources and research training into the studies of the graduate community. Movie Nights @ YLS is celebrating its 10th anniversary since its inception in the winter of 2006. The event has provided the graduate student community a lighter platform for meaningful cultural conversations through the medium of movies. Ms. Kellett and Ms. Ma, in collaboration with the staff of the Graduate Programs, coordinated the program, which is held two-to-three times during the fall and spring semesters. Students screen films of cultural, socio-political, and legal interest from their home countries followed by engaging discussions led by the graduate student host.

In conjunction with Professor Oona Hathaway’s spring class on international law, Mr. Harrington led a one-credit course on Specialized Legal Research in Foreign and International Law, with Ms. Ma and Mike VanderHeijden, Head of Faculty Services, guest-teaching several sessions. Librarians also provided research training workshops on international law to students enrolled in doctrinal and clinical courses, often at the request of our faculty. Mr. Harrington offered a customized training session for the Kirby Simon Fellows, who will be spending their summers working with foreign and international materials in a variety of internships around the world. Preemption check training was offered by
Ms. Krishnaswami to editors of Yale Journal of International Law in late spring. Ms. Ma continues to provide research support and training to students enrolled in the Asylum Clinic.

Also of note was the assistance provided by Mr. Harrington to Yale Law School’s first French-speaking Charles-Rousseau international law moot court team. Created in 1985, the Charles-Rousseau moot court competition is named after eminent author of post-war French doctrine on international law, Charles Rousseau (1902-1993). Contestants from countries around the world participated in the moot held in Havana, Cuba. The student team, made up of four students receiving individual oralist awards, placed among the top ten, including the Best Oralist award.

To supplement research training, librarians updated online research guides tailored for specific classes or clinical needs at the law school. 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 also participate in the global exchange of legal information. Mr. Harrington and Ms. Miguel-Stearns attended the International Association of Law Libraries (IALL) annual meeting in Berlin, Germany last fall; and Mr. Harrington also attended the annual meeting of American Society of International Law (ASIL) in Washington, D.C. this past spring. One panel related to the development of the Department of Defense’s Law of War Manual was especially noteworthy. Prof. Hathaway’s substantive international law class helped develop the manual by working through issues and questions related to the law of war raised by the Department of Defense. The panel explained how the manual evolved and as such was an interesting testament to how research conducted by students and facilitated by Mr. Harrington played to a larger audience beyond the classroom. Late last fall, Ms. Ma moderated a panel discussion on collection development and resource sharing at the Chinese American Forum on Legal Information (CAFLL) in Honolulu, where over 100 librarians, vendors and informational professionals from China and the United States attended. Lastly, Mr. Harrington, Ms. Ma and Mr. Wade also attended the annual meeting of American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) held in Philadelphia last summer. Mr. Wade convened a reading group on one of The Economist’s Books of the Year in 2014, Bill Hayton’s The South China Sea: The Struggle for Power in Asia (Yale University Press, 2014).

New acquisitions include a campus-wide license secured by Fred Shapiro, Associate Librarian for Access and Collection Services, for the current digital edition of South China Morning Post, a Hong Kong-based English-language newspaper founded in 1903, and print materials on the law of the Philippines. Assisted by the staff of Access and Collection Services, as well as Technical Services, the public international law print collection in the Upper East Side section of the law library was reorganized and consolidated, facilitating more centralized retrieval and managed growth of shelf space for the heavily used collection.

**Ms. Evelyn Ma**

*Reference Librarian in Foreign and International Law*

The Foreign, Comparative and International Law Special Interest Section of the AALL awarded Evelyn Ma the Spirit of the FCIL-SIS award at the 2016 Annual Meeting of the AALL. Ms. Ma has been active in the FCIL-SIS for over a decade. Her service includes chairing the Asian Law Interest Group and presenting reports on various aspects of Asian law research and collections.
Law Librarian and Professor of Law Blair Kauffman, who retired at the end of June 2016, after twenty-two years at the helm of the Lillian Goldman Law Library, has been one of the most important and remarkable figures in the history of American law librarianship. Normally one would start by explaining his objective accomplishments, then move on to more intangible attributes, but in Blair’s case the intangibles leap to mind first. He is a person of unusual forthrightness, unpretentiousness, upbeatness, and informality. His management style has been extraordinary: he hired the best people, and then gave them maximal freedom to gestate new ideas and run with their ideas. Nothing was too far-out to be entertained and supported by Blair and his library. As a result, a cornucopia of innovative services has been birthed at the law library. To name just a few, we have pioneered with Monty the therapy dog, on-demand services including Scan on Demand (scanning articles and chapters for patrons without charge), and checkout of non-book items ranging from cell phone chargers to umbrellas to soccer balls to bicycles.

Another defining attribute of Blair’s is his passion for excellence. He has created a culture at the law library where it is routine and expected to be the best law library in the world in all respects, and to continually accomplish things that no one has accomplished before. The desire for and achievement of excellence can be seen in our library across the full spectrum of library activities, from twenty-first-century applications of technology to very traditional functions like rare book collecting, with even the very traditional functions being pursued with great innovativeness and creativity.

The achievements by Blair’s library in the technology area were honored by the American Association of Law Libraries in 2013 with the Innovations in Technology Award. That award was given for eYLS, our umbrella name for digital collections including the Yale Law School Legal Scholarship Repository, which is one of the largest and richest sites on the entire World Wide Web for open-access legal scholarship; the Documents Collection Center, which includes seven different very notable collections such as digitized Litchfield Law School notebooks, the Pronouncing Dictionary of the Supreme Court of the United States, and the beautiful materials accompanying Professor Judith Resnik’s and Professor Dennis Resnik’s
space. At the same time he spearheaded an extremely ambitious retrospective conversion and reclassification project that was of enormous benefit to law libraries nationally. Making clear the importance and usefulness to the larger community of the achievements only some of which are mentioned above, the New York Times has since 2010 printed no less than thirteen articles about innovative activities of our library. Stunning as the New York Times publicity has been, however, the real crux of Blair’s importance has been the impact of his accomplishments on the role of the law library at Yale and the example he has provided for libraries everywhere. Through his progressive style and innovations and through the popular services he has implemented, Blair has ensured that the law library is among the departments of Yale Law School that are most beloved by our students. The Yale Law Women two years ago gave its annual award for outstanding service by a staff member at YLS to the library staff as a whole, the first time such a departmental designation was ever made. Popularity of this sort, together with programming such as book talks, has helped to make our library central to the scholarly and social life of the school. Services to faculty have been equally successful; it is widely accepted nationally that the library’s faculty services are the best and most extensive anywhere. Such services led Professor John Witt to state: “The Lillian Goldman Library at Yale Law School is one of the wonders of the known world.”

I do not believe Blair’s resemblance to Mick Jagger to be entirely coincidental. He is a rock star among law librarians, as well as the best lead singer a library could hope to have. I hear he’s quite the nifty dancer too.

Julian Aiken, Head of Access Services
This year has seen the Access Services staff branching out to assist with new projects in departments across the law library, which, in addition to providing other departments with invaluable help, has been immensely beneficial to the professional development of our own staff. Access Services has also continued to develop the law school’s open access repository of faculty and student scholarship, as well as advancing a number of highly successful outreach programs.

Led by Julian Aiken, Access Services organized the Yale Law Library Short Story Competition for the second straight year. We were thrilled to receive 26 truly excellent entries to the competition this year, making selecting a winner a challenging endeavor. The honor went to Katie Munyan ’17 for Lola at the Front Desk, a genuinely outstanding and haunting work. We also published two volumes of our best short stories from the 2015 and the 2016 competitions. These two books have been added to the library’s collection, and serve as wonderful reminders of just how talented a community of students we are lucky enough to have.

Each of our Access Services staff members have spent time working with other departments, developing new skills and helping to provide new services to our library users. Here are a few highlights of projects staff have worked on.

**Alison Burke, Library Services Assistant**
Alison Burke is our interlibrary loan specialist. She is a genius at finding the impossible to find, and spends most of her working day searching for ambiguous citations from obscure publications. This has made her ideally suited to the task of assisting our Foreign and International department with their work supporting faculty publications. One project she recently completed involved her tracking down extensive lists of foreign and international materials, which were needed by our librarians to help a faculty member complete her book on international law. Alison loves a challenge, and this project definitely provided her with one, but—as always—it was a challenge she successfully surmounted.

**Cha Chi Hung, Library Services Assistant**
Cha Chi Hung is our scanning and course reserves expert. She does amazing work making sure the course readings our students need are available in a timely manner at the beginning of the semester and throughout the academic year. Ms. Hung’s attention to detail and her interactions with faculty for course reserves have made her a perfect back-up assistant to the faculty services team. Ms. Hung has worked with Faculty Services to answer faculty requests, track down materials, and deliver books and journals to faculty offices. As well as providing much-needed assistance.
to Faculty Services, this work has helped Cha Chi expand her skill set and develop positive working relationships with our faculty and their assistants.

Craig Kirkland, Library Services Assistant
Craig Kirkland’s daily work sees him collaborating with other law schools and universities across the world, providing access to our materials through scans and mailed books. Mr. Kirkland is also something of a bibliophile, with a strong affinity for rare books. Therefore, he has been working closely with our Rare Books unit on numerous physical and digital projects including preservation and storage of fragile materials, digitization of images and texts, foreign language translations and other special collections projects.

Antonio Malabag, Library Services Assistant
Antonio Malabag’s primary assignment is to keep our department running smoothly through the evenings. He is generally responsible for operating the circulation desk, filing materials, and helping with interlibrary loan mailings. Antonio also regularly assists Law Library Administration by collecting and distributing mail; and Faculty Services by assisting with routed materials. Working across departments has helped Antonio gain a more holistic sense of the law library, while providing invaluable help to all.

Benjamin Bernard, Library Services Assistant
In addition to working the circulation desk during evenings and weekends, Benjamin Bernard is our stacks specialist. His job is to ensure that all books are quickly and accurately shelved once they’ve been returned by readers. But Mr. Bernard also has an abiding interest in rare books and, therefore, has been spending 20 percent of his time assisting our Rare Books librarian with stacks reorganization and maintenance, for which he is uniquely well qualified and valuable for this project given his extensive experience maintain the stacks of our general collection. This partnership has allowed Mr. Bernard to learn a great deal about our rare books collection.

Cesar Zapata, Collections and Access Coordinator
Cesar Zapata’s primary role in the library is to assist the Head of Access Services by coordinating evening and weekend Access Services work, student employees, and stacks management projects. Beyond this work, however, Mr. Zapata has been involved for a number of years with digital projects related to our Rare Books department. Mr. Zapata has been primarily responsible for digitizing some of our unique collections and exhibiting them in our open access repository (http://digitalcommons.law.yale.edu/). In doing so, Mr. Zapata has not only developed his own skill set, but has benefited readers across the world by helping provide free electronic access to some of our most valuable collections.

Julian Aiken, Head of Access Services
Julian Aiken is responsible for the overall management of the Access Services unit. He also has a strong interest in reference and, therefore, has taken on regular reference desk duties in the library. Additionally, Julian has spearheaded an effort to triage morning reference desk work using Access Services staff. All Access Services staff members have been trained to distinguish between basic questions, which one can answer immediately, and more complicated reference questions, to be passed on to a librarian. As well as freeing up our reference librarians to focus on more in-depth reference meetings with individual students and faculty, this has been highly beneficial to the professional development of our own staff.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Julian Aiken
Julian Aiken is the Head of Access Services, is an editorial board member for the Journal of Access Services, and served this year on the Library’s Executive Committee. He also served as a member of the Access Services Conference Awards Committee, and on the Communication and Advocacy Programs Committee for the American Association of Law Libraries 2016 Conference. On behalf of the American Association of Law Libraries (AALL), Mr. Aiken co-hosted a webinar with John Palfrey for Mr. Palfrey’s recent book, BiblioTech: Why Libraries Matter More Than Ever in the Age of Google.

Cesar Zapata
Cesar Zapata celebrates a 15-year milestone at Yale in 2016. Many of these years have been spent generously serving on committees at the Lillian Goldman Law Library, the Yale University Library, and the American Association of Law Libraries. This year, Cesar is serving on two new committees: he is chair of the Professional Development Committee at the law library; and he is a member of the Library Staff Diversity & Inclusion Committee for the Yale University Library. Coincidentally, both of these committees are working on drafting a code of conduct for the entire library community. Cesar also created a monthly library newsletter, which has been greeted with glowing reviews from the law school community.
In the collection development sphere, we want to be responsive and service-focused so that our faculty and students, whose scholarship is the best in the legal world, have the tools and resources to do research to support that scholarship. Because the research landscape nowadays features rapid changes in publishing, information formats, and patrons’ use of research materials, it is essential for us to be agile, creative, and data-driven in order to deliver the best library collection in the world effectively and efficiently to our patrons.

In furtherance of the objectives just mentioned, we continue ambitious acquisition of print publications. Increasingly, however, the usefulness of a research library is defined by its digital resources. During 2015–16, we added these databases, among others:

- Economist digital license
- HeinOnline Animal Studies: Law, Welfare, and Rights
- HeinOnline National Survey of State Laws
- House of Lords Parliamentary Papers
- ICLR (Incorporated Council of Law Reporting)
- Online Library
- ProQuest Regulatory Insight
- South China Morning Post digital license
- Wall Street Journal digital license

One of the most important of these new resources is ProQuest Regulatory Insight. The publisher describes this as follows: “Regulatory Insight seeks to facilitate teaching and learning about administrative law by legal researchers, as well as academic researchers from many other disciplines. Regulatory Insight contains administrative law histories organized by public law, and provides functionality similar to the functionality found in Legislative Insight, to facilitate research. Longer term, ProQuest will create separate modules and offer content and functionality to enable users to engage in a wide variety of research tasks related to both historic and current administrative law.” We expect Regulatory Insight to be of value to the faculty and students at Yale Law School who study administrative law or engage in activism involving administrative law.

Also of special importance are the digital licenses for the Wall Street Journal, Economist, and South China Morning Post. The Economist and SCMP were purchased for campuswide access, with the Economist being paid for jointly by the law library and the Yale University Library (YUL). The Economist is of considerable interest to our faculty and students, and the South China Morning Post was strongly desired by the law school’s Paul Tsai China Center. Law students have clamored actively for a digital license for the Wall Street Journal for several years, and the access we arranged is limited to law school affiliates. We believe we are one of a very small number of law schools with such access to the WSJ. Like the New York Times digital license that we arranged a few years ago, 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.

The subscription to the Economist license shared with YUL illustrates a trend on our part toward greater collaboration with YUL. While it is crucial to us to maintain our autonomy and to prioritize the needs of the Law School community, we want to be helpful to the university community and YUL as well. Often, partnerships with the university library will make certain databases more affordable to us or otherwise facilitate law library acquisitions, creating a “win-win” situation.

As we continue to experiment with finding a place for downloadable ebooks in our collecting, we are engaged in cooperating with YUL in the purchase of ebook packages and the development of standards for this kind of collection development. Our Associate Librarian for Collections and Access, Fred Shapiro, is participating as an observer in meetings of YUL’s Ebooks Advisory Group.

Another kind of collection development outreach is to YLS alumni. While vendors generally restrict access to their electronic
products to current Yale affiliates, we were able to obtain free access for alumni to the HeinOnline Law Journal Library. This digital library, including the full text of more than 2,000 law and law-related periodicals and integrated case law, is of great value to Law alumni. The HeinOnline iPad App is also made available. Alumni can additionally use, without cost, the JSTOR digital archive of academic journals in many disciplines and the YLS Legal Scholarship Repository.

In 2015 we received a particularly interesting gift of print books, from the family of the late YLS Professor Joseph Goldstein. Prof. Goldstein was a major scholar of criminal law, law and psychology, and family law, among other fields, and his books reflected his wide-ranging interests. Among the donated items were the following:

Eight notebooks of YLS class notes (ca. 1950) by Prof. Goldstein and also by his wife, Sonja Goldstein.

Marked-up galley proofs for several of Prof. Goldstein’s books, including his landmark works on “Best Interests of the Child.”

Many translations of his books into various languages such as Danish and Chinese.

Inscribed books by various other YLS professors and uninscribed faculty books that strengthened our faculty books collections.

Classic books on psychology and other social sciences.

Books inscribed by Anna Freud, one of Professor Goldstein’s coauthors on the “Best Interests of the Child” books, the daughter of Sigmund Freud, and in her own right a major founder of psychoanalytic child psychology. A book inscribed by Harold Laski to Prof. Goldstein. Laski was his Ph.D. thesis advisor at the London School of Economics and the intellectual leader and chairman of Britain’s Labour Party.

An early (1922) book on homosexuality.

In a conscious effort to strengthen our historical holdings of German law books, we acquired over one hundred facsimile reprints of classic volumes from that country from a dealer in Amsterdum. Thanks are due to Yuksel Serindag and Pamela Clifford of the Acquisitions Department and Susan Karpuk, Catie Kellett, and Jonathan Lasky of the Cataloging Department for their great work in making this acquisition possible.

LIBRARY PUBLICATIONS

This year was a relatively quiet one for our normally active programs of library publications. There were no new books produced in the Yale Law Library Series in Legal History and Reference (published by Yale University Press). However, there are several outstanding books forthcoming in this series: Inventing American Exceptionalism by Amelia Kessler; The Face That Launched a Thousand Lawsuits by Jessica Lake; and Yale Guide to Research in American Legal History by Morris Cohen and John Nann.

Our primary digital publication is the Yale Law School Legal Scholarship Repository, an open-access repository of YLS’s faculty, student, and other publications, intended to preserve the intellectual output of the school and preserve its institutional history. The Access Services section of this Annual Report describes current developments of the repository.

The Technical Services section of this Annual Report describes another noteworthy library publication. This is a book by YLS Professor Emeritus Michael J. Graetz, entitled, Follow the Money: Essays on International Taxation, and published in digital and print-on-demand formats by the Lillian Goldman Law Library. Jason Eiseman and Caitlyn Lam were responsible for producing this project. Yet another noteworthy library publication, the exhibition catalogue by Emma Molina Widener and Michael Widener entitled Murder and Women in 19th-Century America: Trial Accounts in the Yale Law Library, is discussed in the Rare Book Collection section.

Finally, there was an article this year that was not strictly a library publication but has such importance and relevance to our library that it merits mention here. “The Secret History of the Bluebook” by our librarians, Fred R. Shapiro and Julie Graves Krishnaswami, was published in the Minnesota Law Review in its April 2016 issue. Drawing on unique materials in our rare book collection, the article demonstrated that the standard legal citation manual was created at Yale rather than at Harvard. The New York Times ran a large story about the Shapiro-Krishnaswami article on December 8, 2015. The authors received an email stating “Love reading about discoveries made in archival records that rewrite history. Well done!” from David S. Ferreiro, the Archivist of the United States.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Fred Shapiro, Associate Librarian for Collections and Access, continued his roles as Contributing Editor of 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 annual list of the ten most notable quotations of the year was disseminated by the Associated Press, and covered by the Today Show and other media. He also served as a consultant to the United States Postal Service.

Dan Wade, Curator of Foreign and International Law Collection, is an active member of AALL and NEFLLCG. He attended the 2015 Annual Meeting of the American Association of Law Libraries where he chaired the Foreign, Comparative, and International Law Special Interest Section’s Foreign Selectors meeting. Mr. Wade also led the FCIL-SIS Book Group discussion these last two years. In 2016, the group discussed East West Street: On the Origins of “Genocide” and “Crimes Against Humanity,” by Philippe Sands.

Prof. Kaufman, Dean Robert Post and Fred Shapiro in the Rare Book Room.
The past year saw our Blackstone exhibit circumnavigate the globe. Visitors and researchers came from every continent to view and use the Rare Book Collection, while the collection reached out to the world with its online resources.

PUBLIC PROGRAMMING

In August, the Lillian Goldman Law Library’s first travelling exhibition, *250 Years of Blackstone’s Commentaries*, departed for London after its debut in the law library. Curated by Wilfrid Prest of the University of Adelaide (the world’s leading expert on Blackstone) and Rare Book Librarian Mike Widener, the exhibition contained 48 original items from the library’s outstanding William Blackstone Collection, illustrating the origins and legacy of the most influential book in the history of Anglo-American law. First stop (September-November) was the library of the Middle Temple, the Inn of Court to which Blackstone himself belonged. On November 18, the very date 250 years earlier when Blackstone’s *Commentaries on the Laws of England* was published, the law library co-sponsored a reception with the Middle Temple in London, with Mr. Widener representing the law library.

In December, the exhibition departed on a four-month run at the University of Adelaide’s law library. It was a featured attraction at the 34th Annual Conference of the Australia and New Zealand Law and History Society. The fall semester exhibition was *The Pope’s Other Jobs: Judge and Lawgiver* (September 8–December 15), a collaboration between Mr. Widener and Anders Winroth, Yale’s Forst Family Professor of History and a leading authority on medieval canon law. The exhibition drew on the law library’s outstanding canon law collection to illustrate the pope’s legal responsibilities throughout history. By a fortuitous coincidence, the exhibition coincided with the visit by Pope Francis to the U.S. On November 10, Prof. Winroth gave a well-attended talk on the exhibition.

Free Tom Mooney! The Yale Law Library’s Tom Mooney Collection was the next exhibition (February 1–June 11), marking the centennial of the false conviction of labor organizer Tom Mooney for murder, and the 22-year campaign for his exoneration. The exhibition showcased the law library’s collection of over 150 books, court briefs, pamphlets, and ephemeral items on the Mooney case. Mr. Widener invited Lorne Bair and Hélène Golay of Lorne Bair Rare Books to co-curate the exhibition. Mr. Bair gave an excellent public talk on March 24: *A Martyr to the Cause: The Mooney Trial, the Communist Party, and the Pleasures of Propaganda.*

To make these exhibits accessible around the world, catalogs were published digitally via the law library’s eYLS portal. A catalog for the 2015 exhibition *Murder and Women in Nineteenth-Century America: Trial Accounts in the Yale Law Library* was published in both print and digital formats.

The exhibitions garnered a good deal of media coverage. *The Yale Daily News* featured The Pope’s Other Jobs in its September 16 issue. The exhibition catalogs for *250 Years of Blackstone’s Commentaries* and *Murder and Women in Nineteenth-Century America* received favorable mention in the Spring 2016 issue of *The Book Collector*, the world’s leading journal for bibliophiles. An essay on the *New Yorker* magazine website on June 22, *The Indispensable Guide to Early American Murder*, mentioned the Murder and Women exhibition and published several images from it.


RARE BOOKS IN THE CLASSROOM

The Rare Book Collection actively supported Yale’s teaching mission. Professor Anders Winroth’s graduate history seminar, Law in
Medieval Europe, met weekly in the Paskus-Danziger Reading Room, using the collection as its laboratory. There were three Yale Law School class sessions: Advanced Legal Research (February 15, 16) and Research in American Legal History (March 30). Other classes were Mr. Widener’s Rare Book School course, Law Books: History and Connoisseurship (June 6–7), and a Yale for Life course, World Order and the Meaning of History (June 20). The highlight was a one-hour class, The Literature of Anglo-American Trials, which Mr. Widener taught to 48 Yale Young Global Scholars in four sessions (June 22–23), where each student reported on a trial pamphlet from the collection.

TOURS
It was an extremely busy year for tours, with total attendance of 850. In addition to the tours for entering LLM students (August 25), transfer students (August 27) and first-year JD students (August 31), there were tours for the Yale Summer Law Seminar (July 1, June 30), Yale’s Family Weekend (September 25), a delegation from Warsaw University (October 5), Yale Law School’s Alumni Weekend (October 23–24), New Haven middle school students brought by the Black Law Students Association (October 21), Yale Law School’s Alumni Weekend (October 28), the Episcopal Service Corps from New Haven’s Christ Church (December 11), Linkages students from South America (January 27), a Black History Month open house co-sponsored with the Black Law Students Association (February 10), Yale Law School staff (March 10–11), admitted student tours (April 14–15), the Connecticut Coordinating Committee for the Promotion of History (May 13), and students from Hamden’s Sacred Heart Academy and St. Louis’s Cor Jesu Academy (June 16).

BUILDING THE COLLECTION
This year’s most significant and unique acquisitions included:
Laurea della signora M. Pellegrina Amoretti cittadina d’Oneglia (Pavia, 1777), commemorating perhaps the earliest known law degree granted to a woman, a doctorate of law awarded to Maria Pellegrina Amoretti (1756–1787) by the University of Pavia.

Litigation documents from two land title disputes between Spaniards and Native Americans near Mexico City, from the 16th and 18th centuries, both with hand-drawn maps.

A collection of 21 volumes on the Spanish constitutions of 1812 and 1837.

From the collection of Anthony Tausig, a set of 13 rare Year Books containing cases from the reigns of Richard III to Henry VIII, all of them the only copies in North America.

Over a hundred items relating to the Tom Mooney case, including court briefs, a book by Upton Sinclair, a pamphlet by Theodore Dreiser, and fundraising ephemera.

Forty-two (42) titles for the Italian Statutes Collection, including 17th-century manuscripts for Florence and Mantua, and four printed volumes which are the only North American copies.

Four illustrated law books: the 1555 French and 1562 Latin editions of Damhoudere’s Praxis rerum criminalium, as well as a stunning 1710 broadside of an Inquisition trial in Brescia (the only known copy), with an enormous woodcut of the trial.

For the Blackstone Collection, a subscriber’s copy of the first American edition of Blackstone’s Commentaries (1771–72), and a manuscript order to show cause (1773), signed by Blackstone.

Two loyal donors continued to enrich the collection. Lois Montbertrand ’85 donated dozens of items on the history of the French legal profession, especially on the entry of women into the profession. Professor William E. Butler (Pennsylvania State University) donated an illustrated Russian translation of the Code Napoleon (2013), the latest of many such gifts from him.

CATALOGING
Rare Book Cataloger Susan Karpuk completed a number of major projects this year that improve access to the collection:

Ms. Karpuk reclassified all volumes in the rare book stacks into a fixed-order system, saving shelving space. In the process, hundreds of older catalog records were cleaned up.

Cataloging improvements included:

- A set of over 30 genre terms was compiled and added to catalog records (terms such as armorial bindings, legal forms, postcards, etc.), in addition to a set of over 60 local headings for law book illustrations developed by the rare book librarian.

- All 158 incunable titles were reported to the Incunabula Short Title Catalogue. All of our 163 printed Year Book case reports were reported to the English Short Title Catalogue.

- Citations to the two major Blackstone bibliographies — Catherine Spicer Eller’s Bibliographical Catalog of William Blackstone in the Yale Law Library (1938) and Ann Jordan Laechl’s Bibliographical Catalog of William Blackstone (2015) — were added to catalog records for the Blackstone Collection.

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- A set of over 30 genre terms was compiled and added to catalog records (terms such as armorial bindings, legal forms, postcards, etc.), in addition to a set of over 60 local headings for law book illustrations developed by the rare book librarian.

- All 158 incunable titles were reported to the Incunabula Short Title Catalogue. All of our 163 printed Year Book case reports were reported to the English Short Title Catalogue.

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PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Mike Widener, Rare Book Librarian, was a panelist for a session on Secrets of the Archives: Why We Preserve Documents in the Digital Age at the conference, “From Runnymede to Philadelphia to Cyberspace: The Enduring Legacy of Magna Carta,” Sept. 17 at Brooklyn Law School. In January, he was appointed to the Yale University Library’s Special Collections Steering Committee. Mr. Widener spoke about the Rare Book Collection to the Connecticut Coordinating Committee for the Promotion of History, May 13, at the New Haven Historical Society. Mr. Widener taught his course Law Books: History and Connoisseurship for the fifth time June 5–10 at Yale Law School. The course is offered by the Rare Book School at University of Virginia, that supports the study of the history of books and printing.

PUBLICATIONS CITING RARE BOOK COLLECTION SOURCES


AWARDS

The Yale Law Library’s Trivia Team beat the Yale Law School student team for the sixth straight year. The law librarians are undefeated in this long-running, friendly rivalry. From left: Jason Eiseman, Ryan Harrington, Cate Kellett, Fred Shapiro, Drew Adan.

Blair Kauffman
Blair Kauffman was honored at this year’s American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) association luncheon during the Annual Meeting in Chicago. He was given the AALL Marian Gould Gallagher Distinguished Service Award and was inducted into AALL’s Hall of Fame. At his retirement party in May, colleague Tracy Thompson ’97 presented Blair with the Leadership and Service Award from the New England Law Libraries Consortium (NELLCO).

Ryan Harrington
The American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) awarded Ryan Harrington the AALL/LexisNexis Call for Papers Award for his scholarly article, Understanding the ‘Other’ International Agreements, forthcoming in Law Library Journal.

Evelyn Ma
The Foreign, Comparative and International Law Special Interest Section of the AALL awarded Evelyn Ma The Spirit of the FCIL-SIS award at the 2016 Annual Meeting of the AALL. Ms. Ma has been active in the FCIL-SIS for over a decade. Her service includes chairing the Asian Law Interest Group and presenting reports on various aspects of Asian Law research and collections.

Mike Widener and Mark Weiner YLS ’00
Putting Together a Book Exhibit, a video teaser for the 2017 exhibition in New York City, won the Best Video prize in the American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) “Day in the Life” contest. The annual competition recognizes photos and videos that capture the spirit of law librarianship. The video can be found here: http://library.law.yale.edu/news/we-won-prize.

SERVICE AWARDS

Several members of the Law Library celebrated milestones with Yale this year. Below are our colleagues celebrating anniversaries of 5, 10, 15, or 20 years of service to the university in 2016.

- Julian Aiken: 5 Years
- Cate Kellett: 5 Years
- Caitlyn Lam: 5 Years
- Michael VanderHeijden: 5 Years
- Benjamin Bernard: 10 Years
- Teresa Miguel-Stearns: 10 Years
- Cesar Zapata: 15 Years
- Diana Quinones: 15 Years
- Antonioluis Malabag: 15 Years
- Pamela Clifford: 20 Years

Prof. Kauffman with Tracy Thompson at his retirement party.
Mr. Harrington receiving his award in Philadelphia from AALL President Holly Riccio.
In March, the Yale Law School celebrates Wellness Month, creating an opportunity for the YLS community to focus on its mental, physical, and emotional health and wellbeing. Traditionally, the law library has participated in these endeavors by highlighting materials in our collection in a book display focused on stress-relief, mindfulness, finding balance, and creating happiness.

**MAKING SPACE FOR WELLNESS**

In addition to multiple book displays, this year the law library took a more hands-on approach to our community’s wellness needs by creating stress-relief spaces. These pop-up spaces, conceived and implemented by Jordan Jefferson, were themed around different creative outlets such as building, crafting, coloring, and playing games. Each space’s unique contents corresponded with the theme of the space. The “build” spaces contained Lego architecture sets, including the White House and the United Nations, as well as traditional Lego blocks allowing the users to build what their imagination desired. The “game” spaces included multiple 750 and 1000-piece puzzles and a checkers board. The “craft” spaces included soft crafts, such as sewing plush animals, and small looms for making potholders. Finally, in the “color” spaces, we provided a number of coloring books and colored pencils to allow the user’s inner artist to shine. These spaces were placed throughout the high-traffic areas of the library. Students, staff, and faculty members were encouraged to take a break from the rigors of law school life and decompress, whether for just a minute to color or for an hour to build a scale model of the Louvre.

The reaction to the spaces was overwhelmingly positive. Students loved the spaces, stating, “First of all, everyone who was involved with me now having 1) Legos 2) Adult Coloring Books and 3) Jigsaw Puzzle Stations in the library is a saint, whose reward will be both in this life and in heaven” and “Hasta ahora he visto los espacios de L2 y L3. Tengo dos palabras: LO MÁXIMO!” (translation: “At this point, I’ve seen the spaces on L2 and L3. I have two words: The Best!”

**THERAPY DOGS**

Since 2011, the library has been ‘circulating’ Monty, a therapy dog, as part of our collection. Making a therapy dog available to our students proved to be a hugely positive addition to services offered by the library. It is well documented that visits from therapy dogs have resulted in increased happiness, calmness, and overall emotional well-being. In addition to his stress-reducing abilities, Monty represented a statement of intent by the library: that it was serious about meeting the interests and needs of its patrons. The provision of a therapy dog was seen as a natural extension of the library’s innovative and positive approach to its patrons, and created another avenue for librarians to interact directly with students, solidifying traditional librarian roles while providing a pioneering service which students embraced as invaluable.

2015 saw the retirement of Monty, who finally hung up his collar after years of faithful service to our students. We were very sad to see him go. Monty 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 NPR, and was,
on one day, the most emailed story in the New York Times. Monty will be sorely missed by us all. But while Monty can never be replaced, our library has welcomed a new therapy dog to continue his work: Jozy. This delightful dog has already developed close friendships with many of our students, and we look forward to working with him for years to come, as he helps to make our library the sort of warm, happy, convivial environment our students so love to visit.

MOVIE NIGHT @ YLS

Yale Law School’s popular film series, Movie Night @ YLS, was founded in 2005 by the law library and has been co-produced with the Yale Law School Graduate Programs since 2006. Every semester, several international LL.M. and/or J.S.D. students select a movie from his or her home country to be screened as part of the film series. Before the screenings, the students present relevant background information, and afterward, lead discussions alongside Yale Law School instructors.

Fall 2015

October 1, 2015  
Presumed Guilty  
Presenters: Eugenio Gomez Chico Barbara (LLM ’16) & Mariana Velasco Rivera (JSD)

October 22, 2015  
Court (India)  
Presenters: Raeesa Vakil (LLM ’16) & Ashish Mitter (LLM ’16)

Spring 2016

February 4, 2016  
Pussy Riots (Russia)  
Presenter: Ashken Kazaryan (LLM ’16)

March 31, 2016  
On the Job (Philippines)  
Presenters: Johanna Lorenzo (LLM ’16) and Bo Tiojanco (JSD)
Julian Aiken  

**Style and Content: An Anthology of Outstanding Yale Law School Student Stories**, (Editor, Lillian Goldman Law Library 2016).

Jason Eiseman  

Anna Franz  
Yale Law Library Rare Books Blog (1 posting).

Ryan Harrington  


Jordan Jefferson  

Cate Kellett  
*Instilling a Service Focus in Student Workers*, in Mou Chakraborty (ed.) STELLAR CUSTOMER SERVICE: TRAINING LIBRARY STAFF TO EXCEED EXPECTATIONS (Libraries Unlimited 2016), with Mike VanderHeijden (forthcoming).


*Perspectives on Digital Humanities Scholarship*, SALALM LX Rapporteur Reports (2015).

*Silver of a Full Moon Reading at Yale*, NPLC Newsletter 6 (2015).


Julie Graves Krishnaswami  


*Oxford English Dictionary* (consultant on legal terms and contributor).

You Can Quote Them (regular column), Yale Alumni Magazine.

Michael VanderHeijden  
*Instilling a Service Focus in Student Workers*, in Mou Chakraborty (ed.) STELLAR CUSTOMER SERVICE: TRAINING LIBRARY STAFF TO EXCEED EXPECTATIONS (Libraries Unlimited 2016), with Jordan Jefferson (forthcoming).

Mike Widener  

Yale Law Library Rare Books Blog (17 postings).
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
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