

DOT Law Library Newsletter

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Library News

Staffing

Phyllis Bell has been selected as the DOT Library Program Manager. Previously, Mrs. Bell was Chief, Technical Services at the DOT Library since arriving in August 2002. She has also served as Library Director for several different Air Force libraries/information centers.

On April 19, 2004, Ms. Margaret Wood started at the USCG HQ Transpoint Law Library as the contract law librarian. Ms. Wood has extensive experience in legal research and cataloging of law materials. Most recently she worked at Shea and Gardner here in Washington, D.C.

Surplus Materials Room

In preparation for the move to the new DOT Headquarters Building, the DOT Library is getting rid of

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Selected Law Library Acquisitions

Headquarters:

Automobile Design Liability, 3d / R. M. Goodman, Center for Auto Safety. Deerfield, IL: Clark Boardman Callaghan. [LAW KF 1297.G6 A8]

Defense of Equal Employment Claims / J. F. Buckley, M. R. Lindsay. Colorado Springs: Shepard's McGraw Hill. [LAW KF 8925.D5 D532]

Federal Administrative Dispute Resolution Deskbook (2001). M. J. Breger, G. S. Schatz, D. Schick Laufer, (Eds.). Chicago: American Bar Association. [LAW KF 9084 .F39]

Federal Contract Management: A Manual for the Contract Professional. N.A. Steiger (Ed.). New York: Matthew Bender. [LAW KF849 .F36]

Handbook of Federal Civil Discovery and Disclosure (2002). J. E. Grenig, J. S. Kinsler. St. Paul, MN: West Group [LAW KF 8900 .G75]

How to Review a Federal Contract:: Understanding and Researching Government Solicitations and Contracts (2000). J. F. Nagle. Chicago: American Bar Association. [LAW KF 849 .N273]

Impact of the Americans with Disabilities Act on transit operations (2003). C. B. Witherspoon, D. S. Galchus, S. Keller. Washington DC: Transportation Research Board. [LAW KF 5524 .S441 no. 19]

NEPA Law and Litigation. D.R. Mandelker. Deerfield, IL: Clark Boardman Callaghan. [LAW KF 3775 .M372]

O'Connor's Federal Rules, Civil Trials: Practice Guide & Annotated Federal Rules of Civil Procedure & Evidence (2003). M.C. Smith. Houston: Jones McClure Pub. [LAW KF 8816.A2]

Selected Studies in Transportation Law. Vol. 3, Environmental Law and Transportation [electronic resource] / B.W. Blaesser, D.R. Mandelker, M. S. Giaimo, J.B. McDaniel (Ed.). [Stand alone PC]

Selected Studies in Transportation Law. Vol. 6, Transit Labor 13(c) Decisions. L. W. Thomas ; J. B. McDaniel (Ed.). [Stand alone PC]

Coast Guard:

Fiscal Year 2003 Annual Performance Plan. Washington DC: Department of Homeland Security, Office of Inspector General. [KF 7685.A15 U55]

Semiannual Report to the Congress (2003). Washington DC: Department of Homeland Security, Office of Inspector General. [KF 7685.A15 U55b1]

Research and Reference Corner



Historic Federal Register Online

Anyone who has done research in federal regulatory history knows the frustration of using brittle paper volumes or sheets of microfiche. Until recently, the only options for online research were Westlaw and Lexis, which do not provide coverage prior to 1980 and GPO Access, which does not provide coverage prior to 1994. Furthermore, these sources do not adequately reproduce charts, tables and diagrams from the original text.

The DOT Library has acquired a subscription to the Federal Register online through Hein Online. Date coverage begins with Volume 1 (1936) and goes to Volume 46 (1981). Hein Online provides full text PDF images of original Federal Register pages. Annual indexes are included as well. The database can be searched by word and phrase and results can be printed from your desktop.

The Federal Register online is available through the DOT Library's homepage:

- Go to <http://dotlibrary.dot.gov>
- Click on RIDER databases
- Click on Research and Reference databases
- Click on Federal Register – Hein Online

Real Time Transportation News

Real Information in Real Time! Dialog NewsEdge pulls together vital information on the transportation industries you monitor each day. Utilizing the world's premier news and information sources, it helps you answer questions regarding the who, what, where, when and why of any issue.

The DOT Library's subscription to News Edge includes topics related to the automotive industry, North

American railroads, ports and harbors, trucking, aviation and regulation.

To access:

- Go to: <http://dotlibrary.dot.gov/>
- Click on Real Time Transportation News

Website to Watch



Office of the Law Revision Counsel

<http://uscode.house.gov/>

The Office of the Law Revision Counsel of the U.S. House of Representatives prepares and publishes the United States Code pursuant to section 285b of title 2 of the Code. This website (<http://uscode.house.gov>) allows for flexible searching and downloading of the U.S. Code. In addition, the website provides classification tables which show where recently enacted laws will appear in the Code and which sections of the Code have been amended by those laws.

The Office is also responsible for positive law codification of the laws of the U.S. Some Code titles were passed by Congress in "codified" form, making those titles "positive (official) law". Other titles, however, were not enacted in codified form. Such titles are "non-positive" law, or merely "presumptively" official when codified. This requires citing to the positive law (United States Statutes at Large) when looking for the official law. Because many of the general and permanent laws that are required to be incorporated into the United States Code are inconsistent, redundant, and obsolete, the Office of the Law Revision Counsel of the House of Representatives has been engaged in a continuing comprehensive project authorized by law to revise and codify, for enactment into positive law, each title of the Code. When the Office's project is completed, all titles of the Code will be legal evidence of the general and permanent laws, and use of the United States Statutes at Large for this purpose will no longer be necessary.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS – WESTLAW TRAINING

BASIC SEARCHING ON WESTLAW.COM

DATE: APRIL 20, 2004 **THIS SESSION IS FULL.**

PLACE: ROOM 4236 NASSIF BUILDING

TIME: 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

THIS SESSION IS OFFERED FOR CLE CREDIT.

ADVANCED SEARCHING ON WESTLAW.COM

DATE: MAY 18, 2004 **THIS SESSION IS FULL.**

PLACE: ROOM 4236 NASSIF BUILDING

TIME: 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

THIS SESSION IS OFFERED FOR CLE CREDIT.

WEST KEY SYSTEM ON WESTLAW.COM

DATE: JUNE 15, 2004

PLACE: ROOM 4236 NASSIF BUILDING

TIME: 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

SECONDARY LEGAL SOURCES ON WESTLAW.COM

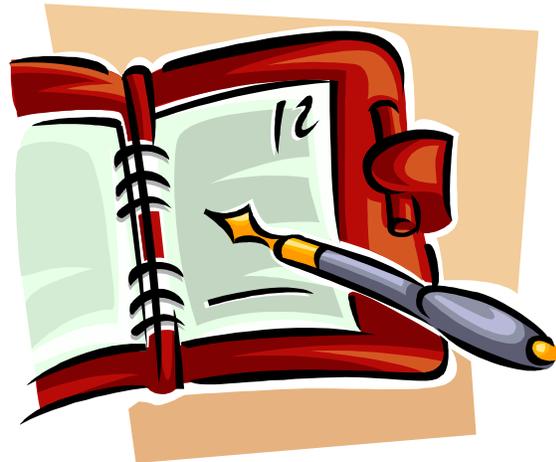
DATE: JULY 20, 2004

PLACE: ROOM 4236 NASSIF BUILDING

TIME: 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

DOT Library Training Updates

The DOT Library Training Updates newsletter gives information on new online resources available through the library's website or on DOT-wide contracts, as well as research tips for these databases. This newsletter is now available on the library website under "DOT Law Libraries~DOT Library Training Updates".



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Library News: **Surplus Materials Room**

materials which have been deemed as non-essential. These materials are currently available for free on a first-come first serve basis in the Library's Surplus Materials Room. For more information, please stop by the Library in Room 2200 or call 202-366-0745.

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Website to Watch: **Office of the Law Revision Counsel**

Of particular interest to DOT users is the Office's current codification project: Title 46 "Shipping". This is a joint project of the Office of the Law Revision Counsel of the House of Representatives and the U.S. Department of Transportation.

Locations, Hours and Contacts

DOT Law Libraries

Hours: 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM Monday – Friday

DOT Headquarters Law Library

Room 2200, Nassif Building

(202) 366-0749

Staff:

Linda Cullen

Rosalind Romain

U.S. Coast Guard Law Library

Room B726, U.S. Coast Guard

Headquarters (Transpoint) Building

(202) 267-2536

Staff:

Margaret Wood