Welcome...

to Winter! How about a visit to the Law Library for some comfort reading! Check out our ours of opening at: http://www.lib.uwo.ca/hours/law/

Collections Corner

Earlier editions of the Newsletter have introduced new legal databases. Let’s take a look at some of these in more detail now. This issue spotlights Wolters Kluwer's International Encyclopaedia of Laws

Law Library Spotlight

The Law Library will be involved in some house-cleaning activities in the months ahead. Find out what we will be up to! We would also like to welcome a new staff member to the Law Library.

Research Guide Highlight

Here is where we highlight one of our many legal subject guides. Each guide provides links to popular books, databases, websites and other information.

CIVIL PRACTICE & PROCEDURE
Collections Corner: Database Information

The International Encyclopaedia of Laws (IELs) is, in print, a collection of looseleaf titles, each covering a specific area of law. With the IELs now available online, content is more current and can be fully searched more easily. The titles are encyclopedic in nature, breaking down the area of law within a country-by-country review. The titles supplement the national coverage with international or comparative content. Each title is written by prominent legal practitioners who provide valuable insights into their area of interest. Each title follows a uniform structure and includes:
A detailed historical background, an introduction to the legal framework, and in-depth analysis of the relevant legislation.

Each legal topic included in the IEL series will include approximately 50 national or "country" monographs of about 200-250 pages each.

The Law Library currently subscribes to the following online IEL titles:

Civil Procedure
Contract Law
Criminal Law
Environmental Law
Labour Law
Tort Law

Countries currently included:
Argentina, Australia, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Denmark, Greece, India, Italy, Japan, The Netherlands, Nigeria, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Serbia, Slovenia, South Korea, Spain, United Kingdom, United States, Zimbabwe.

How to Find the IEL Titles:

In the library catalogue search title=International Encyclopaedia of Laws (note the “ae”)

From the results list you will find the print looseleaf titles we have in the library, the online versions, and also some individual “country” monographs, which have also been published separately over the years by Kluwer. Once you connect to one of the online titles, you can also access the other titles that we subscribe to from the IEL Online site. If we do not subscribe to a listed title, you will see the little icon.

Other IEL Information

Newsletter
http://www.ielaws.com/newsletter.htm
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coming to your library.... BOOK WEEDING

Remember warm summer days when you just can’t wait to get out into the garden and weed? Weeding connotes removing the undesirables - that which makes our garden look shabby but it also means removing some plants to make room for others or to remove plants that can be harmful to the garden. Weeding a library collection is a bit like that - and we do it year-round.

In the months to come you may notice library staff poking around more than usual in the monographs collection on the Upper Stacks floor. In order to make room in very tight areas and for new books coming in, we will be removing some duplicate copies of books and disposing of them, while also removing some under-used books and sending them to storage.

The Collections Librarian is able to use the library management system, which is basically a database of all book titles, their call numbers, their usage, locations plus many other details, to produce lists of titles, which can be disposed of or moved to offsite storage. However, weeding the collection also involves much “eyeballing” since it is seldom good practice to leave all the decision-making to the results of a computer search.

Books will be pulled regularly from the shelves and moved to a work-room area where they will be processed for disposal or removal to storage. Rebecca and Edith will be handling the processing. They are pretty quick so there should not be much wait time for a book that has been removed from the shelf to have its status changed in the catalogue.

NEW STAFF MEMBER

We are pleased to announce that Rebecca Northcott has joined our library staff as a full time library assistant - sessional (September to April).

A native of Toronto, Rebecca holds a Bachelor of Arts from Acadia University where she majored in history. In addition, she earned a Master of Information Studies at the University of Toronto, graduating in 2010. Before moving to the Law Library she was a library assistant at the Allyn & Betty Taylor Library. Rebecca has also held positions in the private sector, as a client success manager with DisclosureNet in Toronto, developing training materials and with Sun Life Financial in Waterloo as a records analyst. Rebecca will be bolstering the service desk staff at the Law Library and working on inventory control projects with Collections Librarian Elizabeth Bruton. She will also be spearheading the library’s foray into the social media arena.

In her spare time Rebecca enjoys playing with her bulldog, reading and fishing.

Rebecca replaces Roberta McClelland who resigned last year to pursue university studies full time.

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Research Guides Spotlight

Civil Practice & Procedure

O’Brien’s Encyclopedia of Forms
KE192.O274

All divisions except for Conveyancing and Mortgages are available online from Canada Law Book.

JOURNAL ARTICLES

The Advocate
K1.D86
The Advocate is published six times annually by the Vancouver Bar Association. Subscribers include all members of the legal profession in British Columbia, the judiciary, and many private and institutional subscribers (including courthouse and law school libraries) across Canada and abroad.

The Advocate publishes articles dealing with substantive law and procedural subjects of interest to practising lawyers, together with other columns and material of general interest to those who practise law or otherwise serve or are linked in some way to the legal profession.

Advocates’ Quarterly: A Canadian Journal for Practitioners of Civil Litigation
K1.D87
This periodical covers diverse aspects of civil litigation including issues that arise in proceedings before administrative boards and tribunals. It includes practice and procedure notes; articles and; case comments of recent and significant judgments. Current and back issues available in paper in the Law Library. Available online via HeinOnline (with 3-year embargo).

DATABASES

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LAW REPORTS & TREATISES

Goldsmith’s Damages for Personal Injury and Death
KE1237 .A54 G64
Damages for Personal Injury and Death provides the most comprehensive and up-to-date collection of court decisions in which damages for personal injury or death have been awarded. It keeps subscribers abreast of the latest quantum of damages judgments and provides a wealth of cases upon which the researcher may draw.

The two components of Goldsmith - the Digest Service and the Consolidated Tables of Damages - work together to achieve the paramount objectives of currency and comprehensiveness. The Digest Service is supplemented with digests of the most recent cases from all Canadian jurisdictions.

Halsbury’s Laws of Canada
KE180.H346 C585 2012
For over 100 years, Halsbury’s has been recognized as the premier legal reference in the world of common law. Halsbury’s Laws of Canada continues in the tradition, delivering an authoritative, reliable and elegant statement of Canadian law.

Civil Procedure. Contributed by Linda S. Abrams, Kevin P. McGuinness, Jay Brecher
This volume, organized on a topical basis, outlines the framework for litigation in civil courts across Canada. Topics covered include: jurisdictional issues; pleadings; motions in a proceeding; discovery; trials; costs; and appeals.

Revised research guides such as the full guide for Civil Practice & Procedure can be found at: http://www.law.uwo.ca/lab/guides.htm