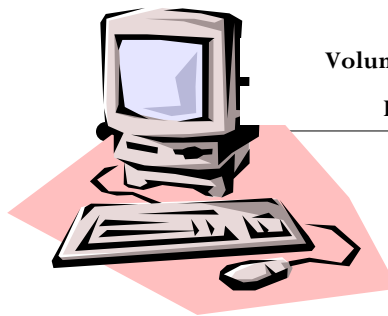




NOTES FROM THE UNDERGROUND

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STUDY ANNEX A GREAT SUCCESS!

The Law Library Study Annex is located on the 5th floor of the 62 1st Street building, just around the corner from the main campus on Mission Street. This space has been provided and redesigned to provide overflow capacity for the Law Library and includes quiet study space, group study space and computer kiosks for GGU School of Law students. GGU ID is mandatory for entrance at the door of the building. The Annex is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 A.M. until 6:00 P.M. and is staffed by a Reference Librarian and a Computer Lab Assistant.

The idea for a Study Annex began during consideration

of the Law Library expansion plan. Everyone involved in the expansion plan expects some level of disruption during the next few years, and seating is already short in the Main Law Library. During renovation, students who habitually study in the Law Library will need quiet study space for a month or two while installation progresses.

Since its opening, the Study Annex has seen a steady flow of students interested in a quiet, comfortable atmosphere for law study. Both food and drink are allowed except near the 10 computer terminals. Printing is available through the lab

computers, as well as at dedicated Lexis and Westlaw printers. A copy machine is also available, using the same copy card as other copy machines in the Law Library. The annex offers two group study rooms that are used with increasing frequency, especially around exam time. Staff are available for reference questions or computer technical questions during each day. There are comfortable seating areas as well as work kiosks for individualized study sessions. Every suggestion for personal comfort has been addressed, and staff continue to welcome comments and suggestions.

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SECURITY IN THE LAW LIBRARY

In response to the increased number of thefts of unattended wallets and laptops in the Law Library, we've temporarily posted a security guard at the front entrance. Everyone entering the Law Library on evenings and weekends (even us!) will need to show your GGU I.D., so please have yours available to show the guard as you enter our facility.

The hours for the Security Guard are Sunday through Thursday, 4:30-10:30 pm, Friday, 4-9 pm, and Saturday, 2-7 pm.

Also, we're working on getting a security gate installed at the front entrance so that everyone entering the Law Library will need to swipe their GGU I.D. to enter. We hope the system will be in place within the next few months. Meanwhile, please show your GGU I.D. every time you enter the Law Library. A few weeks ago, a new student assistant asked Dean White for an I.D., and he was happy to show it! We truly appreciate everyone's cooperation.

NEW ACQUISITIONS

Listings of New Acquisitions are found on our web site at:

<http://www.ggu.edu/lawlibrary/new/newacquisitions>. Here are some of the recent highlights both in print and online:

The Federal Courts Law Review, a publication of the Federal Magistrate Judges Association. This is an online journal.

We have access to the following online reports from the EPA: Enforcement Alert, Superfund Today, Cleanup News, and WasteWise Update.

Customs Bulletins and Decisions, U.S. Customs Service, online.

In response to a request from the Student Body Association, we have added two copies from each of the following series for required law classes: Lexis Understanding Series, Emanuel Law Outlines, Gilberts Law Summaries. These are kept in Closed Reserve and students may check them out for two hours.

Directory of Manuscript Collections Related to Federal Judges, 1787-1997. This online resource is provided by the GPO.

Comprehensive report of the Special Advisor to the DCI on Iraq's WMD (The Duelfer Report), online. The GPO will distribute this report in paper as well.

Report of the Department of Justice's Task Force on Intellectual Property, Office of the Attorney General, online.

Monitoring Sweatshops: workers, consumers, and the global apparel industry. Roger Haydock, et al., Thomson West, 2004.

The Amicus Brief: how to be a good friend of the court. Reagan W. Simpson, et al. ABA, 2004.

Your Right to Federal Records, U.S.

Dept. of Justice, 2004, online.

Foreign Relations of the United States. Our collection of this series has been enhanced by the addition on online access courtesy of the University of Wisconsin, and the donation of back issues dating from the late 1800s, courtesy of our own GGU University Library.



Tracking the dragon national intelligence estimates on China during the era of Mao, 1948-1976, from the GPO.

Equal justice in the balance: America's legal responses to the emerging terrorist threat by Raneta Lawson Mack & Michael J. Kelly.

International law review, Loyola University Chicago School of Law,

Singapore journal of legal studies, online.

The journal of small and emerging business law, online. Northwestern School of Law of Lewis & Clark College.

America on trial : inside the legal battles that transformed our nation by Alan M. Dershowitz.

FOR THOSE WHO NEED TO LOG SOME MCLE CREDITS, WE HAVE SEVERAL NEW 2004 CEB PROGRAMS:

CACI: California's New Civil Jury Instructions.

Strategic Tips for Successfully Propounding & Opposing Written Discovery.

Death, Debts & Taxes: Creditor's Claims Against A Decedent.

Avoiding Malpractice in the Representation Process.

Punitive Damages: maximizing your client's success or minimizing your client's exposure.

Representing the Incapacitated Client: Ethical and malpractice traps.

Ballon on Internet and IP Law: Trends and litigation strategies.

WE HAVE ADDED ONLINE ACCESS TO THE FOLLOWING TITLES ALREADY IN OUR COLLECTION:

A Primer on the Civil-Law System, Federal Judicial Center.

Annual Report of the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center, Dept. of the Treasury.

Comparison of State Unemployment Insurance Laws, U.S. Dept. of Labor.

Federal Probation, a journal from the U.S. Dept. of Justice.

Prosecuting Intellectual Property Crimes Manual, U.S. Dept. of Justice, Computer Crime and Intellectual Property Section.

The Federal Death Penalty System, a statistical survey (1988-2000), U.S. Dept. of Justice.

Listings of recent acquisitions are found on our web site at:

<http://www.ggu.edu/lawlibrary/>

Ryun Lee and his **Technical Services staff** continue their retrospective cataloging of our sets of CIS Legislative History Service microfiche. This project will take at least a year to complete, and will add each individual Congressional hearing or report title to our OPAC.

WEB PAGE & TECHNICAL UPDATES

Our **WEB PAGE** has been updated with the addition of links to sites which help students study for the Bar Exam. Please see: <http://www.ggu.edu/lawlibrary/studentstudyaids/barexam>.

LAW STUDENT PASSWORD PERMISSIBLE USE AND ACCESS CATEGORIES

In order to better meet the needs of students, Westlaw is extending permissible law student password use to these two categories effective immediately:

1. To unpaid, public interest externships/internships not including state or local government

and courts; and

2. To pro bono and public service program activity that is required for graduation

Both categories are permissible uses on a year-round basis. During the summer, #1 (unpaid, public interest) will be a valid category for summer password extension.

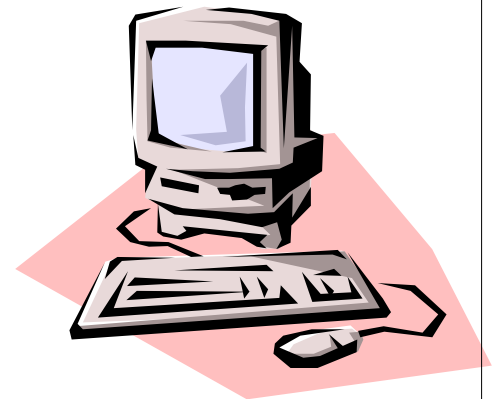
GARY'S CORNER

The Law Library is proud to present this series of book reviews by **Gary E. Kemp**, Continuations Assistant. Gary has published short stories in *Soaring* and *Spectrum* magazines and appeared in the anthology, *New Voices in Fiction and Non-Fiction*. Gary will be reviewing a series of books from our Law & Literature collection.

A Lesson Before Dying by Ernest Gaines

A Lesson Before Dying is the story of two men, a black plantation school teacher and a black prisoner awaiting execution. Taking place in Bayonne, La. in 1948, the book uses major issues of race and identity to discuss what makes a man a man. The book begins with Jefferson being sentenced to death for being in the wrong place at the wrong time. Jefferson's god-mother convinces the local school teacher, Grant Wiggins, to speak to Jefferson. "I don't want them to kill no hog". she said. "I want a man to go to that chair on his own two feet."

And so Grant's jail-house visits to an initially un-cooperative Jefferson begins. Grant meanwhile is trapped in his own prison, that of segregation, a married girlfriend, Vivian, and a southern society that directs him to the backdoor of a white man's house rather than the front. A society where he is routinely ignored and pointedly excluded. Grant suffers a quiet desperation until his visits with Jefferson assume their true meaning in the lessons of pride and dignity. This is a powerful book. What could have been a clichéd pot-boiler about the indignities of segregation turns this legalistic novel into an explanation of what it means to be human. As Grant and Jefferson are both granted insight and a secular salvation, with this book we can all read on and applaud.



FACULTY PUBLICATIONS

The Law Library maintains a listing of Faculty Publications, available at http://internet.ggu.edu/law_library/facpubs.html. New publications are culled from GGU announcements and from the Faculty Notes in *Class Action*. Please check the list and if you would like to add or update your listing, please send an email to Janet Fischer at jfischer@ggu.edu.

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Don't forget to check out our new web page, part of the GGU web redesign project. Our new URL is below:

<http://www.ggu.edu/lawlibrary>

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Staff Activities...

Acquisitions/Government Documents Librarian **Janet Fischer** attended the Federal Depository Library Conference in Washington DC in October.

Marisa Diehl, our new Evening and Weekend Reference Librarian, just passed the bar! Congratulations, Marisa!

Several Reference Librarians attended the **NOCALL workshop** on December 8 at the California Judicial Center Library to hear the Hon. James J. Marchiano speak on "Striving For Justice: The 100th Anniversary of the California Court of Appeal, 2005."

Steven Feller attended a BayNet and SLA event: Update Your Web Research Skills with Mary Ellen Bates, on November 12. The three hour program was designed to hone web research skills, introduced new search techniques and tools, and presented new ways to approach online and web research.

Law Library Labs...

Technical support for laptops is available during the following library hours:

Mon.-Weds.— 9:30 am – 10:30 pm
Thurs. – 9:30 – 5:30 pm & 7 – 10:30 pm
Friday – 9:30 am – 6:30 pm
Saturday & Sunday—1-6 pm

Student laptop support is given on a first come-first served basis. In order to receive technical support, students must have purchased and installed antivirus software on their laptop. Library lab computer techs have limited resources available for troubleshooting laptop problems, so providing assistance in setting up the laptop for the library's wireless or Ethernet network and virus removal help are their priorities.

We have useful handouts available in the library labs, including how to set up your laptop for the wireless network, protect against viruses, or enroll in Lexis-Nexis web courses.

For more information please contact Hadi Amjadi at (415) 442-6686 or email him at hamjadi@ggu.edu.

LAW LIBRARY HOLIDAY HOURS

The Law Library will close at 6pm on Friday, December 17, 2004 and remain closed through January 2, 2005. We will reopen to our regular hours on Monday, January 3, 2005. Our regular hours are:

Monday-Thursday: 7:30 am-10:30 pm
Fridays: 7:30 am—9:00 pm
Saturdays: 10:00 am—7:00 pm
Sundays: 10:00 am—10:30 pm

WE WISH EVERYONE A HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON!

