The Duty of Technology Competence in the Algorithmic Society

While law has generally been slow to adapt to technological change, the ABA Model Rules of Professional Conduct amended the Duty of Competence language to include a Duty of Technology Competence. This duty requires lawyers to keep abreast of "changes in the law and its practice, including the benefits and risks associated with relevant technology." A majority of states have now adopted this new Duty of Technology Competence, but there is little guidance on its current reach. The guidance documents mainly discuss the duty in terms of eDiscovery, electronic storage, social media, and the cloud. As society moves beyond the Information Age to the Algorithmic Society, this duty should extend to the competent use of artificial intelligence and algorithms in law. As such, it behooves the legal academy, particularly law librarians, to prepare lawyers for ethical practice in this brave new world.

Speaker: Jamie Baker, Texas Tech University

Gamification in Legal Research Instruction

Learning legal research can be a stressful and frustrating experience for law students, who often have limited class time to become proficient in legal research skills. Adding gamelike elements, or gamification, to classroom settings has been shown to reduce students' fear of failure and encourage teamwork. Using gamification in legal research instruction can help students overcome their research anxiety and focus on learning the skills they need to be successful in practice.

Program Planner/Speaker: Shannon Kemen, University of Cincinnati

Presentation Format: During this session the speaker will discuss: what gamification is, how it can be used in the classroom, and ideas for using gamification in legal research exercises. Participants will then break up into small groups to discuss how these ideas could be implemented in their classes.
**Finding North with a Broken Compass:**
**Dealing with Legal Misinformation at the Reference Desk**

**Description:** Researchers sometimes make requests based on dubious legal theories, for instance, avoiding taxes by claiming to be a sovereign citizen or claiming a property interest in specific lottery numbers. How should librarians handle research requests based on dubious legal grounds? This presentation will discuss how to recognize requests based on legal misinformation and how best to serve researchers making these requests.

**Presenters:**
- Benjamin Keele, Indiana University (planner and presenter)
- Paul Gatz, Ohio State (planner and presenter)
- Librarian from court/state library TBD (presenter)

**Presentation format:** Oral presentation with slide deck, one or two periods of small group discussion, question-and-answer.

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**Navigating the ORALL Conference**

An essential opportunity for first-time conference attendees and new(ish) law librarians to learn from the grizzled sea dogs who make up ORALL’s leadership.

**Planners:** Amelia Landenberger

**Speakers/sea dogs/experienced ORALLians:**
- Already committed: Beau Steenken, Rick Goheen, several more TBA

**Description:** The 2018 edition of a program which we hope will benefit anyone wishing to maximize their involvement in ORALL and jump-start their conference experience.

The program will start with a brief (under 10 minutes) presentation covering Amelia’s best tips for new conference attendees. This will be followed by a chance for the new attendees to mingle with the more experienced ORALL board members while playing a bingo game filled with characteristics of the attending members. For instance, one bingo square could say “Studied in Nottingham and loves archery” and the participants would need to find Beau Steenken to fill in their bingo square. This would be a way for new members to get to know experienced members and talk to them about how to get involved in ORALL. The first person to complete their bingo board would receive a light-hearted award of some kind.

After this portion of the program, the new members will participate in networking with each other by interviewing each other for the ORALL newsletter. This will give the new members a chance to get to know a conference buddy and also give Paul Venard something nice to publish about the new members.

**Format:** Interactive
Navigating the Stacks of Tax Law Research on the Internet

Susanna Marlowe, Reference Librarian, Franklin County Law Library

The planner will also be the speaker. The format of the program will consist of Susanna Marlowe making a Powerpoint presentation about researching Federal and Ohio tax laws, with time at the end for discussion and questions. The presentation will be based on Susanna Marlowe’s Tax Law Research LibGuide available at https://fclawlib.libguides.com/taxlawresearch and her Continuing Legal Education program which she presented as part of the Franklin County Law Library’s Brown Bag Seminar Series on March 7, 2018. A projector and an internet connection will be needed. Program attendees will come away from the presentation with an understanding of the process of tax law research and a list of resources to use to answer the reference questions of students, professors, attorneys and the general public.

Embrace The Suck

Life isn’t easy and sometimes it just plain sucks! You may have heard about grit, changing your mindset, and emotional labor. Embrace the suck encompasses all of these. This program will define what it means to "embrace the suck," look at the roles grit and mindset play in embracing the suck, identify the causes of emotional labor and the best ways to cope with it, and how you can use these techniques to navigate our information profession during challenging times. Librarians and staff of all types from all different environments will benefit from embracing the suck!

Speaker & Planner: Susan Boland, Associate Director of Public & Research Services, University of Cincinnati

Binding Down the Collection

PROGRAM PLANNER: Claudia Dansby, Acquisitions Librarian
LaValley Law Library, University of Toledo

PROGRAM SPEAKERS: Suzanne Wiersma, Director of Operations
Wallaceburg Bookbinding, Wallaceburg, ON

To be determined, HF Group (formerly Heckman Bindery)
North Manchester, Indiana

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION: Where is the library binding industry today compared to about 20 years ago, 75 years ago? What does the future of library binding look like? Our speakers will discuss the time line of library binding, significant changes over the years
(methods, material, embossing), the services of a library binder (journal binding, book repair and rebinding, print and bind, hardcover binding (one book at a time), and library binders services (for libraries, schools, businesses and individuals). This program will also include a description of stages in the binding process, some history of the Library Binding Council (LBC) and the LBI Standard for Library Binding, and what it means to be a “Certified Library Binder.” The presentation will conclude with a discussion of print vs. digital, and time for questions.

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**Training the Trainer: How to make training fun again for librarians and staff**

We can often become so busy with our day to day duties that training and self-improvement can fall to the wayside. This presentation will detail what the Case Western Reserve University did to help encourage Librarians and Staff to get excited about learning again. Some things that will be discussed are:

- Training committee
- Ted Talks
- Google Site Training Portal
- Training Calendar
- Self-Directed trainings
- 5-minute trainers at the end of bi-weekly staff meetings

**Names of the planners of the program.**
Jeannette Mazur and Megan Allen

**Names of speakers to be invited.**
Jeannette Mazur

**Presentation format of the program.**
Oral presentation with technology examples and PowerPoint slides interspersed.

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Ohio Legal Help: One Stop Legal Information Platform to Help Ohioans Navigate the Legal System

Rachel Harris, Ohio Legal Assistance Foundation
Susan Choe, Ohio Legal Assistance Foundation
Laura Novelo, Lucas County Law Library
Rachel Harris, Ohio Legal Assistance Foundation

Description: This session gives an overview of how the Ohio Legal Help (OLH) Website will provide Ohioans legal information and interactive self-help tools to help them navigate the legal system and resolve simple legal problems in core high-need legal areas.

Ohioans often feel as if the odds are stacked against them in the legal system: OLH will help right the ship and even the odds. At its launch, OLH will cover housing law, family law, consumer law, and income maintenance; and will also connect Ohioans to the “best” resource based on the individual’s situation, including community based social services, legal aid, and local lawyer referral services.

It’s A Tall Order: Promoting Mental Health in the Legal Community

According to a 2017 report by the National Task Force on Lawyer Well-Being, lawyers struggle with alarming levels of depression, anxiety, and stress, and between 21%-36% qualify as problem drinkers. The same report cites a 2016 study of law student well-being which found that of the responding law students, 17% experienced depression, 14% experienced severe anxiety, 43% reported binge drinking in the last two weeks, and 6% reported suicidal thoughts in the last year.

The American Bar Association and others in the legal community are working to overcome the stigma of mental health problems so that lawyers, judges and law students can get the help they need. This program will offer an open discussion and learning opportunity on mental health promotion.

After this session, participants will:

☐ Understand the extent of the mental health crisis in the legal community
☐ Become familiar with the latest reports on the topic, including statistics on depression, anxiety, stress, substance abuse, and suicide
☐ Learn ways to overcome the stigma associated with mental health issues
☐ Take back ideas to their workplaces on how their libraries can actively promote mental health and well-being
Presentation Format:

The speakers will give a roadmap of the session and introduce the topic of mental health in the legal profession. The session itself will be broken into two parts, approximately equal length in time.

The first half of the program will be a written “quiz” on mental health issues in the legal profession followed by table discussions of an open-ended question such as “What mental health issues have you encountered in your legal community experience?” The speakers will wrap up this half of the session by recapping the quiz and the table discussions.

The second half of the program will be the brainstorming session – the speakers will introduce this part by going over some mental health promotion initiatives they are familiar with through their workplace. Next, the speakers will facilitate table discussions on opened-ended questions such as “In what way is your library involved with mental health promotion? or What are some ideas you could try at your workplace to promote mental health?” The speakers will wrap up this part of the session by recapping the ideas from the table discussions, and offering to compile a master list to share with the group as a whole.

Maggie Kiel-Morse & Amy Burchfield, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law Library

Tall Stacks, Tall Order: Making Law Faculty Scholarship Discoverable to the Outside World

Description: Almost by definition, law professors are continuously engaged in research, scholarship, public commentary, clinical service, and other professional activities that give back to their respective communities. The challenge to every law school is how to make the intellectual work of its faculty as visible and accessible as possible to the “outside world” in the most impactful way. They often reach out to their libraries for assistance with leveraging technologies to develop innovative and effective solutions. Five panelists from law schools in Ohio, Michigan, and Kentucky share their experiences and their strategies for promoting law faculty scholarship in their respective institutions.


Speakers: Virginia C. Thomas (Program Moderator) Michael Samson
Navigating Through the Past: Designing a Display for an Anniversary Event

It's your University's sesquicentennial year. Departments and schools across your campus are celebrating with signature events. The library system is planning events, displays and tours. Each library will be part of this planning with a display or event reflecting its heritage. *Arthur Neef Law Library: Celebrating Research, Scholarship and Community* is the culmination of the law library sesquicentennial planning. Jan Bissett, Marlene Coir, and Kathryn Polgar researched, compiled and selected significant dates and images in the law school and law library histories, as well as library related laws for the celebratory display. What best reflects your library's story? How do you select and curate materials for such a display? Organize and research? Our poster guides viewers through the process, highlighting considerations, potential traps and joyful discoveries along the way.

Jan Bissett, Reference & Faculty Liaison Services Librarian
Arthur Neef Law Library, Wayne State University

Kathryn Polgar, Collection Development Librarian
Arthur Neef Law Library, Wayne State University

Note: *Designing a Display for an Anniversary Event* poster proposal was accepted and will be presented at the 2018 AALL Poster Sessions. We’re curious about how others may approach this process. How many know the actual history of their library? We’d like the opportunity to interact with ORALL members about this topic. Presentation to be based on the AALL poster.
Tall Stacks of Digital Stacks: Navigating and Curating Internet Legal Information For Your Community Users

Description: There is a vast amount of law and law-related information uploaded daily to the Internet. Yet, discovering and accessing this information can be particularly challenging for individuals who are unfamiliar with the legislative, judicial, and administrative systems as well as the plethora of Internet tools and sites. This interactive presentation/poster will illustrate how digital tools can be used to navigate and curate legal information to facilitate more meaningful access by a community of users. Examples will highlight how blogs, alert services, and others can help navigate, identify, contextualize, and share the most relevant information from Internet-based legal, government and non-government sources.

Planners: Michael Samson, Arthur Neef Law Library, Wayne State University

Speakers: Michael Samson

Format: Interactive poster/presentation with roundtable