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INTRODUCTION

On December 18, 2019, the Cleveland Law Library celebrated 150 years of service to the greater Cleveland legal community. Although the Cleveland Law Library has historically provided value to law firms of all sizes and practice areas, it has always been a great equalizer for small firms and solo practitioners who cannot afford to purchase their own legal research databases and materials. The Law Library continues to thrive because of its focus on delivering the best possible legal reference and research services to lawyers and law firms, its eagerness to embrace new technologies, and its willingness to explore synergies with local, law-related partners to support the administration of justice in Cuyahoga County.



Like many other law libraries that were established in Ohio and the United States in the late 1800's, the Cleveland Law Library was established by a private, non-profit law library association, called The Cleveland Law Library Association, to serve the members of the local bar. Over the course of history, Ohio statutes carved out an additional role for the Law Library as a county law library to serve the local judiciary, elected officials in Cuyahoga County, and members of the Ohio General Assembly. When Ohio legislation was passed in 2008, which shifted the responsibility for serving local courts and governments to new entities called county law library resources boards (CLLRBs), many private association law libraries in Ohio closed.

However, the Cleveland Law Library Association took a different and innovative approach by establishing a historic partnership with the Cuyahoga County CLLRB to provide a joint law library in the County Courthouse. The combined law library is still called the Cleveland Law Library, and its joint mission is "to provide high quality legal research, education, reference and other related services to its various constituencies in an efficient and cost-effective manner utilizing its extensive collection in print and electronic format." [Appendix] With the combined strength and resources of two libraries, the Cleveland Law Library is able to maintain a robust collection of print and online resources, offer cutting-edge reference and research services, and provide a wide variety of programs, including annual CLE programs in-house and online, monthly *pro se* divorce clinics, semi-annual probate brief advice clinics, and quarterly book discussions. The Cleveland Law Library is open to members every week day from Monday through Friday, and members of the public are welcome every Wednesday.

In honor of everything that the Cleveland Law Library has accomplished in its first 150 years, the Western Reserve Historical Society recently inducted the Law Library into its prestigious 100 Year Club at an awards banquet on December 2, 2019.

Please accept this booklet as your guide to our history, and help our Board members and staff usher in our next century of service!

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CORPORATE FORMATION & HISTORY OF THE ASSOCIATION

Preface:

The following pages provide a narrative account of the Cleveland Law Library Association's history. A chronological history of the Cleveland Law Library can be found in the Timelines located on the Law Library's web site on the *About Us* Tab.

Corporate Formation and History:

On December 18, 1869, members of the bar of Cuyahoga County met in a courtroom in Cuyahoga County's Third County courthouse to create both The Cleveland Law Library Association and "The Cleveland Law Library" for the "promotion of the science of the law." William J. Boardman, Esq. was chosen as the Chairman, and Homer B. DeWolf, Esq. served as the Secretary. The Honorable Jesse P. Bishop, the Honorable John Hutchins, the Honorable Seneca O. Griswold, William J. Boardman, Esq., and the Honorable Samuel Williamson served as the



Image #1

members of the Cleveland Law Library Association's first Board of Trustees. [Image #1] Although the Cleveland Law Library Association was formally incorporated a few days later in 1869, it did not receive tax exempt status until over 100 years later in 1970.



Image #2

On January 6, 1870, sixty-six local attorneys and judges subscribed their names to the Law Library's first Constitution. [Appendix]. Pursuant to this Constitution, the Board issued \$20,000.00 in shares of capital stock valued at \$25.00 per share. To become a member, a lawyer was required to purchase two shares of stock, in return for which he would receive free use of the Law Library. Until 1917, when the Law Library admitted its first three women members, all Law Library members were male. In 1986, the Law Library discontinued issuing share certificates, [Image #2] and in 1987, the Law Library declared that all outstanding member certificates and capital shares were of no value and would no longer be redeemed.

The Cleveland Law Library Association has amended its Constitution several times to expand the size of its Board and substitute the title of Trustee with the term Director. Today, the Law Library Association's current Board of Directors includes members who represent a crosssection of local practitioners at large and small law firms, as well as judges from



Image #3

the Cuyahoga County Common Pleas and Eighth District Appellate Courts. [Image #3]

Although the Cleveland Law Library Association's original Constitution only included one type of membership for individual lawyers, the Board added additional membership categories over time. The Law Library Association's current Constitution describes memberships for new individual members, regular individual members, law firms, seniors, and students.

The Cleveland Law Library Association has charged annual membership assessments since 1872 when the fee was \$5.00 to use the Law Library for a year. Although historic minutes from 1896 indicate that lawyers who were not in arrears could take a key to the Law Library, the Law Library has not passed out any keys for a very long time. The Law Library has naturally increased membership fees over time, and they are currently tied to the various categories of memberships that the Law Library offers.

No event from history ever affected the members of the Cleveland Law Library as much as World War I did. Between 1917-1918, 72 members of the Law Library entered military service to serve on behalf of the United States. The Law Library's Board also authorized the purchase of \$500.00 in war bonds and voted to grant the U.S. Draft Board permission to use the Law Library if necessary to help draft registrants complete their questionnaires.

At various times in its history, the Cleveland Law Library was able to hire law students part-time, and a few distinguished names from history should seem very familiar. In addition to employing the late Stephanie Tubbs Jones, the Law Library also hired the Honorable Harry A. Hanna and the Honorable Leo Spellacy as paiges when they were in law school. More recently, the Law Library has accepted practicum students from Kent State University's library science program and hosted interns and externs from both local law schools, colleges in California and Pennsylvania, and the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association.

LOCATION OF THE CLEVELAND LAW LIBRARY¹

Since 1912, the Cleveland Law Library has provided legal reference and research assistance from its current home on the 4th floor of the Cuyahoga County Courthouse at the corner of Lakeside Avenue and Ontario Street in downtown Cleveland. However, prior to moving into its present location, the Law Library occupied space in two prior Cuyahoga County courthouses between 1869-1911.

In approximately 1812-1813, Cuyahoga County built its very first County Courthouse,

a simple red and white clapboard structure on the Northwest corner of Public Square. However, because of increasing legal needs, the County built a second County Courthouse in 1828. That building was a more permanent, two-story structure made of brick that faced Lake Erie from the Southwest corner of Public Square. Within two or three years, a sturdy stone jail was added across the street. When Cleveland continued to grow, Cuyahoga County erected its Third Courthouse, a three-story Italianate building that was constructed in the Northwest area of Public Square in 1858. This building was the Cleveland Law Library's first residence.

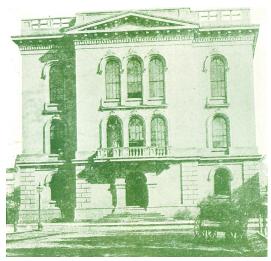


Image #4

On December 18, 1869, members of the bar of Cuyahoga County met in one of



Image #5

the courtrooms in Cuyahoga County's Third County Courthouse and resolved to create the Cleveland Law Library. Shortly thereafter, the Cuyahoga County Commissioners renovated a vacant room on the third floor of the Third Courthouse, and the Cleveland Law Library moved there for the next 15 years. [Image #4]

Thereafter, both the Law Library and the County continued to grow, so much so that the County built an addition onto the Third Courthouse in 1875 for an additional court building and county jail. Because it faced Seneca Street (now West Third Street), this new addition was variously called the Seneca Street Courthouse or the Fourth County Courthouse. [Image #5] The Cleveland Law Library

1 Much of the Courthouse history in this section was derived from historical Law Library records and *Cuyahoga County's Fifth Court House 1912-2012: The Prologue*, https://cuyahogacounty.us/my-government/legal-judicial/county-court-house (Accessed 1-3-2020).

relocated into temporary space in the Seneca Street Courthouse in the Summer of 1885 while two stories were being added to the Third Courthouse. After a year of construction, the Cleveland Law Library moved into brand new space specifically designed for the Law Library on the fifth floor of the newly renovated Third County Courthouse in 1885. [Image #6]

Along with the Progressive Movement, which took hold of the United States at the beginning of the 20th Century, came a nationwide City Beautiful Movement, which encouraged architectural and urban planning. Cleveland joined this movement by implementing a proposal called the Burnham Group plan, which gave Cleveland six beautiful, neoclassic buildings, including Cuyahoga

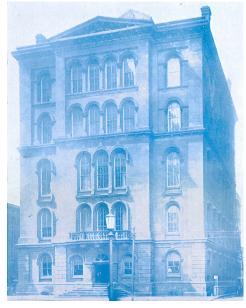


Image #6

County's fifth County Courthouse.² [Image #7] Although this Courthouse was referred to as the 'New Courthouse' when it opened in 1912, it has been called the 'Old Courthouse' or the 'Lakeside Courthouse' ever since the Justice Center was completed in 1976.



Image #7

During the December holidays in 1912, the Cleveland Law Library Association moved to its current home on the 4th floor of the Lakeside Courthouse. In response to multiple requests from the Librarian, the County Commissioners added over a mile of shelving in the Law Library's attic in 1946. However, when air conditioning equipment was installed in the Lakeside Courthouse in 1968, part of the Law

Library's collection was temporarily moved to the Old County Welfare Building at East 24th Street and Payne Avenue. The Cleveland Law Library's collections were eventually reunited in 1976 when the Law Library acquired the entire fourth floor of the Lakeside Courthouse.

² The five other buildings include the Metzenbaum Federal Courthouse, Cleveland City Hall, Public Auditorium, the Cleveland Public Library, and the Board of Education (Now the Drury Plaza Hotel).

THE ARTHUR W. FISKE **READING ROOM**

The Cleveland Law Library's beautiful Reading Room was dedicated to the memory of Arthur W. Fiske, or Art, as he was colloquially known to members. [Image #8] As the Cleveland Law Library's longest-serving chief Librarian, Mr. Fiske's impact is still felt today. One of the first rumors any new Librarian learns is that Mr. Fiske was rumored to have hidden money in some of the books. Unfortunately, however, that rumor appears to be unfounded.

The jewel of the Reading Room [Image #9] is of course the South wall containing a New England Town Hall Meeting and





Image #9



Image #8

Friezes by the artist, Max Bohm (1868-1923). Bohm's painting depicts a group of pilgrims casting paper ballots for an election, and the decorative garlands which adorn the wall on either side of the painting contain the names of the following lawyers and judges: Bishop; Swan; Kent; Story; Field; Greenleaf; Washburn; Parsons; Bracton; Coke; Pollock; Blackstone; Cooley; Pomeroy; Bentham; Austin; Daniels; and Benjamin³. Records

show that the Librarian at the time solicited recommendations of prominent individuals for these garlands before the Law Library moved into the Courthouse. Discerning members may have noticed that a few of the names are also inscribed on the stainedglass window of Lady Justice located in the Courthouse Rotunda.

Patrons often ask about the long wooden desks and lamps in the Reading Room. [Image #10] Although the Law Library has no specific records to prove that the desks date back to 1912⁴, the lamps were installed during April of 1969, in time for the Cleveland Law Library Association's Centennial later that year. Even though the Law Library was not retrofitted for air conditioning until around 1968, legend has



Image #10

³ Information on these individuals is available at the Law Library

⁴ Lawyers used the buttons located on the sides of the desks to summon Law Library staff for assistance.

it that the desks used to be filled to capacity with lawyers who were typing on old fashioned typewriters while their cigarette and pipe smoke drifted all the way up to the ceiling. In 1979, the County replaced the Reading Room's 1920's-era double-stack shelving with the current steel shelving, which was later painted its current dark green color in 1991 when new carpet was also installed.

Long-time patrons may remember checking out books and requesting assistance at the front desk when it was located inside the entrance to the Main Room. After the front desk was moved to its current location in the 4th floor lobby during the Fall of 1985⁵, four patron computers were installed where the old front desk used to stand. [Image #11].



Image #11

Curiosity seekers have wondered about the small panel of red, green and white lights on the North wall of the Main Reading Room. Although some patrons have wondered if it was ever used to control timing in oral arguments that may have been held on the 4th floor, it is actually a remnant of an old Law Library telephone system.

The Reading Room has always housed the core of the Law Library's collection, although the contents of the room have changed over time. All of the materials are arranged by call numbers, according to the Library of Congress Classification system⁶, and the Law Library has added QR codes throughout the stacks for every major legal subject area. [Image #12] The main floor of the Reading Room still contains current copies of essential Ohio legal research materials, as well as the Law Library's large subject matter collection of treatises, practice



subject matter collection of treatises, practice *Image* #12 guides, form books, and other research tools. Although the Law Library's collections of Ohio, regional, and federal reporters are still on the shelves, they are no longer being updated in print. Like *Shepard's* citators and digests, they have all been gradually migrated to online databases over the past twenty years.

In the 1960's, the County added two suspended balconies where the Law Library now shelves historic legal materials. The East balcony just inside the Reading Room contains

⁵ The Law Library recently replaced its front desk for its 150th Anniversary.

⁶ The Library of Congress classification system is the primary classification system used by research libraries. In contrast, public libraries typically shelve materials using the Dewey Decimal System designed by Melvil Dewey.

bound copies of old *Ohio Supreme Court Records* & *Briefs* that Ohio Supreme Court Justice Ralph Locher used to bring from Columbus and donate to the Law Library. [Image #13] The West balcony at the far end of the Room contains historic Ohio materials, including archival statutes, regulations, court rules, and treatises. [Image #14] It is also the current home of some of the Law Library's old English case reporters. Although there are cubby holes beneath each balcony which often go unnoticed, they contain additional archival



Image #13

collections which date back to the early 1800's. Patrons are not permitted in these areas, but intrepid Librarians periodically find a gem hidden among their low-rise stacks.



Image #14

The Reading Room has always been the hub of legal research at the Law Library. In looking back on their own careers, many judges and lawyers have told Law Library staff that they had favorite spots in the Reading Room where they liked to conduct their research. Current members now have favorite computers that they prefer to use, and interns and externs who rotate through the local courts call the Law Library home during their employment.

Because the Law Library offers so many digital products and services for members, the Reading Room had become a lot quieter most days. To revive use of this historic treasure, the Law Library started annual Open Houses in 2003 and implemented a continuing legal education (CLE) program almost fifteen years ago in 2006 that is still going strong today. Due to the success of these programs, the Cleveland Law Library has added other events that bring lawyers back into the Reading Room. Since 2006, the Association has partnered with the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association (CMBA) to host annual events related to Ohio's Mock Trial competition. In 2017, the Law Library assumed the continuing role of hosting monthly pro se and pro se + divorce clinics in coordination with the CMBA and the Legal Aid Society of Cleveland. For the past five years, the Law Library has conducted quarterly book discussions with the Cleveland Public Library on books related to law. Many of these discussions have featured local authors, including Peter Kirsanow, Esq., a partner at Benesch, Friedlander, Coplan & Aronoff who used to work as a page at the Law Library during law school. As its most recent venture, the Law Library began co-sponsoring Probate Brief Advice Clinics in 2018 in conjunction with the CMBA and the Cuyahoga County Probate Court. Despite the advent of virtual legal practice, the Law Library continues to thrive as an essential legal resource for the practicing bar and judiciary.

THE CHANGING FACE OF THE COLLECTION: FROM BOOKS TO DATABASES

The Print Collection:

Although the Law Library has fully embraced the advantages of technology in legal research, its collection began as a traditional print research library for the members of the bar and judiciary in Cuyahoga County. The foundation for the Law Library's current holdings began humbly in May of 1870 with purchases of bound from cases Association members and local lawyers. [Image #15] Through donations and additional purchases, the Law Library owned almost 6,000 volumes by 1882 at a total cost of \$21,645.03. That number more than tripled by 1896, and by 1901, the Law Library's collection was growing by 1,000 volumes per year.

Surprisingly, the Law Library's initial collections did not focus on Ohio law. That changed soon after the turn of the Century. In 1907, the Law Library acquired Ohio Supreme Court decisions through volume 72 and then purchased new volumes going forward. Once the

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Law Library moved into its permanent quarters on the 4th floor of the current County Courthouse in 1912, Law Library staff began collecting, binding, and indexing all of the unpublished opinions of the local Circuit Court (now the 8th District Court of Appeals).⁷ Five years later, the Law Library added Cuyahoga Probate Court cases to its collection. However, because many of these books were bound with leather covers, they had to be treated with Vaseline in 1921. When *Ohio Jurisprudence* was first published in 1928, the Law Library purchased not one, but three copies for members to use, compared to only one set of the Third edition that the Law Library maintains today. Thereafter, the Law Library's collection continued to grow exponentially. By its centennial in 1969,

⁷ In 1988, the Cleveland Law Library began creating a union list of periodical and serial holdings. By 2002, the The Law Library was adding journal and law review records for periodical holdings by member law firm libraries.

the Law Library could boast to owning substantially all of the world's law available in the English language⁸. Today, the Law Library's print collection stands at 117,550 legal treatises, form books, practice guides, law journals, statutes, rules, and other materials.

The Cleveland Law Library created its first, rudimentary card catalog in 1912 by indexing all of its existing books by author and subject. In the 1950's, the Law Library converted its collection and catalog to the Library of Congress classification system, and in 1970, Law Library staff added catalog cards for additional categories, including geography. However, it was the Law Library's landmark decision to join the CLEVNET Consortium in 1985 that enabled the Law Library to replace its manual card catalog with a state-ofthe-art, online public access catalog, or OPAC, in 1987. To streamline the process for circulating books through that catalog, the Law Library undertook a massive project in 1992 to bar code every book. The Law Library's online catalog has been upgraded many times, and the current version is linked on the Law Library's website.

Between Books and Online Databases:

The legal research industry has evolved a lot like the music industry. In between publishing books and databases, legal research vendors have sold a variety of legal research tools. However, instead of records, 8-track tapes, and music CDs, legal research vendors produced cassette and VHS tapes, microfiche sheets, microfilm rolls, and CD-ROMs. At one point in its history, the Law Library collected all of these types of media. As examples, the Law Library purchased microfiche and a microfiche reader/printer in 1985 and started a small audio-visual collection in 1986. Two years later, the Law Library purchased its first CD-ROM from a periodical indexing service called LegalTrac. By 1994, the Law Library had created its own local area network (LAN) that later enabled the Law Library to make CD-ROM's from *West Publishing Company* and others more accessible to members. Today, several of the books that the Law Library purchases still come with CD-ROMs, and Law Library staff periodically access microfiche and microfilm to perform legislative history research. However, the Law Library has replaced most of these interim legal research tools with online legal research databases.

Migration to Online Databases:

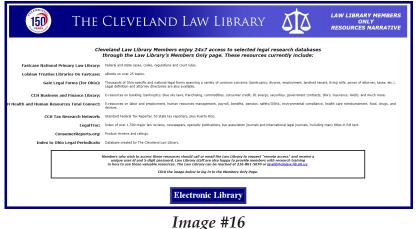
In 1987, the Cleveland Law Library took a bold step by offering members their first two online alternatives to CD-ROM research through *Lexis* and *Ohio Capital Connection* (for Ohio legislative history information). The next year, the Law Library began offering a *Westlaw Sponsorship* plan whereby members could prepay the Law Library and receive *Westlaw* passwords to use at their offices. *Westlaw* eventually discontinued this program several years later.

⁸ Many of the Law Library's books were brought up from the street level by a dumbwaiter which has since been sealed off in the West hallway.

As Law Library members became accustomed to online research, the Law Library added additional products for members to use at the Law Library, starting with a *HeinOnline* collection in 2001, followed by *Loislaw* and an online version of *LegalTrac*. *Westlaw* joined the growing menu of Law Library databases in 2003, after which the Law Library added subscription content from *Commerce Clearing House* (*CCH*) and the *Ohio State Bar Association's Casemaker* product. Today, Law Library members can still access all of these products in-house.

Although members historically loved using legal research databases at the Law Library, they also wanted options to work off-site. As a result, the Law Library utilized cuttingedge technology to create and launch its Members' Only page in 1999. This Internet gateway still allows members online, remote access to selected legal research products through the Law Library's website. Although the Members' Only page initially offered access to CD-ROM products, it now provides members with 24x7 access to online content from *LegalTrac*, *Fastcase*, *CCH*, and *Gale* (for Ohio legal forms). [Image #16]

The Law Library became an early adopter of legal research eBooks, beginning in 2005. As a way to betatest member interest in eBooks, the Law Library purchased a few, stand-alone Ohio titles from *Lexis* and downloaded them to laptops that members could borrow. When the eBook industry exploded, the Law Library enhanced its eBook



collections with eBooks on over 25 subjects from *Loislaw* and *Aspen Publishers* (now *Wolters Kluwer*) that are now available through the Law Library's *Fastcase* subscription. The Law Library also purchased multiple licenses to the *National Consumer Law Center's* online library of eBooks and forms. In 2015, the Law Library became the second law library association or county law library in Ohio to subscribe to the *Lexis Digital Library* of eBooks. Today, the Law Library can proudly boast that member privileges include remote access to over 1,100 eBooks.

THE GROWTH OF MEMBER SERVICES

Book Borrowing

The Cleveland Law Library's original By-Laws permitted lawyers to take books to court for a few days. [Appendix] However, the Law Library created its first, formal Circulating Department in 1915. According to the Minutes, coverage included:

...works upon the theory and history of law; Comparative Jurisprudence; Books upon Sociology and Economics where they touch upon the domain of law; Biographies of famous lawyers and jurists; Famous trials; Books upon the humour of the law and legal micscellany.

Borrowing privileges for members have changed many times throughout the Law Library's history. Today, members can still borrow every book in the Law Library's collection, with the limited exception of several items in the Law Library's Ready Reference collection of citation guides, dictionaries, and directories.

Member User Tools

The Cleveland Law Library created its first finding aids for patrons in 1914. In addition to compiling an index of legal periodicals, Law Library staff assembled a table of unreported Ohio Supreme Court cases and a digest of topics covered by the local Circuit Court.

In 1989, the Law Library launched its first Research Guide Series to connect members with resources for common reference requests. Today, that content has grown to 70 Research FAQs, [Image #17] and 44 Subject Guides, the latter of which are tied to QR codes that direct members to the Law Library's print and online content.

Reference & Research Services

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Since its inception, the Cleveland

Image #17

Law Library has provided essential legal reference and research services to its members. This has always included providing 'on-the fly' assistance helping members find what they need and showing them how to use the resources that the Law Library offers at the point that members need them. As legal research tools expanded from books to online databases, Law Library staff helped members navigate new ways of conducting legal research and crafting online searches. When chat reference became trendy, the Law Library provided chat reference services through Ohio's statewide *KnowltKnow* (KIN) Service. Although KIN was discontinued in 2014, the Law Library adopted its current chat option for members.

However, many lawyers have admitted that legal research is a chore they would rather delegate. The Law Library was listening and instituted three new programs to remedy this problem. As a natural progression from helping lawyers find their own cases, statutes, and law review articles, the Law Library expanded its reference services to include retrieving these and other items for lawyers. That service currently includes:

- Answering ready reference (quick) questions
- Searching for a case when identifying information is known
- Citation verification using Shepard's or Keycite
- Locating forms
- Selecting books or chapters in a book on a particular topic
- Retrieving a statute or ordinance

- Performing journal and law review searches
- Compiling legislative history materials
- Providing Jury Instructions
- Obtaining jury verdict and settlement information
- Searching docket databases
- Locating news articles
- Investigating information on companies
- Gathering background data on experts
- Searching public records databases

Members can make these requests by telephone, fax, email, an online form on the Law Library's website, text via Google Voice, Facebook messenger, or chat. In addition, law firm privileges include the ability to place these requests on behalf of lawyers who are employed at any of the firms' nationwide offices.

As a second option, the Cleveland Law Library created a formal Research Services program in 2000 for lawyers and law firms that do not employ law clerks and support staff. This program is still going strong today because many lawyers trust the Cleveland Law Library to provide quality legal research on tough legal issues.

Finally, the Law Library created a program that no other law library association or county law library in Ohio has yet attempted. In 2013, the Law Library began offering a "Borrow a Librarian" program that still allows members to request off-site computer and legal research assistance.

Education

Although education has been an integral part of the Cleveland Law Library's core mission since 1869, the Law Library embraced the concept of formal education in 1989, when the Law Library offered vendor-provided classes on how to use CD-ROMs from West Publishing Company. Once the Law Library began offering online access to both Lexis and Westlaw, the Law Library began rotating continuing legal education classes between the vendors of these two products on an annual basis for Law Day every May.

However, the Cleveland Law Library's most important contribution to education began in 2006, when the Law Library started offering its own live, continuing legal education (CLE) programs for local lawyers and judges with a class entitled *Ethics, Professionalism* & *Substance Abuse*. Every year since then, when the leaves begin to fall and lawyers need their biennial CLE credit, the Law Library offers at least three live CLE programs, including a program that satisfies professional conduct requirements. Video replays have also been available since 2015.

Although lawyers have always told Law Library staff that they enjoy attending classes in the Law Library's beautiful Reading Room, online self-study learning was becoming so popular that the Law Library did not want to be left behind. As a result, the Law Library became the first law library association or county law library in Ohio to teach live, legal research webinars for self-study credit, starting in 2015. Although the Law Library soon began offering video-replays of these programs on-site, the program reached a whole new level in 2019. In time for its sesquicentennial in December of 2019, the Law Library became the first law library association or county law library in Ohio to offer on-demand CLE programming. Through a wonderful partnership with the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association, Ohio lawyers took almost all of the Library's classes online last year, and the program enjoyed an amazing success.

Document Delivery

The Cleveland Law Library has provided document delivery services in various forms for over 50 years. To the delight of its members, the Law Library established a copy service soon after purchasing its first Xerox machine in 1967. In addition to dedicating staff members to copy materials on-site, the Law Library also accepted orders over the telephone. Copying later expanded to include faxing in 1988, and the Law Library introduced its email delivery option in 2003. This latter service has become extremely popular with members as a way to save them valuable time and money.

Meeting Space

For many years, the Law Library provided members with a Lawyers' Lounge to prepare for court or decompress during a tough day. Although the Law Library also maintains a large conference room that visiting judges used for deliberations, members did not take advantage of this option until they started closing their physical offices and creating virtual law practices. In response to this nationwide movement, the Law Library added two smaller conference rooms in the West hallway and created an online form for reservations. Many members now routinely utilize all three conference rooms for depositions of opposing parties or meeting with clients or co-counsel. [Images #18-20]











Hours of Operation

Image #20

The Law Library's hours of operation have changed many times over the past 150 years. As early as 1922, the Law Library's Board authorized the Librarian to keep the Law Library open evenings and Saturday afternoons if service demanded it. Service must have demanded extra hours because the Law Library responded by extending its hours until 9:30 p.m. during the week and until 4:00 p.m. on Saturdays. Over time, however, changes in lawyers' research needs, advances in technology, and building hours have reduced those hours to weekdays from 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., excluding legal holidays.

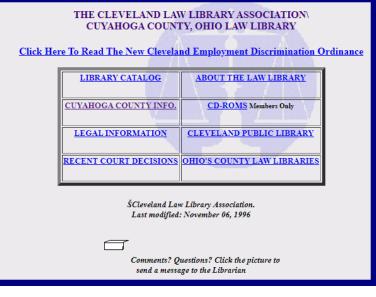
THE EVOLUTION OF TECHNOLOGY

The Cleveland Law Library always embraced and adopted affordable, new technologies when they would enhance services to patrons. Although it does not seem like advanced technology today, the Law Library's decision to install a telephone in 1885 was a progressive decision at that time.

Technology truly arrived at the Law Library approximately 50 years ago in 1970, when the Law Library installed its first, stand-alone computer terminal on-site when OBAR/ Mead Data Central Inc. introduced computerized legal research to the practicing bar. In 1985, the Cleveland Law Library joined CLEVNET to be able to share in advanced technologies that public libraries in Northeast Ohio were beginning to offer to their patrons, including an online catalog.

In 1990, the Cleveland Law Library got its first taste of online research through an "Information Gateway" that was provided by the CLEVNET Consortium. Through a very simple interface, the Law Library was able to search the catalogs of Case Western Reserve University, Kent State University, Oberlin College, and the Cuyahoga County Public Library.⁹ This portal also provided the Law Library with access to a public bulletin board called FREENET, through which the Law Library could obtain United States Supreme Court decisions as they were announced.

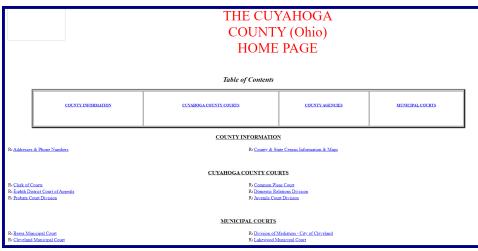
The Cleveland Law Library began accessing a nascent Internet for the first time in 1993. Through an oldfashioned, dial-up connection, the Law Library was able to request interlibrary loans for members through a new service called the Online Computer Library Center (OCLC). In its 125th year of service, the Law Library created a Local Area Network (LAN) for Cuyahoga County and followed it up the next year by creating the Law Library's first web page at www. clelaw.lib.oh.us. [Image #21] Over the





⁹ Access to Cleveland State University's catalog came a little later.

next few years, the Law Library loaded its first legal research CD-ROMs from West Publishing Company onto the County LAN and created websites for both Cuyahoga County [Image #22] and Cleveland Municipal Court [Image #23].



Basic Services History Court Organization Powers & Duties Phone Directory Court Rules Map Judge Biographies

Image #23

Image #22

At the tail end of the last century, the Law Library obtained a large technology grant from the State Library of Ohio that enabled the Law Library to launch its flagship product, the Members' Only page, in 1999. This portal offered members their first taste of remote access to online legal research databases and has served as a model that other libraries in Ohio have both envied and copied.

With the dawn of the new millennium, the Law Library's website became a gateway to the Law Library's collection and services and signaled the start of exponential changes in the Law Library's online presence. In 2001, the Law Library became the first private law library association in Ohio to provide online chat reference, and in 2002, the Law Library registered a permanent domain name at clevelandlawlibrary.org that it has since reserved until 2024. Another key signifier that the Cleveland Law Library stayed abreast of new technologies was its installation of Wi-Fi access for members in 2004, eight years before Cuyahoga County overlaid wireless access at the County Courthouse. Over the next few years, the Law Library experimented with podcasts and posted a virtual tour on its website.

In 2013, the Law Library introduced two new communication tools for members. In addition to creating a virtual reference desk as a central location where members could email Law Library staff with reference and research requests, the Law Library also modernized the print Newsletter it started in 1986 into a more sophisticated product.

For the last ten years, the Law Library has been one of only a handful of private or county law libraries in Ohio to maintain a social media presence. The Law Library started its online engagement in 2009 with a Tweet on *Twitter*, followed by a *LinkedIn* account a year later, and then *Facebook* and *Pinterest* pages in 2012 and 2013, respectively. Eventually,

the Law Library created an *Instagram* account in 2015, and it has been posting virtual displays online since 2016.

In 2018, the Law Library obtained another grant from the State Library of Ohio to modernize its historical legal research, and the Librarian taped a podcast about the Law Library for the Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court's Podcast Network. The Law Library stamped its mark on 2019 by setting up text messaging through *Google Voice* and *Facebook Messenger*, installing a touch-screen information kiosk in its lobby, and adding a favicon to its website URL.

The Law Library has no plans to slow down and is already implementing two new hightech innovations to kick-off the year 2020. As a commemorative project in honor of its sesquicentennial, the Law Library created a brand new Technology Center. With grant funds from The State Library of Ohio, the Law Library re-purposed a room that was historically used for CD-ROM research into a training room complete with high-speed Wi-Fi and technology tables embedded with electric plugs and charging ports. Members will be able to charge their phones or tablets while they take a technology class or CLE program. In addition, Law Library staff will be introducing members to virtual reality in the practice of law through hands-on *Oculus Go* demonstrations.

STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS

Throughout its history, the Cleveland Law Library has created many strategic partnerships with other legal service providers in the Cleveland area. In the 1880's, the Law Library extended privileges to law students at the Cleveland Law School (now Cleveland-Marshall College of Law) two nights a week to prepare their cases for moot court. In 1873, local lawyers and judges met at the Law Library to create the Cleveland Bar Association. Around 1910, the Law Library began collecting, binding and indexing all of the unpublished opinions of the local Circuit Court (now the Eighth District Court of Appeals), and in 1976, the Law Library helped the Cuyahoga County Commissioners establish a law library at the County jail.

In 1985, the Law Library became the first and only law library to join *CLEVNET*, a consortium of public and special libraries in Northeast Ohio which has been recognized



as a nationwide leader in library innovation. [Image #24] The Law Library's membership in *CLEVNET* continues today and has provided the Law Library with a state-of-the-art online catalog since 1987, a sophisticated Integrated Library System for tracking materials and patrons, and high-tech library support

services. In 1990, the Law Library's membership in *CLEVNET* enabled the Law Library to begin archiving the opinions of the Eighth District Court of Appeals on the Law Library's website.

The Law Library has not slowed down since then. In 2003, the Law Library and several other private law library associations in Northeast Ohio formed a "Pocket Part Exchange" to share updates to books among member libraries. Three years later, the Law Library led a group of three Ohio private law library associations which expanded this fledgling organization into a more formal organization called the *Ohio Law Library Consortium* for resource sharing between over 25 Ohio private law library associations and the Ohio Supreme Court.

In 2006, the Law Library partnered with the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association and the Ohio Center for Law Related Education to host the first of what thereafter became yearly Regional Mock Trial competitions at the Cuyahoga County Courthouse. That partnership expanded to include District Mock Trial competitions in 2016.

The most significant partnership in the Law Library's history is its 2010 agreement between the Cleveland Law Library Association and the Cuyahoga County Law Library Resources Board. Alone, neither library would have possessed sufficient resources to provide a collection and services to the local legal community. Together, they are able to offer a robust collection of print and online resources, cutting-edge programming, and a growing list of services for a diverse group of patrons. After only five years of operating together, the Law Library's two partners engaged in intense strategic planning which resulted in these strategic priorities which continue to guide the Law Library's future: ¹⁰

1. Promote continued cooperation between the CLLA and the CLLRB for the benefit of the Cleveland Law Library's diverse patrons.

2. Clarify the Cleveland Law Library's mission to support the delivery of services its patrons need in an ever-changing digital landscape.

3. Continue to integrate technology into the Cleveland Law Library's operations and services.

4. Develop new marketing strategies to promote the Cleveland Law Library, its services and its collection.

5. Enhance communication with the Cleveland Law Library's private, court, and governmental members, as well as local partners and other interested stakeholders.

6. Explore new sources of members and venues for programming.

7. Introduce new products and services to enhance the Cleveland Law Library's value to patrons.

8. Explore collaborations with local partners who share the legal community.

This crucial partnership has also enabled the Law Library to expand its offerings to include public access every Wednesday, video replays of continuing legal education programs, and quarterly joint book discussions with the Cleveland Public Library (CPL) on books of interest to the legal community.

For the last four years, the Law Library has partnered with the Legal Aid Society of Cleveland and the CMBA to host monthly *pro se* and *pro se*+ Divorce Clinics at the Law Library for indigents who would not otherwise be able to afford the divorce process. In 2017, the Law Library held its first collaborative continuing legal education program with the Cleveland Municipal Court Interpreters Department, and in 2018, the Law Library created a new partnership with the Cuyahoga County Probate Court and the CMBA to co-sponsor semi-annual Probate Brief Advice Clinics at the Cleveland Law Library.

¹⁰ The full Strategic Plan can be located at the following link: https://clevelandlawlibrary.org/Public/misc/planning/Strategic%20Plan%20 2014.pdf

Finally, the Law Library has come to realize a role in the greater local library community. In addition to holding past K-8 book drives in conjunction with the CMBA and the local federal district court, the Law Library recently dedicated two Little Free Libraries in Cleveland. In partnership with CPL, the Law Library installed a Little Free Library at a local daycare facility. More importantly, in partnership with the Cuyahoga County Juvenile Court and the local FBI Citizens Academy, the Law Library dedicated the first Little Free Library in the country at a courthouse on the second floor of the Cuyahoga County Juvenile Justice Center. [Image #25]



Image #25

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY OF THE CLEVELAND LAW LIBRARY

When the Cleveland Law Library Association was created in 1869, it became only the second private law library association in Ohio.¹¹ However, three years later in 1872, the State of Ohio passed a groundbreaking Act "to promote and encourage Law Library associations" statewide. [69 Laws of Ohio 165]. This law authorized local judges in counties having a certain population to hire librarians and pay them up to \$500.00. It also allocated \$500.00 to law libraries from fines and penalties that were collected in local police courts. Id.

Between 1872 and 1959, Ohio passed over twenty additional laws which allowed smaller counties to create law libraries, increased law librarian salaries, changed the appointing authority for librarians back and forth between judges and local law library boards, allowed law libraries up to two assistant librarians paid by the county, increased the statutory funding for law libraries, required law libraries to provide services for county judges and employees, and required counties to provide appropriate space for law libraries in county buildings. A list of the citations for all Ohio laws affecting law library associations follows this discussion, but a few are worthy of particular mention.

On May 1, 1885, Ohio passed SB 511, which included a provision for local county commissioners to "set apart a room in the court-house" for a law library and "provide book-cases and furniture as they may determine." Five years later, on April 16, 1900, Ohio passed HB 730, which made all books and furniture at the law library tax exempt. Several years later on February 3, 1906, Ohio passed HB 92, which required counties to provide suitable space for law libraries in the "county seat" if there was no room at the courthouse. In 1957, SB 29 granted free use of law library associations to the General Assembly.

The Ohio legislature did not pass any new legislation that supported law library associations between 1960 and 1995. However, in 1986, Ohio passed SB 54, which unfortunately prohibited law library associations from sharing in seat belt traffic fines. Other than another small change in 1996, law library associations were again left alone until HB 66 passed in 2005 in the 126th General Assembly. HB 66 contained interim changes to the funding structure for Ohio law library associations that would be phased in over the next few years. However, because these changes would have been devastating for law library associations, HB 66 also created a 13-member Task Force on Law Library Associations (Uncodified Section 503.06). The Ohio State Bar Association appointed Kathleen M. Dugan, Esq., MLS as one of its representatives on the Task Force.

¹¹ Hamilton County lawyers and judges created Ohio's first law library in 1834. The Franklin County Law Library was not created until 1887.

Pursuant to its statutory charge, the Task Force studied law library associations and made specific recommendations by October 31, 2006 as to their future structure, funding, and administration.

Based in part on the work of the Task Force, the Ohio legislature repealed HB 66's funding transitions and created an entirely new system of law libraries for Ohio. Specifically, in 2008, HB 420 created brand-new county entities called County Law Library Resources Boards (CLLRBs) in each county under new Ohio Revised Code §§ 307.51 *et seq.* Importantly, HB 420 transferred all law library association responsibilities for serving the local judiciary and elected officials to the CLLRBs. In addition, HB 420 reallocated all of the statutory fines and penalties that law library associations had previously received to the new CLLRBs.

Although HB 420 caused most of the law library associations in Ohio to close, the Cleveland Law Library Association partnered with the Cuyahoga County Law Library Resources Board in what has proven to be a very successful venture.

Historic Location of Laws Affecting Law Library Associations

- *Revised Statutes of Ohio* (1880-1910): This was Ohio's first organized set of codified laws, and laws governing law library associations were contained in §§ 2678-2680.
- *General Code* (1910-1952): Once the *General Code* was enacted, law library association statutes were located in §§ 3054-3058.
- *Ohio Revised Code* (1953-): When the *Ohio Revised Code* was adopted in 1953, law library association statutes were relocated to O.R.C. §§ 3375.48-.56. These sections were repealed when CLLRB's were created under O.R.C. §§ 307.51 *et seq.*

Historic Laws Affecting Law Libraries:

- April 27, 1872: Act [69 Laws of Ohio 165]
- April 18, 1873: Act [70 Laws of Ohio 141
- April 26, 1873: Act [70 Laws of Ohio 162]
- March 30, 1874: Act [71 Laws of Ohio49]
- May 1, 1885: SB 511 [82 Laws of Ohio 216]
- February 22, 1887: HB 679 [84 Laws of Ohio 34]
- January 18, 1888: HB 8 [85 Laws of Ohio 3]
- April 10, 1889: HB 1044 [86 Laws of Ohio 231]
- March 1, 1892: HB 344 [89 Laws of Ohio 50]
- May 8, 1894: HB 679 [91 Laws of Ohio 207]
- May 18, 1894: SB 400 [91 Laws of Ohio 296]
- May 21, 1894: SB 441 [91 Laws of Ohio 369]

- February 27, 1896: HB 208 [92 Laws of Ohio 49]
- April 13, 1900: HB 99 [94 Laws of Ohio 135]
- April 16, 1900: HB 730 [94 Laws of Ohio 237]
- April 7, 1904: SB 70 [97 Laws of Ohio 72]
- February 23, 1906: HB 92 [98 Laws of Ohio 18]
- May 10, 1910: SB 85 [101 Laws of Ohio 295]
- April 22, 1931: HB 52 114 Laws of Ohio 89]
- May 26, 1939: SB 46 [118 Laws of Ohio 453]
- October 1, 1953: Ohio enacted the Ohio Revised Code, replacing the General Code.
- August 7, 1953: SB 361 [125 Laws of Ohio 903]
- May 16, 1957: SB 29 [127 Laws of Ohio 25]
- July 20, 1959: SB 47 [128 Laws of Ohio 51]
- May 6, 1986: SB 54 [141 Laws of Ohio 49]
- March 4, 1996: HB 284 [146 Laws of Ohio 3654]
- June 3, 2005: HB 66 [126th GA]
- December 31, 2008: HB 420 [Enacting O.R.C. §§307.51 et seq.]

150TH ANNIVERSARY EVENTS

The Cleveland Law Library decided to celebrate its 150th Anniversary in a big way with a variety of events and activities. Festivities started early when Law Library Board members and employees helped to staff a Legal Aid Brief Advice Clinic at the Cleveland Public Library's downtown branch on May 15, 2019. The Law Library also successfully applied for membership in the Western Reserve Historical Society's (WRHS) 100-Year Club. [Image #26]

To preserve memories of the Cleveland Law Library's past and present, the Law Library also collected and recorded oral histories from members, board members, and present

staff. The Law Library would like to thank the following individuals for contributing to this effort:

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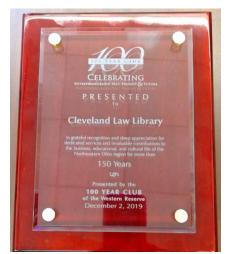
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With prior permission, the Law Library will be incorporating sound bites from some of these oral histories into a short, commemorative video.

By far the Cleveland Law Library's biggest event was planned for April 23, 2020 during National Library Week on "Take Action for Libraries Day," a day that the American Library Association dedicated to "rally advocates to support libraries." Events would have included a one-hour CLE program in the afternoon and a Cocktail Reception in the Cuyahoga County Courthouse Rotunda in the evening. [Image #27]

The Law Library had planned to give every attendee a copy of this booklet, along with a coaster and reusable grocery bag, both of which were imprinted with the Law Library's



Image #27

Anniversary logo. The Law Library had also scheduled a number of activities for guests throughout the evening. [Image #28] Unfortunately, the Law Library was not able to hold its April 23rd events due to the Coronavirus Pandemic.

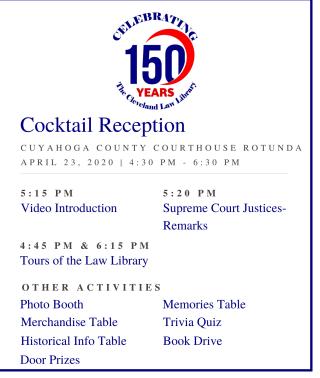


Image #28

Although they would have been the highlight of 2020, the Cleveland Law Library also planned the following smaller, monthly events for members throughout the year. [Image #29] Some of these events were cancelled due to the Pandemic, and others were converted to digital activities.

MONTH	EVENT
JANUARY	Book Dominoes
FEBRUARY	Jumbo Jenga
MARCH	Hands-on Oculus Go Demonstrations
APRIL	Scavenger Hunt
MAY	Star Wars 'May the 4th Be With You' Selfie Station
JUNE	Spelling Bee for Lawyers
JULY	Mini Golf
AUGUST	Judge Law Books by Their First Lines
SEPTEMBER	Signing of A Mock Law Library Constitution
OCTOBER	Law Library Scrabble
NOVEMBER	Member Appreciation Week
DECEMBER	Decorate Your Own Cookie

Image #29

Finally, the Law Library called on all adventurous members to try out a simple, fifteenminute Escape Room that it created based on a true crime and mystery surrounding former Law Librarian Arthur W. Fiske, Esq. [Image #30] Reservations were accepted throughout 2020 for teams of two-four players, and teams that successfully solved the puzzles and clues earned a small prize at the end of the game. *LexisNexis* also provided a grand prize for the team with the fastest time.



Image #30

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JARVIS M. ADAMS, Esq.

Occupations: Attorney, Railroad Executive

Positions at the Law Library: Founding Member, Trustee, Vice-President

Biography: Jarvis M. Adams was a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, and he served on its Board from 1874-1880. He also held the title of Vice-President from 1875-1881. At the age of 18, Mr. Adams began attending Castleton Seminary, a boarding school located in Vermont. Following his time preparing for college at Castleton, Adams entered Williams, graduating in 1851. For approximately two years, he worked with Hon. Robert Potter of Whitehall, until his admittance to the New York Bar in 1853. He left New York with the intent to practice in Cleveland, but he soon discovered that he would have to be a resident of the State for one



year before he could practice. As a result, Mr. Adams took a job teaching in Portage County, moving back to Cleveland in 1854 to work as a deputy in the Clerk's office. In 1855, Mr. Adams opened his own law firm called Adams & Canfield, where he worked while also serving as the President of the New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio Railroad.

WILLIAM W. ANDREWS, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Position at CLLA: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, William W. Andrews signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. When Mr. Andrews graduated from Western Reserve University in 1859, he studied law in the office of his father, Judge Sherlock J. Andrews and then became a member of the Ohio Bar. During his legal practice, Mr. Andrews was affiliated with the law firms of Williams & Kaiser and Barber & Williams. For several years, Mr. Andrews served as an Ohio State Bar Examiner, and he was a member of both the Cleveland Board of Education and the Cleveland Bar Association.



ELGIN A. ANGELL, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, Elgin A. Angell, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. Mr. Angell began work in Pennsylvania's oil country upon graduation from Harvard College. However, he became motivated to become an attorney and enrolled in Harvard Law School in 1873. Angell worked as a math tutor throughout law school, until his graduation in 1875. Beginning in 1877, Angell began practicing law in Cleveland. He was appointed by Ohio's Governor William McKinley to investigate and make recommendations as to



the state taxation system. From that point forward, most of Mr. Angell's work was in tax and patent law. Mr. Angell boarded the French liner, LaBourgogne, in July 1898 with the intent of traveling to visit family in Europe. Sadly, the ship sank in the Nova Scotia Sea near Sable Island after a collision with a British ship, the Cromartyshire, and Mr. Angell went down with the ship.

FREDERICK B. AVERY

Occupations: Librarian, Reverend

Positions at the Law Library: Founding Member, Librarian **Biography:** Reverend Frederick Burt Avery was a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association. He also served as the Cleveland Law Library's second Librarian, from January 3, 1874 through August 1, 1876. At a Board meeting in July of 1876, the Board adopted a unanimous resolution thanking Mr. Avery "for his faithful and acceptable services as librarian." In May of 1877, Rev. Avery received one share of stock in the Cleveland Law Library Association in return for donating six books to the Law Library.



JAN RYAN BABBIT, Esq., MLS (fna NOVAK)

Occupations: Attorney, Librarian

Positions at the Law Library: Librarian, Secretary, Treasurer

Biography: Jan Ryan Babbit, Esq., MLS, served two roles for the Cleveland Law Library Association as its Secretary/Treasurer from 1988-2002. She was also employed at the Cleveland Law Library for 17 years, first as its Assistant Director from 1985-1987, and later as its Director or head Librarian from 1987-2002. Mrs. Babbit's leadership at the Cleveland Law Library was transformational. Under her direction, the Cleveland Law Library launched its first web page, introduced patrons to digital resources and online research guides, and offered remote access services through the Members' Only



page. She also established new membership categories for law firms and seniors and created a research services program to supplement the Law Library's extensive reference services. Mrs. Babbit was elected as the President of the Ohio Regional Association of Law Libraries in 1991. She obtained her Masters in Library Science from Kent State University and her law degree from Cleveland-Marshall College of Law. Before joining the staff of the Cleveland Law Library, Mrs. Babbit worked as a Sci-Tech Reference Librarian and later a Department Head for the Cleveland Public Library from 1972-1984. After retiring from the Cleveland Law Library at Cleveland-Marshall College of Law.

Hon. GERSHOM M. BARBER

Occupations: Judge, Attorney, Professor, Military Officer

Positions at the Law Library: Founding Member, Trustee, President, Secretary, Treasurer

Biography: In addition to being a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, the Honorable Gershom M. Barber held many important roles on its Board, including Trustee from 1872-1899, President from 1881-1899, Secretary from 1872-1881, and Treasurer from 1873-1881. Due to his expertise in purchasing books for the Cleveland Law Library, Judge Barber was made a life member of the Law Library in 1885. Judge Barber graduated from Michigan University (1850), and he was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1857. Before



Judge Barber became an attorney, he taught mathematics and languages at the Baldwin Institute. He also served in the Civil War as a Captain and later a Lieutenant Colonel. Near the end of the War, he was recommended for the honorary title of Brevet Brigadier General for his meritorious service. After the War, Judge Barber was elected to a newly created Superior Court to relieve the caseload of the local Common Pleas Court. In 1875, Judge Barber was elected to one of four new positions added to the Common Pleas Court, a position he held for at least ten years. When the Cleveland Bar Association was organized in 1873, Judge Barber served as its first Treasurer.

ROBERT E. BARNER, Esq.

Occupations: Attorney, Librarian, Naval Officer

Positions at the Law Library: Librarian, Secretary, Treasurer

Biography: Robert E. Barner, Esq. enjoyed a 25-year library career with the Cleveland Law Library, and in 1984, he succeeded Arthur W. Fiske, Esq. as chief Librarian. He also served two roles for the Cleveland Law Library Association as its Secretary from 1984-1988 and its Treasurer from 1985-1988. Mr. Barner's brief tenure as the chief Librarian was punctuated by landmark decisions to join the CLEVNET Consortium and begin to automate the Law Library's legal research capabilities, catalog and circulation system, and telephone system. Mr. Barner received his law degree from



Western Reserve University. He also served as a Lieutenant in the United States Navy during World War II. After receiving naval training at both Oberlin College and Cornell University, Mr. Barner joined the Naval Reserves and retired twenty years later as a Lieutenant Commander.

ANSON W. BEMAN, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Positions at the Law Library: Founding Member, Trustee

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, Anson W. Beman, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. Mr. Beman was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1863. After practicing law for a short period of time in Ravenna Ohio at the law firm of Willard & Beman, he moved to Cleveland and became a partner in the law firm of Eddy, Gaylord & Beman, which later became known as Beman & Cowin. For the last 13 years of his legal practice, Mr. Beman engaged in business law as a solo practitioner. From 1889-1991, Mr. Beman was an elected member of the Cleveland Board of Education, and in 1891,



Ohio's Governor appointed Mr. Beman to the State Board of Equalization.

ALTON A. BEMIS, Esq.

Occupations: Attorney, Librarian

Positions at the Law Library: Librarian, Trustee, President, Secretary, Treasurer

Biography: Alton A. Bemis, Esq. was a local Cleveland attorney and member of the Cleveland Bar Association who practiced law for over 30 years. He also served as the Librarian of the Cleveland Law Library from 1883-1889. He was a member of the Board of the Cleveland Law Library Association, serving as its Secretary/ Treasurer from 1889-1897 and then later as its President from 1911-1922. While employed as a Librarian, Mr. Bemis co-authored a book with Norton T. Horr, Esq. entitled *A Treatise on the Power to Enact, Passage, Validity and Enforcement: of Municipal Police Ordinances*



(Robert Clarke & Co., 1887). Messrs. Bemis and Horr dedicated their book to the Cleveland Law Library Association, "its Library having furnished the material for this book."

SHERYL KING BENFORD, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Positions at the Law Library: Board Member, Vice-Chair and Chair of the CLLRB

Biography: Sheryl King Benford, Esq. has served as a member of the Cuyahoga County Law Library Resources Board since 2009, during which she held the titles of Vice-Chair from 2009-2014 and Chair from 2014-present. Since 2000, Ms. Benford has served dual roles at the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority (RTA) as General Counsel and Deputy General Manager for Legal Affairs. Ms. Benford previously worked as the Law Director for Shaker Heights and the Assistant Law Director of Cleveland. She has also served as an Assistant Dean at Cleveland-Marshall College of Law



(C-M), where she taught as an adjunct professor, received the Distinguished Alumna Award, and received a place of honor in the C-M Hall of Fame. She is a past Chair of the Board of the International Municipal Lawyers Association and currently a member of the American Public Transit Association Legal Affairs Committee. She holds a B.S. in Education from Wilberforce University, an M.S. in Education from the University of Akron, and a J.D. from Cleveland-Marshall College of Law. She is also graduate of the Harvard University Program for Senior Executives in State and Local Government, and she is a past President of the Cuyahoga County Law Directors Association and the Ohio Municipal Lawyers Association. Ms. Benford is affiliated with a number of volunteer organizations, including the Cleveland Sight Center.

Hon. JESSE P. BISHOP

Occupations: Judge, Attorney

Positions at the Law Library: Founding Member, Trustee, President

Biography: Judge Jesse P. Bishop was a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association. He also served on the Board from 1875-1881 as the Law Library's President. Judge Bishop graduated from Western Reserve College in 1837 and then began to study law with several lawyers and judges, including: Hon. R. P. Spalding; Andrews, Foote & Hoyt; and Varnum J. Card. In August of 1839, Judge Bishop was admitted to practice law in Ohio and entered into a partnership with Mr. Card. A year later, following the death of Mr. Card, Judge Bishop joined with Franklin T. Backus. In 1856, Judge Bishop was elected to



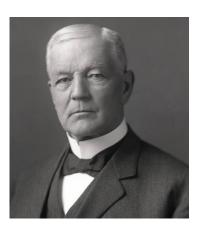
the Court of Common Pleas for the Cuyahoga County District for the term of five years. He was the author of the *The Cleveland Law Record*, 1856, Vol. 1: Devoted Principally to the Report of Leading Cases in the Several Courts in Ohio and Other States, and Especially to Those in the District Court of Cuyahoga County, Ohio (Harris, Fairbanks & Co., 1856-1857).

Hon. EDWIN J. BLANDIN

Occupation: Attorney

Positions at the Law Library: Trustee, Vice-President

Biography: Judge Edwin J. Blandin was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Cleveland Law Library Association from 1900-1903, and he served as Vice-President of the Board from 1901-1903. Judge Blandin attended Hillsdale College and Commercial College of Cleveland, and he was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1870. In 1893, Judge Blandin and William L. Rice founded the law firm of Blandin & Rice. This firm changed names many times, and today, it is known as Jones Day. Judge Blandin served as a municipal court judge and on the Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court. He was also a member of the City of Cleveland



School Board in 1873 and 1874, and he served as the 1st Vice-President of the Cleveland Chamber of Commerce from 1904-1905.

WILLIAM J. BOARDMAN, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Positions at the Law Library: Founding Member, Trustee, Chair, Vice-President

Biography: William Jarvis Boardman, Esq. was a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association. He was also one of the first members to contribute books to the Cleveland Law Library's collection. He was chosen as the Board's first Chair when the Association was created in 1869. Thereafter, Mr. Boardman served on the Board from 1870-1882, including his role as Vice-President at two different times from 1870-1874 and 1881-1882. He attended Kenyon College, followed by Trinity College, where he received his undergraduate degree in 1854. He then enrolled at



Yale, transferred to Harvard, and graduated with a law degree in 1856. Briefly, he worked for the law offices of Samuel B. and Frederick J. Prentiss. However, upon passing the bar, Mr. Boardman opened his own practice. Over the years, he served as the Director of the Commerce Branch Bank of Cleveland and the Commercial National Bank. Mr. Boardman later became the Director and General Counsel of the Valley Railway Co. in 1877. He was also a philanthropist who served with various organizations, including the Cleveland Library Association (which was later renamed the Case Library), Kenyon College, Adelbert College of Western Reserve University, and Trinity Church.

Hon. THOMAS K. BOLTON

Occupations: Judge, Attorney

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, Thomas

K. Bolton signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. Judge Bolton studied law in New York, but he came to Cleveland in 1834 to study law with an attorney named James L. Conger. Judge Bolton was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1835, and a year later, he and Judge Moses Kelly formed the law firm of Bolton & Kelley. In 1839, Judge Bolton was elected as Prosecuting Attorney of Cuyahoga County. During his tenure in this role, he gained notoriety for successfully defending three slaves who had been kidnapped and wrongfully enslaved by their owners. That same year, Judge Bolton helped to draft Cleveland's City Charter and



served as the Clerk for the City's first elections. He was thereafter elected as a City Councilman in 1839, after which he became an Alderman and the President of Council in 1841. In 1856, Judge Bolton was elected as a Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, where he served for ten years until his retirement from the bench and the practice of law. Judge Bolton graduated from Harvard University in 1833.

JOSEPH J. BROOKS, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney **Position at the Law Library:** Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, Joseph J. Brooks, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. He moved to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania in 1881, where he accepted a position as Assistant Counsel of the Pittsburgh Cincinnati Chicago 81 St. Louis Railway Co., known as the Pennsylvania Lines West of Pittsburgh. Mr. Brooks attended the Williston Seminary in Massachusetts, studied law in Salem, Ohio, and graduated from Cambridge Law School.



ISAAC BUCKINGHAM, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, Isaac Buckingham, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. Mr. Buckingham was also one of the first few individuals to contribute books to the Cleveland Law Library's collection. Mr. Buckingham went to law school in Cleveland, and he was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1859-1860. He originally practiced with the firm of Kelly & Griswold, which included Mr. Buckingham's former teacher, Judge Seneca O. Griswold. Mr. Buckingham's legal career was cut abruptly short when he died at the age of only 38.

HENRY C. BUNTS, Esq.

Occupations: Attorney, Librarian, City Solicitor **Position at the Law Library:** Librarian

Biography: In March of 1878, Henry C. Bunts, Esq. was appointed as the Librarian of the Cleveland Law Library, where he was employed until October of 1881. During his tenure, the Board authorized Mr. Bunts to prepare briefs for attorneys so long as this employment did not interfere with his duties as Librarian. Upon resigning as Librarian, Mr. Bunts was admitted to the Ohio Bar. In 1877, he took a job at the law offices of Kain & Gary. He later followed in the footsteps of his father, Captain W.C. Bunts, by becoming an Assistant City of Cleveland Solicitor.



Hon. KATHLEEN B. BURKE

Occupations: United States Magistrate, Attorney Position at the Law Library: Trustee, President

Biography: Magistrate Kathleen B. Burke was a member of the Board of the Cleveland Law Library Association from 2002-2009, and she served as the President of the Board from 2002-2005. Magistrate Burke obtained her undergraduate and law degrees from St. John's University, where she served as an editor of the Law Review. She was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1973 and then began her legal career as an associate as the law firm of Jones Day. She became a partner there in 1982 and focused on commercial litigation for over 25 years until 2009,



when she was appointed as the Director of the Ohio Lottery Commission from 2009 to 2011. Thereafter, she was appointed as a United States Magistrate Judge for the Northern District of Ohio on August 20, 2011. In 1993, Magistrate Burke became the Ohio State Bar Association's first female president. She was a founding member of the Ohio Women's Bar Association, and in 2002, she received the Ohio Bar Medal Award.

THEODORE E. BURTON, Esq.

Occupations: Attorney, Congressman

Positions at the Law Library: Founding Member, Trustee, Vice-President, Auditor

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, Theodore E. Burton, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. He also served as a member of the Board of Trustees from 1872-1875, during which time he held the titles of both Vice-President and Auditor. Mr. Burton was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1875 and began practicing law in Cleveland. He served on Cleveland's City Council from 1886-1888. Thereafter, he was elected to the United States House of Representatives multiple times from 1889-1891, 1895-1909, and 1921-1928. He also served as



a United States Senator from 1909-1915 and 1928-1929. Some of his key achievements were to help preserve Niagara Falls and co-sponsor the Sherman Antitrust Act. When he retired from the practice of law, Mr. Burton became the President of Merchants' National Bank in New York City. He was the author of several books, including *Financial Crises and Periods of Industrial and Commercial Depression* (Appleton and Company, 1907), *Modern Political Tendencies and the Effect of the War Thereon* (Princeton University Press, 1919), and *The Regulation of Corporations* (LaSalle Extension University, 1923). Mr. Burton graduated from Oberlin College in 1872. He was the President of the American Peace Society for many years.

Hon. DARIUS CADWELL

Occupations: Judge, Attorney, State Legislator, Union Army officer Positions at the Law Library: Founding Member, Trustee, Vice-President, Auditor

Biography: The Honorable Darius Cadwell was a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association. He also served various roles on the Board as a Trustee from 1881-1891, Vice-President from 1884-1891, and Auditor for a year in 1891. Judge Cadwell graduated from law school in 1844 and shortly thereafter joined the law firm of Rufus P. Ranney and Charles Simmonds. He also served as an Ohio State Representative from 1856-58 and an Ohio Senator from 1858-60. In the early 1870's, Judge Cadwell partnered with Andrew J. Marvin for a few years. In 1873, he was elected to the Cuyahoga County Court of



Common Pleas, where he served until 1884. When his second term on the Court expired, Judge Cadwell returned to the private law practice he started in Cleveland in the early 1870s.

THOMAS J. CARRAN, Esq.

Occupations: Attorney, Ohio Senator, Army Officer Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, Thomas J. Carran, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. Mr. Carran was a graduate of Western Reserve College, where he taught for a short time after obtaining his degree. He served as a Lieutenant and later Army Captain during the Civil War. After the end of the War, Mr. Carran began studying law in Cleveland with the firm of Ranney, Bachus & Noble and was later admitted to the Ohio Bar. In 1867, he became the youngest man to be appointed as the City Attorney in Cleveland. In 1878, Mr. Carran



was elected to the Ohio Senate, during which time he helped to secure financing to erect the Soldiers and Sailors Monument on Public Square in Cleveland. In 1887, he moved to California, where he resumed the practice of law. Mr. Carran was also a Mason.

MARSHALL S. CASTLE, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Positions at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: Marshall S. Castle, Esq. was a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association. After studying law with his brother-in-law, Judge J. L. Greene, he was admitted to practice law in Ohio in 1844. The local bar unanimously chose Mr. Castle to represent Cuyahoga County at the State Constitutional Convention of 1857-1858. His practice was devoted to criminal law, and he served as an Assistant Prosecuting Attorney and then the Prosecuting Attorney for Cuyahoga County from 1865-1867.

Hon. HENRY BARDWELL CHAPMAN

Occupations: Judge, Attorney

Positions at the Law Library: Trustee, President

Biography: The Honorable Henry B. Chapman, who was also known by the nickname of "Uncle Bard," served as a Trustee of the Cleveland law Library Association from 1897-1918, and he held the title of President from 1906-1911. In 1894, Judge Chapman formed a partnership in Cleveland with an attorney named Paul Howland, who also served as a President of the Law Library Association's Board. Judge Chapman also served on the local Common Pleas Court. He was a graduate of Oberlin College (1885) and Harvard Law School.



THEODORE R. CHASE, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, Theodore R. Chase, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. Mr. Chase graduated from the University of Michigan in 1849. He studied law in Cleveland at the Bishop law office, and he was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1854, thereafter practicing law in Cleveland for over 20 years. In 1868, he was appointed as the Professor of Medical Jurisprudence & Psychological Disease at the Cleveland Homeopathic Medical College. In 1875, he moved to Detroit, where he practiced law while holding positions with the New York Central Iron Mills and other manufacturing



companies. Mr. Chase was the Recording Secretary of the Western Reserve Historical Society from 1871-1872.

CHERYL CHEATHAM

Occupation: Librarian

Position at the Law Library: Board Member and Vice-Chair of the CLLRB

Biography: Cheryl Cheatham has served on the Cuyahoga County Law Library Resources Board (CLLRB) since 2016. In addition, Mrs. Cheatham has held the position of CLLRB Vice-Chair since 2017.



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JOHN COON, Esq.

Occupations: Attorney, Businessman, Newspaper Publisher Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, John Coon, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. After he graduated from Yale University in 1847, Mr. Coon returned home to Cleveland and was elected City Clerk. He then studied law with the firm of Andrews & Foot and was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1848. For two years from 1849-1850, Mr. Coon worked as a Clerk for Secretary of the Interior, Thomas Ewing. Thereafter Mr. Coon became the joint owner and publisher of *The Cleveland Herald* from 1850-1852. He also served as City Solicitor for Cleveland from 1855-1857. After serving as

a Paymaster in the Army during the Civil War, Mr. Coon helped to incorporate the Cleveland Railway Motor Co. in 1868. Several years later, he became the President of the Broadway & Newburgh Street Railroad Co.

HOWARD A. COUSE, Esq.

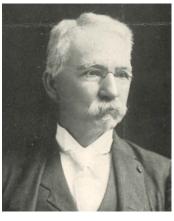
Occupations: Attorney, Author

Positions at the Law Library: Librarian, Trustee, Secretary, Treasurer

Biography: Howard A. Couse, Esq. served as the Cleveland Law Library Association's Secretary from 1897-1911 and its Treasurer from 1897-1900. He later served one additional year on the Board in 1918. Although Mr. Couse was appointed as the Librarian of the Cleveland Law Library in 1898, he never actually worked in this position. Mr. Couse worked as both a telegraph operator and a bank cashier before entering law school. Once he obtained his law degree, he began practicing law in Cleveland in 1894, and for thirteen years of his legal career, he was a partner in the law firm of Henry & Couse. Mr. Couse was the author of several books on Ohio corporate law, but he is best known for *Couse's Ohio Form*

Book, which was originally published in 1907 under the title *Forms and Precedents for Conveyancing and Business Transactions*, and which is now in its 6th edition. Mr. Couse was a graduate of Allegheny College (1891) and Yale Law School, where he served as editor of the Yale Law Journal from 1893-1894.

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Hon. LYMAN R. CRITCHFIELD

Occupations: Judge, Attorney

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, Judge Lyman R. Critchfield signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. In addition, when the Cleveland Bar Association was created at the Law Library in 1873, Judge Critchfield served as its first Corresponding Secretary. He graduated as the valedictorian of Wesleyan University in 1852 with a Bachelor of Arts degree and then went on to obtain a Master of Arts. Judge Critchfield studied law in Columbus in the office of George E. Pugh, who was then the Attorney General of the State of Ohio. He was



admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1853, after which he opened a law office in Millersburg, Ohio before the Civil War began. In 1859 and again in 1861, Judge Critchfield was elected as the Prosecuting Attorney of Holmes County. He resigned from this position in 1862 when he was elected Attorney General of Ohio from 1863-1865. The following year, Judge Critchfield was elected to the Ohio State Senate. From 1872-1878, Judge Critchfield practiced law in Cleveland. When his son, Lyman R. Critchfield. Jr., passed the Ohio Bar in 1891, father and son opened a law practice together. Judge Critchfield was a member of the Masons.

AMOS DENISON, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, Amos Denison, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. Mr. Denison spent a large part of his professional legal career as a partner in the law firm of Wyman, Hamilton & Denison, which thereafter changed names twice to Hamilton & Denison and Denison & Tyler. Thereafter, Mr. Denison was associated for a brief period of time with Judge William E. Sherwood, before the Judge was elected to the bench. Thereafter, Mr. Denison went into solo practice and took on cases as a referee. In his personal life, Mr. Denison was a long-time member of the Cleveland Vocal Society.



He also served as a trustee of the Case School of Applied Science. Interestingly, Mr. Denison's home in Parma, Ohio served an "underground station" for runaway slaves during the Civil War.

MARCELLUS DEVAUGHN, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Positions at the Law Library: Trustee, President

Biography: Marcellus DeVaughn, Esq. was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Cleveland Law Library Association from 1932-1942 and President from 1941-1942. He graduated from Washington & Jefferson College in 1907 and then specialized in Education at Cornell University in 1909. After working as an executive in various public schools, Mr. DeVaughn graduated from Western Reserve Law School and was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1915. He briefly practiced with Bartholomew, Leeper & White from 1915-1917, then



became the Assistant Prosecuting Attorney of Cuyahoga County from 1917-1919, and then joined the firm of Baker, Hostetler & Sidlo. He was a member of the City Club and the Cleveland Bar Association.

Hon. JOHN T. DEWEESE

Occupations: Attorney, Judge, Congressman, Military Officer **Position at the Law Library:** Founding Member

Biography: Judge John T. Deweese was a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association. He was originally admitted to the Kentucky Bar in 1856, and by 1859, he was a partner in the firm of Allen, Usher & Deweese. During the Civil War, he achieved the rank of Brevet Brigadier General. After the War, he was appointed as a Bankruptcy Commissioner for North Carolina and later elected to the United States Congress from North Carolina from 1868 to 1870. At one time, he also served as a Judge of a Provost Court for 32 North Carolina counties, with Raleigh as his seat. Thereafter, Judge Deweese permanently moved to Cleveland to resume practicing law.



HOMER B. DEWOLF, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Positions at the Law Library: Secretary, Founding Member

Biography: When the members of the bar of Cuyahoga County met to create the Cleveland Law Library Association, Homer B. DeWolf, Esq. served as its first Secretary. As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, he also signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. In Cleveland, Mr. DeWolf served as an Assistant Prosecuting Attorney and later as the Prosecuting Attorney for Cuyahoga County. He was a founding member of the Cleveland Bar Association, and he served on its first Executive Committee. Mr. DeWolf was a graduate of Oberlin College, and he attended law school in Cleveland.

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GEORGE DOWNING, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Positions at the Law Library: Trustee, Vice-President

Biography: George Downing, Esq. was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Cleveland Law Library Association from 1977-1997, and he served as the Vice-President of the Board from 1988-1997. He graduated from Case Western Reserve Law School and was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1962. Mr. Downing was a partner with the law firm of Baker Hostetler from 1962-2015, during which he practiced in the areas of intellectual property and environmental law. He worked on contracts for icons such as Charles Schulz, who was known for the Peanuts comic strip, and Jim Davis, who was known for his character, Garfield, the cat. Mr. Downing was the Community

Advisor to the Cleveland Music School Settlement and a member of the American Bar Association, the Ohio Bar Association, the Cleveland Bar Association, the Copyright Society, the Philosophical Club, the Cleveland Skating Club, and the Rowfant Club.

KATHLEEN M. DUGAN, Esq. MLS

Occupations: Attorney, Librarian

Positions at the Law Library: Librarian, Secretary, Treasurer

Biography: Kathleen M. Dugan, Esq., MLS has served as the chief Librarian of the Cleveland Law Library for the past 17 years. Under her leadership, the Law Library

has instituted many new programs and services for members, including new databases and eBooks, CLE programs, email document delivery services, legal clinics, and book discussions. She also developed several strategic partnerships and focused on digital technologies. She is very proud of the role she played in the Law Library's transition from a private association library to a vital and thriving law library that is jointly operated by its non-profit founder and county law library partner. Ms. Dugan graduated from John Carroll University, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law, and Kent State's Library Science Masters Program. Before becoming a law librarian, Ms. Dugan practiced at a small law firm in Cleveland. She

is an active member of the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association and its Justice for All Committee. She also teaches CLE classes on legal research and is a regular contributor to the Bar Journal's column on Legal Research & Writing, the Ohio Regional Association of Law Libraries' Newsletter, and the Cleveland edition of the *Attorney at Law Magazine*.





THOMAS EMERY, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney **Position at the Law Library:** Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, Thomas Emery, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. Mr. Emery was born in England, but his parents immigrated to Cleveland, Ohio in 1850. He later studied law with Bishop & Adams and graduated from law school in Cleveland in 1868. Thereafter, he moved to Paulding County Ohio to practice for several years before returning to Cleveland in 1874 to practice law with former Bucyrus Judge, A.M. Jackson, for a few years. In 1879, Mr. Emery moved to Bryan, Ohio where he practiced law with Charles H. Masters from 1888-1893, served as counsel for the Lake



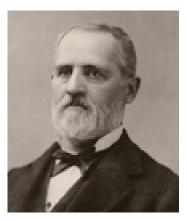
Shore & Michigan Southern Railroad, and held the title of Prosecuting Attorney for Williams County beginning in 1886.

EPHRAIM J. ESTEP, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, Ephraim J. Estep, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. Mr. Estep was also one of the original contributors to the Cleveland Law Library's print collection. After he was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1845, he started practicing law in Lisbon, Ohio. He later moved to Canfield, where he started the law firm of Mason & Estep with an attorney named James Mason. Both men later moved their firm to Cleveland, where Mr. Estep practiced for the next 42 years. Throughout his legal career in Cleveland, Mr. Estep created three other partnerships, including Hitchcock & Estep, Backus & Estep, and Estep & Burke.



ERNEST A. FEAZEL, Esq.

Occupations: Attorney, Librarian

Positions at the Law Library: Librarian, Secretary, Treasurer **Biography:** Ernest A. Feazel, Esq. served as the Librarian of the Cleveland Law Library for 29 years from 1901-1930. During and after his Library service, Mr. Feazel also held two roles with the Cleveland Law Library Association as its Secretary and Treasurer from 1911-1935. Mr. Feazel operated the Law Library during its boon period when both the collection and memberships grew, and the Law Library moved to its present home on the 4th floor of the Cuyahoga County Courthouse. He also helped to establish the American Association of Law Libraries and served as its President for two years. Because of his dedication to the profession of law librarianship, Mr. Feazel was inducted as a

"Pioneer" into the American Association of Law Libraries Hall of Fame in 2010. He obtained his law degree from Western Reserve University in 1897, after which he taught there for the next few years. Mr. Feazel was a Mason who helped to build the Masonic Temple in Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

BENJAMIN F. FIERY, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Positions at the Law Library: Trustee, Vice-President

Biography: Benjamin F. Fiery, Esq. served on the Board of Trustees of the Cleveland Law Library Association from 1960-1976, and he held the title of Vice-President from 1967-1975. Mr. Fiery graduated from Washington & Lee University with an A. B. degree in 1913 and from Harvard Law School in 1916. He was admitted to the Bars of West Virginia and Ohio in 1916 and 1917, respectively. In 1917, he graduated from the Ohio State School of Military Aeronautics. Thereafter, he served as a pilot in the U.S. Air Service during World War I and as the Private Secretary to the Secretary of War, Newton D. Baker, from 1919-1921 under President Woodrow Wilson. Beginning

in 1921, Mr. Fiery was engaged in the practice of law in Cleveland at the law firm of Baker, Hostetler, Sidlo and Patterson, where he served as the firm's Managing Partner from 1948-1964. For more than 30 years of his legal career, Mr. Fiery served as General Counsel to the American League of Professional Baseball Clubs. He was a member of the American Bar Association, the Ohio State Bar Association, the Cleveland Bar Association, the Court of *Nisi Prius*, and the University Club.





ARTHUR W. FISKE, Esq.

Occupations: Attorney, Librarian, Legislator, Clerk **Positions at the Law Library:** Librarian, Secretary, Treasurer **Biography:** Arthur W. Fiske, Esq. was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1933. In the 1930's, he joined the Law Library and could be seen there researching and writing briefs every day for a large law firm in Cleveland.

He originally joined the staff of the Cleveland Law Library in 1935 as an Assistant Librarian, beating out over 500 candidates for the job. He assumed the continuing roles of chief Librarian and Secretary/Treasurer on the Cleveland Law Library Association Board only a few years later in 1941 at a critical time



in this Country's history during World War II. During his tenure, Mr. Fiske introduced members to computerized legal research capabilities for the very first time and worked tirelessly to improve funding for Ohio's law libraries. He also instituted many important new programs for members, including telephone and on-site copying services, a new card cataloging system, and an audio-visual collection. He oversaw many renovations and improvements when the Law Library turned 100 years old in 1969 and again when the Law Library took over the entire 4th floor of the Courthouse in 1976. Two years before Mr. Fiske retired from the Law Library and its Board in 1984 to resume his private law practice, the Cuyahoga County Bar Association honored him at its annual Public Servants Merit Awards Luncheon.

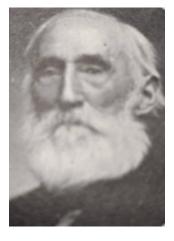
Mr. Fiske was a man of many talents. At some point in his career, he served as the Clerk of Euclid City Council for two years. While he was employed at the Law Library, he was elected to the Ohio House of Representatives, where he served from 1947-1948. As a legislator, Mr. Fiske was credited with the creation of Ohio's tuberculosis care program, and he championed an unpopular fair employment practices bill.

A self-described reformer, Mr. Fiske kept extremely busy in his personal and professional life. At the age of only 28, Mr. Fiske was elected as the youngest junior member of the Board of the Cleveland City Club. He is known as the 'Father' of Cuyahoga County's Public Defender system for having single-handedly established that program in 1960. To his credit, Mr. Fiske was also instrumental in the publication of the Ohio Administrative Code, and he helped the Cuyahoga County Commissioners establish a library at the jail in 1976. At one point in his career, Mr. Fiske served for eight years as the President of the Board of the County Library and in the role of Grand Jury Foreman.

Mr. Fiske obtained his undergraduate and law degrees from Western Reserve University (1933). While an undergraduate, Mr. Fiske played football, participated in the debate team, and taught public speaking.

JAMES FITCH, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney Position at the Law Library: Founding Member Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, James Fitch, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. Mr. Fitch began practicing law in Cleveland in 1849, and he was at one time the City Solicitor of Cleveland.



EDWIN J. FOSTER, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, Edwin J. Foster, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. He attended Baldwin University and Ohio Wesleyan University, and he graduated from Boston University Law School. Once he was admitted to practice law, Mr. Foster worked with attorneys named Hinsdale and A. G. and R. Carpenter. In retirement, Mr. Foster is credited with constructing several buildings.



Hon. CARL FRIEBOLIN

Occupations: Judge, Attorney, Bankruptcy Trustee, Professor **Positions at the Law Library:** Trustee, President

Biography: Judge Carl Friebolin was a member of the Board of the Cleveland Law Library Association from 1943-1967, and he served as its President from 1942-1967. Judge Friebolin graduated from Western Reserve University with a law degree in 1899. He elected to the Ohio House of Representatives in 1911 and then to the Ohio Senate in 1913. Before he completed his Senate term, he was appointed to the Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court for a short time. From 1916 until his death in 1967, Judge Friebolin was appointed as a federal bankruptcy referee. Having established himself as an expert in bankruptcy law, Judge Friebolin helped to



draft the 1938 National Bankruptcy Act and the rules of uniform procedure adopted by the National Association of Referees. From 1934-1959, he taught bankruptcy law at Western Reserve University, where a memorial scholarship was later established in his name. In his personal life, Judge Friebolin wrote amusing skits for the City Club of Cleveland's Anvil Revue productions.

DAVID W. GAGE, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney **Position at the Law Library:** Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, David W. Gage, Esq. signed the Law Library's 1870 Constitution. He was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1853-1854. Thereafter, he practiced law in both Ohio and Iowa. During his sojourn in Iowa, Mr. Gage served as Iowa's United States Commissioner.

GEORGE GALLOWAY

Occupation: Librarian

Position at the Law Library: Librarian

Biography: George Galloway was appointed as the first Librarian of the Cleveland Law Library. He served in this position for four years from 1870-1874. At the Law Library's Annual Meeting in December of 1873, the Cleveland Law Library Association's Board expressed its thanks to Mr. Galloway "for his faithfulness and energy in the discharge of his duty as Librarian."

FREDERICK H. GOFF, Esq.

Occupations: Attorney, Librarian, Mayor, Banker, Civic Leader **Positions at the Law Library:** Librarian, Trustee, Vice-President, Auditor

Biography: Frederick H. Goff, Esq. served as the Librarian of the Cleveland Law Library from 1881-1883. He was also a member of the Board of the Cleveland Law Library Association from 1895-1900, and he held the titles of Vice-President from 1899-1900 and Auditor from 1895-1899. Mr. Goff obtained a Ph.D. from the University of Michigan in 1881 and was later admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1883, after which he specialized in the fields of corporate law and estate planning. He was elected as the Mayor of Glenville in 1903 amidst controversy over the proposed annexation of Glenville to Cleveland. He became the

President of the Cleveland Trust Company in 1908 and helped to establish the Cleveland Foundation in 1914. At his death, Mr. Goff was also Vice-President of the Cleveland Terminal & Valley Railroad Company, as well as the Cleveland, Lorain & Wheeling Railroad Company.

JOHN C. GRANNIS, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Position at CLLA: Founding Member

Biography: When the Cleveland Bar Association was formed in 1873, John C. Grannis, Esq. and two other lawyers served as its first Vice-Presidents. He was also one of the first few lawyers who contributed books to the Cleveland Law Library's collection. At different times in his career, Mr. Grannis served as a City Solicitor and member of Cleveland's City Council. Mr. Grannis was a graduate of Oberlin College.





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Hon. SENECA O. GRISWOLD

Occupations: Judge, Attorney, State Legislator

Positions at the Law Library: Founding Member, Trustee, President **Biography:** In 1869, Judge Seneca O. Griswold was a key figure in creating the Cleveland Law Library Association and the Cleveland Law Library. Judge Griswold served as one of the Association's first five Board members, and he was the first President of the Board from 1870-1875. A native of Connecticut, Judge Griswold came to Ohio to attend Oberlin College. Although he returned home to Connecticut after graduation, he came back to Cleveland to study law at the firm of Bolton & Kelly. In 1873, he became the Judge of the Superior Court of Cleveland. This same year, Judge

Griswold assisted in the creation of the Cleveland Bar Association. He became one of the most prominent members of Cleveland society, practicing law for nearly forty years before his death.

JOSEPH N. GROSS, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Positions at the Law Library: Director, Vice-President, President **Biography:** Joseph N. Gross, Esq. has been a member of the Board of the Cleveland Law Library Association since 2002. He held the title of Vice-President from 2005-2006, and he served as the President from 2006 - 2020. He is a partner at the law firm of Benesch, Friedlander, Coplan & Aronoff, LLP in Benesch's Labor & Employment Practice Group. He focuses his practice on a variety of labor and employment matters and is certified by the Ohio State Bar Association as a Specialist in Labor & Employment Law. Before becoming an attorney, Mr. Gross served in the U.S.

Navy as a Chinese linguist, and then spent 18 years in the steel industry, working in several management areas, including industrial engineering, accounting, finance, and strategic planning. He frequently speaks on the topics of labor and employment, workers' compensation, and legal professionalism and ethics. Mr. Gross obtained a B.A. from the University of Missouri, an M.B.A. from Southern Illinois University, and a J.D. from Cleveland-Marshall College of Law. He currently serves as the Vice-President of the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association (CMBA), where he recently concluded a term as its Treasurer and will be its next President in June 2020. Mr. Gross is also a member, Past Trustee, and Past Chair of the CMBA's Certified Grievance Committee. He is also a member and Past Chair of the CMBA's Committee on Ethics and Professionalism. In his spare time, Mr. Gross has also been an Adjunct Professor of Professional Responsibility at Cleveland-Marshall College of Law.





DANIEL W. HAMMER, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Positions at the Law Library: Trustee, President

Biography: Daniel W. Hammer, Esq. was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Cleveland Law Library from 1991-2002. He also served as Vice-President of the Board from 1997-1998 and as President from 1998-2002. Mr. Hammer obtained his undergraduate degree from the University of Notre Dame in 1954, after which he served in United States Army for two years. After his military service, he returned to Notre Dame and obtained a Bachelor of Laws in 1959. From 1959-1961, Mr. Hammer served as a Law Clerk in the United States District Court in Cleveland. He then joined the law firm of Thompson, Hine and Flory as an Associate in 1961, and he has been a partner of that



firm since 1968. During his tenure at the firm, Mr. Hammer focused on litigation and securities law. He was the President of the Cleveland Bar Association from 1993-1994, and he is a Fellow of the American College Trial Lawyers. He is a member of the Ohio State Bar Association, the Cleveland Bar Association, the Shaker Heights Country Club, and the Pepper Pike Club.

WILLIAM H. HARVEY, Esq.

Occupations: Attorney, Author

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, William H. Harvey, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. Mr. Harvey was a teacher before he became an attorney. He was admitted to the Bar of West Virginia in 1870, where he initially practiced law. His career brought him to Cleveland at one point, but he also practiced in Chicago, Illinois and Gallipolis, Ohio. For a brief period in 1884, Mr. Harvey operated the Silver Bell Mine in Colorado, after which he returned to practice law and sell real estate on the side. Mr.



Harvey was the author of a number of books, including *Coin's Financial School* (1894), *The Remedy* (1915), *Common Sense* (1920), and *Paul's School of Statesmanship* (1924). In 1931, Mr. Harvey founded the Liberty Party and unsuccessfully ran for President of the United States.

Hon. JOHN W. HEISLEY

Occupations: Judge, Attorney

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, the Honorable John W. Heisley signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. Judge Heisley also helped to create the Cleveland Bar Association in 1873, and he served as one of three initial Vice-Presidents. He was a graduate of Dickinson College in Pennsylvania (1848), and he was admitted to practice law in Pennsylvania in 1849. He thereafter moved to Cleveland in 1854 and was elected as City Attorney three years later in 1857. In 1871, Judge Heisley formed the law firm of Heisleys & Green with his brother, William Heisley, and an attorney named Arnold Green, who was one of Judge Heisley's former students. When Mr. Green left the firm in 1872, the firm changed its name to Heisley & Heisley. It later became known as Heisleys & Young when a lawyer named P.F. Young joined the partnership for a few years. After practicing law in Cleveland for 29 years, Judge Heisley was elected to the Common Pleas Court in Cuyahoga County in 1883.

JOHN M. HENDERSON, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, John M. Henderson, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. Mr. Henderson was also a charter member of the Cleveland Bar Association. He practiced law in Cleveland for 70 years, starting after the end of the Civil War. During his career, Mr. Henderson served as counsel to John D. Rockefeller and was one of the first lawyers retained by the Standard Oil Company. Throughout his long tenure in Cleveland, Mr. Henderson held many professional and civic roles as a Trust Officer of the Cleveland Trust Company, President of the Sheriff



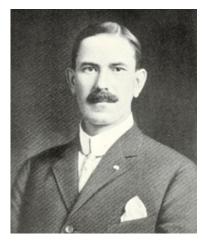
Street Market and Storage Company, President of the Board of Trustees of Case School of Applied Science for 24 years, and director of various banking and business companies. At his death, Mr. Henderson was a partner in the law firm of Henderson, Quail, McGraw & Barkley. He was educated at Kenyon College and Miami University, and he was a graduate of Cleveland Law School.

Hon. FREDERICK AUGUSTUS HENRY

Occupations: Judge, Attorney

Positions at the Law Library: President, Vice-President

Biography: Judge Frederick A. Henry, Esq. was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Cleveland Law Library Association from 1922-1934. He also served as the Vice-President of the Board from 1922-1925 and 1928-1930, and he held the office of President in 1930. Judge Henry graduated from Hiram College in 1888 and the University of Michigan in 1891. After being admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1891, he became a member of the law firm of Winch, Henry & Thompson for two years from 1897-1898. Thereafter, he practiced law with Ford, Henry, Baldwin & McGraw (later known as Ford, Snyder, Henry & McGraw) until 1905, when he was elected as a Judge of Cuyahoga County



Circuit Court of Ohio (now the 8th District Court of Appeals). In 1912, Judge Henry resigned from the bench and resumed the practice of law, first with the firm of Harrison W. McGraw, and later with the firm of Snyder, Henry, Thomsen, Ford & Seagrave. While practicing law, Judge Henry also served as a Professor of Law at Western Reserve University from 1894-1911. He was a member of Cleveland Chamber of Commerce, the Northeastern Historical Genealogical Society, the Philosophical Club of Cleveland, *Nisi Prius*, and several social clubs.

JOHN F. HERRICK, Esq.

Occupations: Attorney, Army Officer, Ohio Senator **Position at the Law Library:** Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, John F. Herrick, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. He also served as a Captain and eventually a Lieutenant Colonel during the Civil War. After the War, Mr. Herrick started a law partnership with his brother, Gamaliel E. Herrick until 1892. Although he was also a senior partner in another law firm named Herrick, Athey & Bliss, he withdrew to become a solo practitioner. However, he was elected as an Ohio Senator in 1901, where he was instrumental in creating Ohio's system of Juvenile Courts. In his twilight years, Mr. Herrick



represented both the E. Cleveland Street Railroad Co. and Cowell Platform & Coupler. Mr. Herrick was a graduate of Oberlin College, and he obtained his law degree in 1863.

Hon. EDWARD L. HESSENMUELLER

Occupations: Judge, Lawyer

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, Judge Edward L. Hessenmueller, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. Judge Hessenmueller was born in Germany, where he attended the University of Halle, but he emigrated to the United States in 1936. He was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1939, after which he moved to Cleveland to practice law. Judge Hessenmueller served five terms as a local justice of the peace and two terms as a judge in police court beginning in 1860. From 1846-1853, Judge Hessenmueller published *Germania*, which the first local German newspaper. The Judge was very

active in many organizations, and he served as the President of the German Central Military Committee, the Director of the City Infirmary, a trustee of Society for Savings, Secretary of Teutonia Insurance Co., and President of the Cleveland Gesangverein.

PAUL HOWLAND, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney, Lieutenant, Congressman

Position at the Law Library: President, 1938-1941; Vice Pres, 1928 & 1930-1937

Biography: Paul Howland, Esq., a graduate of both Oberlin College and Harvard Law School, was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1890. Upon his admittance, he entered into a partnership with H.E. Starkey, moving on to a partnership with Judge H.B. Chapman in 1894. In 1898, he joined the call to fight in the Spanish American War, serving as a Second Lieutenant of the First Ohio Volunteer Calvary. In 1906, he was elected to Congress, serving in various capacities. During his lifetime, he was also active in the American Bar Association, the Republican National Convention, and the Cleveland Chamber of Commerce. He was a 32nd degree Mason and belonged to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

WILLIAM I. HUDSON, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: William I. Hudson, Esq. was a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association. From 1875-1878, he served as a Master Commissioner in charge of real estate sales through the Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court.





Hon. JOHN HUTCHINS

Occupations: Judge, Attorney, Statesman, Congressman Positions at the Law Library: Founding member, President Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, Judge John Hutchins signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. He also served as a member of the Board of Trustees from 1869-1881. Judge Hutchins studied law in the office of former Governor David Tod of Warren, Ohio. After he was admitted to the Bar, he became a member of the law firm of Tod, Hoffman & Hutchins. He also served five years as the Clerk of Court for Trumbull County and as a member of the Ohio General Assembly for several years. In 1858 and again in 1860, he was elected to Congress. Judge Hutchins and his wife had three children, including a son named John Corydon Hutchins, Esq. The two men practiced law together in



the early 1870's, and, like his father, the son became a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association and a Judge in Cuyahoga County.

Hon. JOHN C. HUTCHINS

Occupations: Judge, Attorney, Army Officer **Position at the Law Library:** Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, John C. Hutchins signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. During the Civil War, Judge Hutchins served as a Second Lieutenant and later a First Lieutenant. After the War, he moved from Youngstown, Ohio to Cleveland to practice law with his father, Judge John Hutchins, in the firm known as Hutchins & Ingersoll. A few years later in 1873, he became a member of the firm of Hutchins, Campbell & Johnson. In 1877, he was elected as the Prosecuting Attorney of Cuyahoga County for one term. Thereafter, he followed in his father's footsteps by becoming a Judge, first as Police Judge



for two terms beginning in 1883, and then as a Common Pleas Judge in 1892. He became the Postmaster in Cleveland in 1896, and he served on the Board of the Cleveland Public Library for 13 years, seven of which he was also the President. Judge Hutchins was a graduate of Oberlin College and Albany Law School (1866).

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Hon. JONATHAN E. INGERSOLL

Occupations: Judge, Attorney, Physician **Position at the Law Library:** Founding Member

Biography: A graduate of Oberlin College with additional education at both Conneaut and Hudson, Judge Jonathan Edwards Ingersoll was regarded as an intellect and one of the most well-read lawyers of his time, obtaining degrees in theology, medicine, and law. He graduated from Western Reserve Medical College in 1853 and began studying law with Bolton & Kelley immediately following, earning admittance to the Ohio Bar in 1855. In 1862, Judge Ingersoll's services were needed as a physician to treat wounded soldiers during the Civil War. He stepped away from his law practice to volunteer as a physician until 1865. Beginning in 1882, he served as a Judge on the Common Pleas bench in

Cuyahoga County to fill the vacancy of Judge Williamson. Upon retiring from the bench one year later, Judge Ingersoll opened a law firm with William B. Sanders, Esq. and Judge Burke, where he served until his death.

ABNER M. JACKSON, Esq.

Occupations: Judge, Attorney, Prosecuting Attorney **Position at the Law Library:** Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, Abner M. Jackson Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. Mr. Jackson was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1854. He originally practiced law in Crawford County, Ohio, where he first served as its Auditor from 1851-1855 before being elected as the Prosecuting Attorney in 1859. Thereafter, he was elected and served four years from 1871-1874 as a Judge for the Fourth Subdivision of the Third District of the Crawford Common Pleas Court, which covered Crawford, Hancock, Marion, Seneca, Wood and Wyandot Counties. When

he resigned his position on the bench, he formally moved to Cleveland and resumed his legal practice.





FRANCES A. JOHNSON

Occupation: Librarian

Position at the Law Library: Librarian

Biography: Frances Johnson assumed the role of Librarian in 1892 when her husband, Henry N. Johnson, Esq., became ill and could no longer run the Law Library. Little is known about Mrs. Johnson, but she will be remembered as the Law Library's first female Librarian.

HENRY N. JOHNSON, Esq.

Occupations: Attorney, Librarian, Editor, Army Captain Position at the Law Library: Librarian

Biography: Henry N. Johnson, Esq. was a Cleveland attorney who served as the Librarian of the Cleveland Law Library from 1889-1892. At various points during his life, Mr. Johnson was employed as a Clerk for the Probate Court and a Deputy U.S. Assessor for the Internal Revenue Service. Early in his career in 1857, Mr. Johnson and a co-editor named George Spear started Cleveland's first Sunday newspaper called *The Cleveland Daily Review*. At one point, Mr. Johnson was also the City Editor of the *Herald*. He also had a distinguished military career as a Commissioned Captain and Assistant Quartermaster in the United States Army.

HOMER H. JOHNSON, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Positions at the Law Library: Trustee, Vice-President

Biography: Homer H. Johnson, Esq. was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Cleveland Law Library Association from 1897-1905. He was also Vice-President of the Board from 1900-1901. He graduated from Oberlin College in 1885, and in 1888, he graduated from Harvard with both an M.A. and a Bachelor of Laws. After graduation, Mr. Johnson moved to Cleveland and created a partnership with a college friend named Melvin B. Johnson, and they named their law firm M. B. & H.H. Johnson. One of their biggest clients was the White Sewing Machine Company, which was later known as the



White Motor Company. During World War I, Mr. Johnson served as Chairman of the Draft Appeal Board in 1917 and as Fuel Administrator of Ohio in 1918. He taught classes on constitutional law at Western Reserve University from 1892 to 1917. He also served on the Boards of the Chamber of Commerce and the Cleveland School of Art.

GEORGE S. KAIN, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, George S. Kain, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. Mr. Kain graduated from Oberlin College in 1864, having supported himself by teaching classes to fellow students. In 1866, he was admitted to the Bar of Buffalo, New York, but he later moved to Cleveland and was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1867. When he first came to Cleveland, Mr. Kain worked in the law office of Willey & Carey. After a brief period as a solo practitioner, he formed a temporary partnership with an attorney named H.L. Terrill. He later entered into partnership with William C. Bunts, who was at that time the local City Solicitor. Upon Mr. Bunts' death, Mr. Kain assumed the position of City Solicitor from 1874-1875. He then returned to private practice with an attorney named M.B. Gary, but he was soon re-elected to the position of City Solicitor in 1881 for the next four years, during which he was also an *ex officio* member of City Council. Although Mr. Kain then practiced law in Florida for a few years, he returned to Cleveland and was appointed as the Assistant Corporation Counsel for General E.S. Meyer for a year. At the conclusion of that service, Mr. Kain returned to solo practice in Cleveland.

MYRON R. KEITH, Esq.

Occupations: Attorney, Bankruptcy Court Register

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, Myron R. Keith, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. Mr. Keith first moved to Cleveland in 1837 and took a job as a Deputy in the office of the Clerk of the Common Pleas Court. That same year, he accepted the position of Clerk of the Common Pleas and the Superior Court of Lorain County. He resigned from this position in 1842 and returned to Cleveland to practice law as both a solo practitioner and with an attorney named Harvey Rice. Mr. Keith served as a Bankruptcy Court Register (nka Trustee) for the Northern District of Ohio from 1867-1878. He also organized the Standard Oil Company and served as counsel for that company and John D. Rockefeller.

IRENE KEYSE-WALKER, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Positions at the Law Library: Director, Treasurer

Biography: Irene Keyse-Walker, Esq. served as a Director of the Cleveland Law Library Association from 2003-2013, during which she also served as the Association's Treasurer. She is a partner at the law firm of Tucker Ellis LLP, and since 1982, she has argued hundreds of appeals in state and federal courts on a wide variety of issues. She was the first Ohio lawyer to be elected to the American Academy of Appellate Lawyers, and she previously served as an adjunct professor at Cleveland-Marshall College of Law. A graduate of Duke University Law School, Mrs. Keyse-Walker was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1982.



RALPH KOLASINSKI, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Positions at the Law Library: Board Member and Secretary of the CLLRB **Biography:** Ralph Kolasinski, Esq. is an Assistant Prosecutor with the Cuyahoga County Prosecutor's Office. He served on the Cuyahoga County Law Library Resources Board (CLLRB) from 2013-2017, and he held the title of Secretary from 2013-2014.

CHARLES A. KUZEL, Esq.

Occupations: Attorney, Librarian, Clerk, Appraiser

Position at the Law Library: Librarian

Biography: Charles Kuzel, Esq. served as the Librarian of the Cleveland Law Library from 1898-1900. He was born in Bohemia in 1850, but he came to the United States in 1867 and settled down in Cleveland. After becoming an attorney in 1884, he worked as a Deputy Clerk for Cuyahoga County. After he resigned from his employment at the Law Library, Mr. Kuzel became an Appraiser for Cuyahoga County and engaged in both legal practice and the insurance industry.



GEORGE W. LYNDE, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, George W. Lynde, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. In 1835, Mr. Lynde became the seventh Clevelander to be admitted to practice in Ohio. At the time of his death, he had practiced law in Cleveland for 50 years. At one point in his legal career, he served as a Master Commissioner.

ANDREW J. MARVIN, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Positions at the Law Library: Founding Member, Trustee, Secretary

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, Andrew J. Marvin, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. Mr. Marvin also served as the Secretary of the Cleveland Law Library Association from 1881-1889. In the early 1870's, he was joined in partnership by Darius Cadwell, who later became a Judge in Cuyahoga County.

WILLIAM C. MCFARLAND, Esq.

Occupations: Attorney, Ohio Legislator

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, William C. McFarland, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. Mr. McFarland was a teacher in Kentucky before he became an attorney. He came to Cleveland in 1861 and graduated from the Ohio State and Union Law College. He started practicing law in Cleveland in 1862, but when the Civil War started, he enlisted in the Union Army and served as a Quartermaster in Nashville, Tennessee. After the War ended, Mr. McFarland returned to his law practice in Cleveland. He served in the Ohio legislature from 1872-1873, and in 1875, he



entered into brief partnerships with Judge Lyman R. Critchfield and Scott Stewart. Mr. McFarland graduated from Westminster College.

MABEL MCWHERTER, Esq.

Occupations: Attorney, Librarian

Positions at the Law Library: Librarian, Secretary, Treasurer

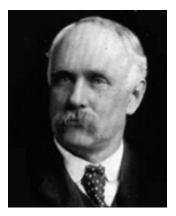
Biography: Mabel McWherter, Esq. was a local Cleveland attorney who served two roles for the Cleveland Law Library Association as its Secretary from 1935-1941 and its Treasurer from 1935-1937. She also held the position of Librarian of the Cleveland Law Library on a temporary basis for a few months in 1941 until Arthur W. Fiske, Esq. assumed the position later that year. At her passing, Ms. McWherter was remembered for her legal practice and employment as a law librarian at the Western Reserve University Law Library.

CHARLES F. MORGAN, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library, Charles F. Morgan, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. He was admitted to the Bar in Ohio in 1874, and he practiced law in Cleveland for almost 50 years. Although he was known a general practitioner and trial lawyer, he is especially remembered for handling equity and patent cases. Mr. Morgan was a graduate of Oberlin College (1872), where his father was a longtime Professor.



Hon. CHARLES A. NIMAN

Occupations: Judge, Attorney

Positions at the Law Library: Trustee, Vice-President

Biography: Judge Charles A. Niman was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Cleveland Law Library Association from 1930-1941, and he served as the Vice-President of the Board from 1938-1941. Judge Niman was a graduate of Hiram College and the University of Michigan Law School. He was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1900, and in 1910, the Governor appointed Judge Niman to the bench of the Cuyahoga County Court of Appeals. After leaving the Court, Judge Niman joined the law firm of Kline, Clevenger, Buss & Halliday. At one point, he taught at Western Reserve University Law School.

Hon. JOHN P. O'DONNELL

Occupation: Judge, Attorney

Positions at the Law Library: Director of the Association, Board Member and Secretary of the CLLRB

Biography: Judge John P. O'Donnell has been a dual member of the Board of the Cleveland Law Library Association and the Cuyahoga County Law Library Resources Board (CLLRB) since 2009. From 2014-2018, he also served as the Secretary of the CLLRB. Judge O'Donnell was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1993, after which he joined the law firm of Meyers, Hentemann & Rea from 1993-1997. Thereafter, he practiced at the Cleveland law firm of Gallagher Sharp from 1997-1999. For the next three years, he was employed as Cincinnati Staff Counsel. From 2002-2005, Judge O'Donnell served as an elected Judge with the Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court. He was subsequently re-elected



to that bench in 2007, where he has continuously served until present day. Before he became a lawyer and Judge, he was an insurance adjuster. He graduated from Miami University and Cleveland-Marshall College of Law.

WILLIAM SHAW C. OTIS, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, William Shaw C. Otis, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. He also served on the Board of Trustees of the Cleveland Law Library Association from 1872-1874 and was also one of the first individuals who contributed books to the Cleveland Law Library's collection. In 1831, he studied law with the firm of Whittlesey & Newton in Canfield, Ohio. Once he was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1833, he began practicing in Ravenna until 1840, when he moved to Akron and became the Prosecuting Attorney for two years and served as the President of the Akron Bank. During his brief four-year stay in Summit County, Mr. Otis also served on the Board of Control of the State Bank of Ohio and was a member of the Convention which formed the Constitution of the State of Ohio. For one year in 1854, he was elected as the Vice-President of the Cleveland and Pittsburgh Railroad Company, after which he returned to his legal practice, now located in Cleveland. At one point in his legal career, Mr. Otis engaged in a law partnership with Judge Daniel R. Tilden for three years. He graduated from Williams College in 1830.

CHARLES W. PALMER, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: Charles W. Palmer, Esq. was a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association. In 1853, he was appointed as the Superintendent of the Ohio City Public Schools. At one point, he served as the Prosecuting Attorney in Cuyahoga County and as the President of the Cleveland City Council. He was a professor at a local law school and graduated from Western Reserve College.

ARTHUR E. PETERSILGE, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Positions at the Law Library: Trustee, Vice-President, President **Biography:** Arthur E. Petersilge, Esq. was a Trustee on the Board of the Cleveland Law Library Association from 1942-1974. He also served as the Board Vice-President from 1963-1967 and the President from 1967-1974. Mr. Petersilge's most famous case involved representing family members in the Sam Sheppard murder trial. He was a graduate of Case Western Reserve University Law School.

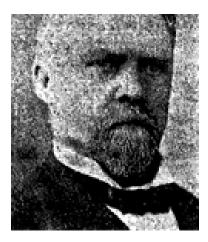


Hon. GEORGE L. PHILLIPS

Occupations: Judge, Attorney

Positions at the Law Library: Trustee, President

Biography: Judge George L. Phillips was a member of the Board of the Cleveland Law Library Association from 1900-1905, during which time he served as its President. Judge Phillips initially served as a Common Pleas Judge in Muskingum County for ten years, after which he came to Cleveland and was later elected to the Common Pleas Court. When he retired from the Cuyahoga bench after 18 years, he was succeeded by his son, Judge Frank C. Phillips, who had previously served on the local Municipal Court.



EDWIN J. PINNEY, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Positions at the Law Library: Trustee, Vice-President

Biography: Edwin J. Pinney, Esq. was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Cleveland Law Library Association from 1905-1916. He was Vice-President of the Board from 1905-1906. Before he became an attorney, Mr. Pinney taught school and served as a High School Principal in Jefferson, Ohio. He studied law in the office of Northway & Ensign and was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1869. After a brief association with an attorney named John Gill, Mr. Pinney formed a law firm in Jefferson Ohio with Alvin C. White under the name of Pinney & White. In 1890, Mr. Pinney moved to Cleveland, where he practiced criminal law, first with Minor G. Norton, then Judge C.W. Noble and Thomas C. Willard, and finally Mr. Willard and C.W. Dille.

CHARLES W. PRENTISS, Esq.

Occupations: Attorney, Military Officer

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, Charles W. Prentiss, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. At one point in his legal career, Mr. Prentiss was associated with Charles C. Baldwin and F.J. Prentiss.

LOREN PRENTISS, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, Loren Prentiss, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. He was also one of the first members to contribute books to the Cleveland Law Library's collection. Mr. Prentiss was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1846, after which he formed a partnership with an attorney named Samuel Cowles until 1850. A few years later, Mr. Prentiss formed a partnership with Samuel Askell until Mr. Askell died in 1859. From 1856-1858, he also served as the Prosecuting Attorney of Cuyahoga County. In 1867, he created a partnership with one of his former students named



C. M. Vorce, who was also a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association. That same year, Mr. Prentiss supported the creation of the Cleveland Bethel Union, which was originally begun as a home for seamen.

THOMAS A. QUINTRELL, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Positions at the Law Library: Trustee, Vice-President, President **Biography:** Thomas A. Quintrell, Esq. served as a Trustee on the Board of the Cleveland Law Library Association for 35 years from 1967-2002. He also served as the Board's Vice-President from 1975-1988 and 1998-2002 and as the Board's President from 1988-1998. Mr. Quintrell was a graduate of Princeton University (1942) and Harvard Law School (1948). In between college and law school, Mr. Quintell enjoyed a distinguished service in the military during World War II, receiving the bronze star for his service as a Captain with the 7th Infantry Division. Once he obtained his law degree, Mr. Quintrell worked at the law firm of McKeehan, Merrick, Arter & Stewart, which later became known as Arter & Hadden. In addition to serving on the Cleveland Law Library



Association's Board, Mr. Quintrell served on the Cuyahoga Savings Association Board and the Board of Central National Bank (now Key Bank). He was also a Life Trustee of University School, a 50-year member of the Court of *Nisi Prius* and a Life Member of the American Law Institute. In his busy retirement, Mr. Quintrell was a member of several social clubs, and he became involved in land conservancy efforts, organizing the Gates Mills Land Conservancy, the Chagrin River Watershed Partners, Inc., and Grand River Partners, Inc. He was a member of the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association, where he served on the Executive Committee, and the Ohio State Bar Association, where he served on the Board of Governors.

ISADORE RASKOPH, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, Isadore Raskoph, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. Although he practiced in Cleveland for several years, he eventually moved to New York.

WILLIAM M. RAYNOLDS, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, William M. Raynolds, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. Mr. Raynolds graduated from Kenyon College in 1873 and the Ohio State and Union Law College in 1874. He was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1874, after which he practiced law for three years with Judge James Lawrence before going into solo practice in the areas of real estate and corporate law. Mr. Raynolds served as the President of The German-American Savings Bank Co. beginning in 1896. He was a member of the University Club and the Mayfield Country Club.



WILLIAM C. ROGERS, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, William C. Rogers, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870.

BENJAMIN C. SASSE', Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Positions at the Law Library: Director, Treasurer

Biography: Benjamin C. Sasse', Esq. has been a Director of the Cleveland Law Library Association since 2013, during which he has also held the title of Treasurer. He believes that good legal research requires the use of books and other secondary sources that a law library provides. Mr. Sasse' is a partner at the law firm of Tucker Ellis LLP, where he serves as the Chair of the Appellate & Legal Issues practice group and handles appeals in the Ohio Supreme Court and



other state and federal appellate courts. He is a generalist who translates arcane areas of the law into clear and concise legal arguments. Mr. Sasse received his law degree from Case Western Reserve University School of Law and his undergraduate degree from Earlham College. He was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 2000. He currently serves as the Chair and Treasurer of the Amicus Committee of the Ohio Association of Civil Trial Attorneys. He also Co-Chairs the Finance Committee of Mayfield United Methodist Church and serves on the Church's Executive and Endowment Committees.

FRANK C. SCOTT, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Positions at the Law Library: Trustee, Vice-President, President **Biography:** Frank C. Scott, Esq. served on the Board of Trustees of the Cleveland Law Library Association from 1905-1922 and again from 1928-1937. He held the title of Vice-President from 1907-1908, 1912-1920, and 1921-1922, and he was the President of the Board from 1930-1937. Mr. Scott practiced law in Cleveland as a trial lawyer for almost 50 years. He was a member of the Cleveland, Ohio State, and American Bar Associations.

JOHN T. SCOTT, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Positions at the Law Library: Trustee, Vice-President

Biography: John T. Scott, Esq. was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Cleveland Law Library Association from 1941-1963, during which he also served as the Vice-President of the Board. Mr. Scott was a graduate of Western Reserve School of Law.

THOMAS P. SHAW

Occupation: Librarian

Position at the Law Library: Librarian

Biography: Thomas P. Shaw became a member of the Cleveland Law Library in 1901. Thirty years later in 1931, he accepted the position of Librarian, a title he held for the next ten years. Mr. Shaw guided the Law Library through the aftereffects of the Stock Market Crash of 1929, which plunged the World into the Great Depression. Although Mr. Shaw was not a lawyer, he was remembered in a 1941 article from the Cleveland Plain Dealer for having "read a great number of the 60,000 volumes in the [law] library." He was a 32nd degree Mason.



ALBERT T. SLADE, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, Albert T. Slade, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. Mr. Slade was a local attorney who served as Cuyahoga County's Prosecuting Attorney for part of his legal career. From 1871-1874, He partnered with a new attorney who was fresh out of law school named Virgil P. Kline; together, they created the law firm of Slade & Kline.

ABNER SLUTZ, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney Position at the Law Library: Founding Member Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, Abner Slutz, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. Mr. Slutz also served in the Ohio Infantry until he mustered out as a Full Private.



KRISTEN SOBIESKI, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Positions at the Law Library: Board Member and Secretary of the CLLRB **Biography:** Kristen L. Sobieski, Esq. served on the Cuyahoga County Law Library Resources Board (CLLRB) from 2009-2013, during which she also held the title of Secretary from 2011-2013. She has worked for over twenty years in public service, including the vast majority as an Assistant Prosecutor in the Cuyahoga County Prosecutor's Office, where she currently holds the title of Supervisor in the Appeals Unit. She has singlehandedly briefed and argued over a dozen cases in front of the Ohio Supreme Court. She obtained a B.A. in Sociology from Le Moyne College and a J.D. from Cleveland-Marshall College of Law. She was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1999.

Hon. GEORGE B. SOLDERS

Occupations: Judge, Attorney

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, Judge George B. Solders signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. Before he became a lawyer, Judge Solders worked as a telegraph and Associated Press operator. He was appointed a train dispatcher for the B. & M. Railroad in 1872. He later moved to Cleveland in 1873 was admitted to Ohio Bar in 1875. He served as both a Police Judge from 1883-1884 and a local Common Pleas Court Judge from 1899-1894. He also held various positions in the community, including his roles as the President of the Baldwin Hotel Co., the German Theater Co., and the Type



Telegraph Co. He was a member of various German societies, including Cleveland Gesangverein and Altenheim. He was a Mason and a charter member of the Century Club.

ANNE SOUTHWORTH, Esq., MLS (fna MCFARLAND)

Occupations: Attorney, Librarian

Positions at the Law Library: Librarian, Interim Library Director

Biography: Anne Southworth, Esq., MLS has spent over 50 years as a professional librarian in various roles at academic and research libraries. For 14 years before joining the Cleveland Law Library, Ms. Southworth was employed as an Associate Law Librarian at the University of Akron School of Law, a position which also included teaching legal research and writing. She is also the author of *Ohio Legal Resources: An Annotated Bibliography and Guide* (Ohio Regional Association of Law Libraries and Ohio Library Council, 1996). When Ms. Southworth retired from Akron, she accepted parttime employment at the Cleveland Law Library for the next nine years, after which she served briefly as its Interim Director from 2002-2003. During her long career, Ms. Southworth developed a library for the Sight Center of the Cleveland Society for the Blind. She also spent over 30 years acting as a *Guardian ad Litem* or GAL Counsel and developed a collection of books at the Cuyahoga County Juvenile Court that attorneys could give to new families. Once she formally retired, Ms. Southworth organized the library for Historic Lyme Village in Huron County, where she also serves on its Board.

EDGAR C. SOWERS, Esq.

Occupations: Attorney, Colonel, Brevet Brigadier General **Position at the Law Library:** Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, Edgar C. Sowers, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. During the Civil War, Mr. Sowers served in increasingly more prominent military roles, eventually achieving the rank of Colonel of the Ohio Infantry. He was also awarded with the honorary title of Brevet Brigadier General for his meritorious conduct.



CRAIG SPANGENBERG, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Position at the Law Library: Trustee, President

Biography: Craig Spangenberg, Esq. was a member of the Board of the Cleveland Law Library Association from 1963-1988. He also served as the Board President from 1974-1988. Mr. Spangenberg received his undergraduate and law degrees from the University of Michigan in the 1930s, and he was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1938. In 1946, he became a founding member of the Harrison, Thomas, Spangenberg and Hull law firm, which is now known as Spangenberg, Shibley & Liber LLP. In 1965, Chief Justice Earl Warren named Mr. Spangenberg to the U.S. Judicial Advisory Committee on the Federal Rules of Evidence, and he later served on the National Commission for the Revision of Antitrust Laws



and Procedures. For his work representing Canadian children victimized by the drug thalidomide, Queen Elizabeth appointed Mr. Spangenberg as Canadian Queens Counsel. He was active in the local Cleveland legal community and served as a Past President of the Cuyahoga County Bar Association, the City Club, and the International Society of Barristers.

RONALD STANSBURY, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Positions at the Law Library: Director, Vice-President, Strategic Planning Committee Chair

Biography: Ronald C. Stansbury, Esq. serves as Vice-President of the Board of the Cleveland Law Library Association. A member of the Board since 2009, he was named Chair of its Strategic Planning Committee in 2014. Ron is senior counsel at the law firm of Tucker Ellis LLP, where he practices in the area of employee benefits and executive compensation law. Ron's hands-on employee benefits experience includes 20 years of having chaired the Employee Benefits Committee at a prior firm, where he also was a member of its 401(k) and Pension Committees. Ron is ranked in Chambers USA



2020 in the area of Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation (Ohio). Ron is selected annually by Ohio Super Lawyers and The Best Lawyers in America, and he was named Best Lawyers' "Employee Benefits Lawyer of the Year" for Cleveland in 2011. A Past Chair of the Alzheimer's Association, Cleveland Area Chapter, he continues to serve on its Board Leadership Committee. Ron also has chaired the Boards of Orange Christian Academy and the Midwest Pension Conference; he has been a member of the Steering Committee of the Cleveland Chapter of Worldwide Employee Benefits Network (WEB); and he is an Emeritus Member of the IRS TE/GE Advisory Council. Ron received his undergraduate degree from The Ohio State University in 1970 and his law degree *summa cum laude* from The Ohio State University College of Law in 1974.

JAMES W. STEWART, Esq.

Occupations: Attorney, Banker, Realtor

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, James W. Stewart, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. Once Mr. Stewart was admitted to the Bar of Ohio, he began practicing with the law firm of Hutchins & Campbell. He was one of the founders of the Garfield Savings Bank. When the Bank merged with the Cleveland Trust Company, he became the Director of the new institution. Mr. Stewart was also the President of



the Berwald-Stewart Realty Company and a sponsor of a lake-front project in Cleveland. He attended Westminster College, where he also received the honorary degree of doctor of laws. In his free time, Mr. Stewart was member of the Union and Country Clubs, and he enjoined hunting mushrooms with his friends.

FRANK STRAUS

Occupation: Court Reporter

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, Frank Straussigned the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. Mr. Strauss began shorthand reporting when he was 17, and when he died, news reports indicated that he was City of Cleveland's very first and oldest court reporter. Although he used a system of court reporting called the "Graham System," he also developed his own system of shorthand. He was known as an expert speller in complex scientific and technical matters.

JOHN W. STREET, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, John W. Street, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870.

Hon. JOHN J. SULLIVAN

Occupations: Judge, Attorney, Ohio Senator

Positions at the Law Library: Trustee, President

Biography: Judge John J. Sullivan was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Cleveland Law Library Association from 1922-1930, during which he also served as President of the Board. Judge Sullivan studied law in Trumbull County and was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1885. In 1890, he was elected as the Prosecutor of Trumbull County, a position he held until 1895 when he was elected to the Ohio Senate. In 1899, President William McKinley appointed Judge Sullivan as the United States Attorney for the Northern District of Ohio. He was reappointed to that position in 1904, and Attorney General Moody appointed him as Special Counsel to handle anti-trust cases against Standard Oil. When Judge Sullivan retired from the U.S. Attorney's office, he returned to private practice until 1921, when he was appointed as a Judge of the Cleveland Bar Association. He was a member of the Tippecanoe Club, the Athletic Club, and the Union Club, and he was also a member of the Mason and Elk societies.

HERBERT L. TERRELL, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, Herbert L. Terrell, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. After he became an attorney, Mr. Terrell practiced law in Tennessee from 1866-1869. He then moved to Cleveland to practice law for the next ten years. For many years thereafter, Mr. Terrell worked as General Counsel for several railroads, including the New York Chicago and St. Louis Railroad and the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia Railroad. He was also the Vice-President of the Distilling and Cattle Feeding Company and a member of various New York social clubs and organizations, including the Metropolitan



Museum of Art and the Metropolitan Opera. An avid art collector and patron, Mr. Terrell owned several very valuable paintings, including Rembrandt's *Portrait of Himself*. He was a graduate of Yale University.

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Hon. DUANE H. TILDEN

Occupations: Judge, Attorney

Positions at the Law Library: Trustee, President, Vice-President **Biography:** The Honorable Duane H. Tilden served as a Trustee on the Board of the Cleveland Law Library Association from 1905-1921, and he held the titles of President from 1905-1906 and Vice-President from 1906-1907, 1908-1911 and 1920-1921. Judge Tilden was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1887, and he was elected to the Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court in 1903, where he served until 1906. Before and after his judicial service, Judge Tilden practiced law in Cleveland as a member of three different law firms: Lee & Tilden, 1890-96; Solders & Tilden, 1896-1903; and Ford, Snyder & Tilden, 1906-18. He was also one of the incorporators of

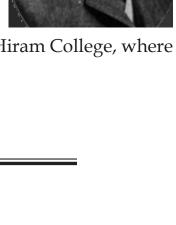
the Cleveland Telegraph Company in 1900. He was a graduate of Hiram College, where he also obtained a Ph.D. in 1884.

Hon. JAMES W. TOWNER

Occupations: Judge, Attorney, Soldier, Teacher **Position at the Law Library:** Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, Judge James W. Towner signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. Although Judge Towner was originally a native of New York, he called many places in the United States home throughout his life. Although he had very little school education, he began teaching at the age of 17. In 1840, he moved to Cleveland, where he began the study of theology, entered the Universalist Ministry, and began preaching in Northern Ohio. In 1854, he moved to Fayette County, Iowa, where he helped to build a sawmill and joined the army,

eventually working his way up in the ranks to the position of Captain. After losing his left eye in a Civil War battle, Judge Towner returned to Cleveland to practice law and serve as a Judge of the City's criminal court. He spent the last years of his legal career in California, where former California Governor Robert W. Waterman appointed him to the Board of County Commissioners to form Orange County in California. Thereafter, he became Orange County's first Superior Court Judge from 1889-1897.





FRANK M. TOWNSEND

Occupation: Librarian **Position at the Law Library:** Librarian

Biography: Frank M. Townsend served as the Librarian of the Cleveland Law Library for two years from 1876-1878. During his tenure, the Board instructed Mr. Towsend to collect briefs from local attorneys in important cases and institute a policy which established a messenger service for the delivery of Law Library books to court rooms. Upon his retirement from Law Library service, the Board conveyed its appreciation "of his services as Librarian" and "thanks for the very satisfactory manner in which he has performed his duties while connected with the Law Library." Either before or after his employment at the Law Library, Mr. Townsend may have been associated with Cleveland, Lorain & Wheeling Railroad as a Superintendent and Purchasing Agent.

CARLA M. TRICARICHI, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Positions at the Law Library: Director, Vice-President, President **Biography:** Carla M. Tricarichi, Esq. has been a member of the Board of the Cleveland Law Library Association since 1993. She has also served as an officer in two capacities, including President from 2003-2006 and 2020 - present, as well as Vice-President from 2002-2003 and 2006-2020. Ms. Tricarichi earned her Bachelor of Science degree *cum laude* from Tufts University in 1979. During college, she also studied at the London School of Economics via the Institute of European Studies. In 1982, Ms. Tricarichi earned her law degree from Case Western Reserve University (CWRU), where she also served as Articles Editor of the *Journal of International Law*



and the *Canada-U.S. Law Journal*. She then joined the law firm of Tricarichi & Carnes. In her early career, she practiced civil and criminal law. Her practice currently focuses on civil litigation, primarily involving labor, employment, utility, and probate issues. From 2010 – 2019, Ms. Tricarichi additionally served as Deputy Director of Public Policy and Government and Community Relations at the Ohio Lottery Commission. Ms. Tricarichi was honored as 1991 Case Western Reserve University Recent Alumna of the Year. She was inducted into the CWRU Society of Benchers in 2007. She is a life member of the Eighth District Judicial Conference. Ms. Tricarichi has served as Chair of the Young Lawyers' Division of the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association, on the Council of Delegates of the Ohio State Bar Association, and as a Foreperson of the Cuyahoga County Grand Jury. From 1990 – 1997 Ms. Tricarichi served as the first female member of the Cleveland Cuyahoga County Port Authority.

Occupations: Judge, Attorney

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, Judge Joel W. Tyler signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. At the age of 18, Judge Tyler began studying law with an attorney named Wheadon, who specialized in cases of equity and chancery. He then studied law with the firm of Tilden & Ranney, after which he was admitted to practice law in Ohio. Judge Tyler began his law practice in Garrettsville, Ohio, but he later moved to various cities in Ohio, including Warren, Ohio, where he practiced with Judge Mathew Birchard, who once sat on the Ohio Supreme Court. In 1860, Judge Tyler was elected as the Probate Judge of Trumbull County for two terms.



After serving on the bench, he returned to private practice and moved to Cleveland, where he served as counsel for the Cleveland, Lorain & Wheeling Railroad Company beginning in 1865. For the next few years, he and former Ohio Supreme Court Justice Rufus P. Ranney formed a partnership to represent the Railroad. At one point, Judge Tyler also formed a Cleveland partnership with his son, attorney William B. Tyler, Esq.

JOHN W. TYLER, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, John W. Tyler, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. After serving as a Private in the Army during the Civil War, Mr. Tyler began practicing law in Painesville, Ohio and became the Prosecuting Attorney for Lake County. He then moved his practice to Cleveland. He practiced law in Cleveland from 1876-1911. He was a graduate of Oberlin College.



DANIEL T. VAN, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney **Positions at the Law Library:** Board Member and Secretary of the CLLRB

Biography: Daniel T. Van, Esq. is an Assistant Prosecutor for Cuyahoga County who has served as a member of the Cuyahoga County Law Library Resources Board (CLLRB) since September of 2018. In December of that same year, Mr. Dan was elected as the Secretary of the CLLRB, a position which he still holds today.



CHARLES M. VORCE, Esq.

Occupations: Attorney, Microscopist

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, Charles M. Vorce, Esq. signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. Although Mr. Vorce was an attorney, he was more widely known as a microscopist (a scientist who conducts research with a microscope). Mr. Vorce's dual occupations and perspectives enabled him to promote the use of microscopes for uncovering evidence involving crime scene investigations, handwriting forgeries, and food. Mr. Vorce was a founding member of the American Society of Microscopists, and he served as one of its original Vice-Presidents. In 1880, Mr. Vorce was elected to and eventually became a Fellow of the



Royal Microscopical Society, which still exists in the United Kingdom today.

JOHN H. WEBSTER, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Positions at the Law Library: Trustee, Auditor

Biography: John H. Webster, Esq. was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Cleveland Law Library Association from 1883-1891. He also served as Auditor to the Board from 1884-1891. He graduated with a B.A. and M.A. from Yale University in 1868 and 1871, respectively. He then studied law in the offices of James Mason and William J. Boardman and obtained a law degree from the Ohio State and Union Law College. He was admitted to the Ohio Bar in Cleveland in 1870, after which he practiced in the areas of estates and general business law. In 1885, Mr. Webster formed a partnership with E. A. Angell under the firm name of Webster & Angell. He served as the Recording Secretary of the Cleveland Bar Association for 14 years. He also served as the President and Manager of the Chamberlin Cartridge & Target Company and the Cleveland Target Company. He was also the Treasurer of the Cleveland Manual Training School for seven years. He was a member of the Chamber of Commerce, the Union and University Clubs, and the Rowfant Club.

JOHN D. WHEELER, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Positions at the Law Library: Trustee, President

Biography: John D. Wheeler, Esq. was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Cleveland Law Library Association from 1991-2003, and he also served as President of the Board from 2002-2003. Mr. Wheeler obtained his undergraduate degree from Allegheny College and his law degree from Case Western Reserve. He became an associate at the law firm of Calfee Halter & Griswold in 1970. Thereafter, he became a partner and served as Managing Partner from 1991-1999. When he retired from the firm in 2002, Mr. Wheeler was elected as the Mayor of Hunting Valley for two terms. In 2005, he joined the staff at Case Western Reserve, where he eventually became the Senior Vice-President



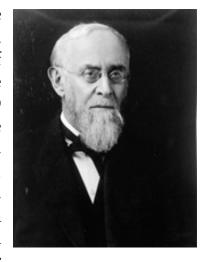
of Administration. Mr. Wheeler served on various Boards, including BioEnterprise, the Cleveland Museum of Natural History, and NorTech.

JOHN G. WHITE, Esq.

Occupation: Attorney

Positions at Law Library: Founding Member, President

Biography: John G. White, Esq. was a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, and he served on its Board of Trustees from 1891-1900, including two years as President of the Board from 1899-1900. He graduated from Western Reserve College, from which he later received an honorary degree of LL.D in 1919. He was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1868, after which he began practicing law in Cleveland for almost 60 years. In 1870, Mr. White joined Robert E. Mix and Judge Conway W. Noble. That firm changed names over time, eventually becoming Spieth, Bell, McCurdy & Newell Co. Mr. White primarily practiced in the area of real estate law, but he also served as Special Counsel for the Cleveland Railway Co. Mr. White was a charter member



of the Union Club, and he and Mr. Mix founded the Cleveland Yacht Club. Altogether, Mr. White gave 42 years of service to the Cleveland Public Library, first as its President from 1884-1886, as a Board member again in 1910, as Vice-President from 1912-1913, and then as President for the next 15 years. As the chief benefactor of the Cleveland Public Library, Mr. White personally donated over 60,000 books on Orientalia, folklore, and other subjects in over 140 languages, and his 12,000-volume chess and checkers collection still holds a place of honor in that Library's collection today. Upon his death, Mr. White's legal collection was donated to the Cleveland Law Library.

SAMUEL WILLIAMSON, JR., Esq.

Occupations: Attorney, City Councilman, Ohio Legislator **Positions at the Law Library:** Founding Member, Secretary **Biography:** Samuel Williamson, Jr., Esq. was a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, and he also served as the Secretary of the Board from 1869-1872. He was also one of the first members to contribute books to the Cleveland Law Library's collection. He was a graduate of Jefferson College, and he was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1832. He read law with Sherlock Andrews, a prominent Cleveland attorney, practiced law with Leonard Case, and, for most of his career, practiced with Albert G. Riddle. Mr. Williamson also held the role of City Councilman, was a member of the Ohio legislature, and served as a prosecuting attorney. Although he retired from legal practice in 1866, Mr. Williamson was still a



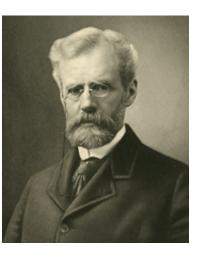
vital part of the Cleveland community, serving as the President of Society for Savings until his death in 1884.

Hon. SAMUEL E. WILLIAMSON

Occupations: Judge, Attorney

Position at the Law Library: Founding Member

Biography: As a founding member of the Cleveland Law Library Association, Judge Samuel E. Williamson signed the Law Library's original Constitution in 1870. Judge Williamson was one of the first members to contribute books to the Cleveland Law Library's collection. He was the son of Samuel Williamson, Jr., and he followed in his father's footsteps by entering the practice of law. He graduated from Western Reserve College, began reading law with his father, and studied law at Harvard Law School. He served as a Judge for the Court of Common Pleas and worked as legal counsel for the New York Central Railroad. He was also a founder of University School, a private,



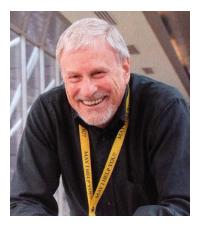
all boys school which is still active in the Cleveland area. Judge Williamson was also instrumental in the creation of the law school at Western Reserve University.

STEVE WOOD

Occupation: Librarian

Position at the Law Library: Chair of the CLLRB

Biography: When the County Law Library Resources Board was created in 2009, Steve Wood served as its first Chair from 2009-2014. Mr. Wood spent his entire professional career as a distinguished public librarian. He joined the staff of the Cleveland Heights-University Heights Library (CH-UH) in 1977 as the Supervisor of Adult Services, and he was promoted only three years later in 1980 to the title of Deputy Director. In 1988, Mr. Wood became the Director of the CH-UH Library for the next 20 years, until he retired in 2008. During his tenure, the CH-UH Library became the first member of CLEVNET, and Mr.



Wood helped to create the Ohio Public Library Information Network (OPLIN). The Ohio Library Association (now Ohio Library Council) named Mr. Wood as the Librarian of the Year in 1998, and he later served as the President of that organization from 1990-1991. Mr. Wood obtained his undergraduate degree from Millersville University and a Master of Library and Information Science degree from Drexel University. He served as a Visiting Professor in Kent State University's MLS program, and he published many articles on library management.

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MISSION

The Cleveland Law Library is a premier hybrid legal institution on the cutting edge of technology that provides services to a large base of private members, as well as various judges, public officials, and their respective staff members. The Cleveland Law Library is also accessible to members of the public one day a week.

The Cleveland Law Library was originally established in 1869 as the Cleveland Law Library Association by leading members of the bar in Cuyahoga County for the promotion of the science of law. (Charter). The Cleveland Law Library Association is still one of the largest membership law libraries in the United States, with the dues of over 2,600 members contributing to its support. The Cleveland Law Library Association's Board of Directors represents a cross-section of Cleveland's legal community and operates under a Constitution that provides more information about its membership and governance.

Over the course of time, Ohio statutes carved out an additional role for the Cleveland Law Library in serving the local judiciary, elected officials in Cuyahoga County, and members of the Ohio General Assembly. In 2009, legislation expanded these statutory responsibilities to include all local governments and created a new entity called the Cuyahoga County Law Library Resources Board to oversee services to these constituencies and provide a venue for public access. This Cuyahoga County Law Library Resources Board operates under a set of written Rules and Policies. Information about the Cuyahoga County Law Library Resources Board's operations, budget and statistics can be found within Cuyahoga County's Annual Budget.

The Cleveland Law Library receives a combination of dues and fines and penalties that contribute to support a staff, a service structure and a collection of print and electronic legal materials specifically directed to meet the needs of the practicing bench and bar. The Law Library also provides resources to serve the needs of pro se litigants.

The Cleveland Law Library's fourth floor offices in the Cuyahoga County Courthouse are the hub of legal and business information services. In addition, direct service extends beyond the Courthouse walls through remote access, email, fax mail and courier delivery options, all designed to deliver the right information in the most efficient and cost effective manner possible.

1869 CHARTER

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The Cleveland Law Library

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December 18, 1869 W. J. Boardman Chairman

1870 CONSTITUTION

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