

## CJCL News

### DIRECTOR'S CUT:

We hope everyone had a wonderful time at our 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration in December! I'm happy to share some pictures that Cynthia Miranda from the JC Public Affairs and David Rosenthal from the 1<sup>st</sup> DCA took on the last two pages of this newsletter. In case you missed it, we put much more historical information about the library on our [website](#) for you to view. Make sure to check out the different sections.

We want to welcome all the new staff that have joined the Supreme Court and the 1<sup>st</sup> DCA! We invite you to join a tour on Wednesdays at 10 a.m. or contact the Research and Reference Services at x57178 or email at [reference@jud.ca.gov](mailto:reference@jud.ca.gov), to set up a tour for a different time.

Our staff is looking forward to another exciting year. As mentioned in our last newsletter, we have several projects we are working on with the online circulation system at the top of the list. We plan on rolling this out in April just in time for National Library Week, April 7-13, 2019. Most of the consolidation and removal of the multiple in our collection is completed, our legislative histories are digitized, and we have some new open areas for you to come and work in. Please stop by so you can see everything for yourself.

### Staff Highlight: Vita Isyanova, Assistant Law Librarian

Vita joined our staff in August 2016 and was the point person for the 1<sup>st</sup> DCA, receiving, processing and distributing materials to all divisions. In August of 2018 she was promoted to Assistant Law Librarian, and now assists Martha in Special Collections & Archives (SCA) and works with me on billing and accounting.

Vita was born in Russia and moved here with her husband and daughter over 25 years ago. She earned her Master's degree in Library Science from St. Petersburg State University and has worked in several different law libraries over the years, including: Bronson, Bronson & McKinnon; Carrol, Burdick & McDonough; and Alameda County Law Library.

Vita enjoys attending gem stone fairs, reading, yoga, and doing Reiki in her spare time.



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### CJCL STAFF

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- Jan Gross, Law Librarian, RRS
- Jessica Brasch, Law Librarian, RRS
- Martha Noble, Law Librarian & Archivist, SCA
- Vita Isyanova, Assistant Law Librarian, SCA/Accounting
- Erin Lybrand-Wenz, Cataloger & Assistant Law Librarian, CMS
- Patrick Worrell, Assistant Law Librarian, CMS
- Deanna Mason, Law Library Technician, CMS



#### **WESTLAW TRAINING: TUESDAY, 1/22**

*In an effort to provide more regular Westlaw and Lexis training, the Library schedules quarterly trainings, alternating platforms each quarter. We will schedule additional trainings on an as-needed basis (e.g., to introduce new products) or upon request. The basic training schedule is as follows:*

**Westlaw:** January and July

**Lexis:** April and October

*Westlaw training will be held on **Tuesday, January 22 at 9:30am and 11:00am**. Additional signup information was sent via email. Please contact the Reference office if you would like to attend (reference@jud.ca.gov; 57178)*

## **Research & Reference Services**

### **INTRODUCING PROVIEW – A PROFESSIONAL E-READER FOR THOMSONREUTERS (WESTLAW) TITLES**

The Library now has access to ProView, a product designed to modernize and highlight the benefits of our Print Collection. ProView provides access to e-book versions of applicable Westlaw titles. E-Books can be accessed online or through the ProView App for phones, tablets, etc.

#### **BENEFITS OF THE PROVIEW APPLICATION INCLUDE:**

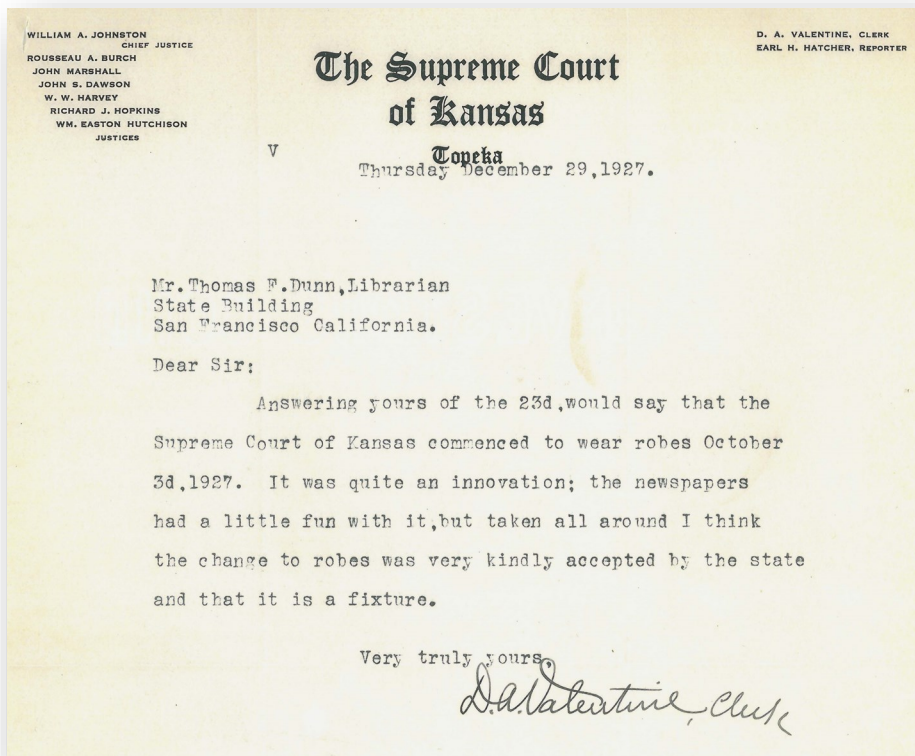
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- Preferences allow you to personalize text size, font, line spacing, and the color scheme/brightness

For training videos you can peruse at your leisure, go to: <https://info.proview.thomsonreuters.com/en/proview-practice-series.html>

In late April of 1986, the Los Angeles public library suffered a catastrophic fire which you might not have heard about outside of LA because it was overshadowed by the Chernobyl disaster. In her book, **“The Library Book,”** Susan Orlean, examines not only the fire and its aftermath, but also the history and evolution of the library and its interesting roster of librarians.

The fire, which remains the largest library fire in this country, destroyed approximately 400,000 books and damaged 700,000 more. The public support immediately after the fire was remarkable for the number and resourcefulness of citizen and corporate volunteers. Orlean provides a heartbreaking catalog of the historical and one-of-a-kind books, manuscripts, fiche, and art that were destroyed, and explains the steps taken to preserve the damaged books that were stored throughout the LA area in industrial coolers. The still unanswered question of whether the fire was deliberate is treated at length in the book. What really resonates in this very readable paean to libraries, is the appreciation for *all* aspects of the library, from the process of purchasing, processing, and delivering books to the evolution of librarianship, to the changing role libraries play. –JG

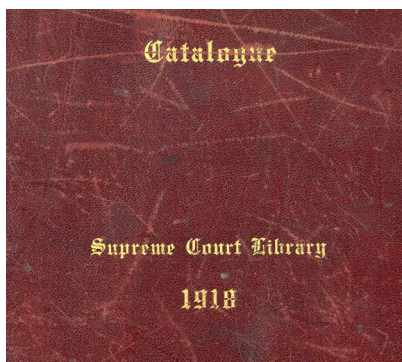




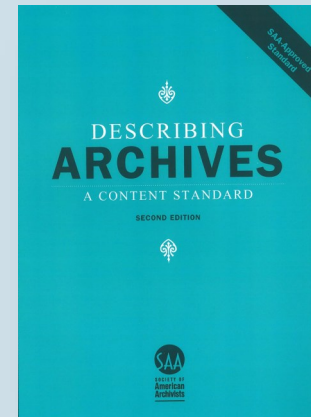
In 1928, under the leadership of Chief Justice William H. Waste, the Supreme Court of California established the tradition of wearing judicial robes. Shortly before the custom was adopted, then-librarian Thomas F. Dunn sent requests for information on the practice out to Supreme Court clerks across the nation. Records of the library contain the responses he received and copies of a number of these letters were on display during our recent Open House.

## SPECIAL COLLECTIONS & ARCHIVES: RECORDS OF THE LIBRARY OF THE SUPREME COURT OF CALIFORNIA

Preparations for the library's 150th Anniversary Celebration in 2018 brought a renewed interest in the early records of the library of the Supreme Court of California. While somewhat fragmentary in nature, the records document significant developments in the history of the library, including the efforts of librarians Benjamin Edson, John F. Tyler and Thomas F. Dunn to rebuild the



collection after approximately 18,000 volumes were destroyed by fire in 1906. Thomas Dunn's 1918 *Catalogue* indicates that in a little over a decade the size of the collection had rebounded to slightly over 15,000 volumes. A complete list of the secretaries of the justices, librarians and directors who have served in leadership positions since the library was established in 1868 can now be found on our [website](#).



On December 10, 2018, SCA staff members traveled to the California State Archives in Sacramento to attend a one-day workshop on [Describing Archives: A Content Standard \(DACS\)](#)

### VITA ISYANOVA ON ATTENDING A RECENT SAA WORKSHOP:

It was my very first workshop related to my new position. The workshop, presented by [Cory Nimer](#), was called "Describing Archives: A Content Standard" and was organized by the Society of American Archivists (SAA) and held at the California State Archives. I was prepared by Martha Noble who provided me with materials and pointed out where I could find additional reading. SAA has a great website, so I was able to get prepared for this workshop.

It was a very interesting experience to be inside this historical building, listen to a great lecturer and be surrounded by a mix of people from different states. Some attendees had a lot of archives experience and some were as new as I am.

I was able to visit the State Archives and see the exhibits they have right now. It was a little bit overwhelming, but I learned a lot. I am looking forward to utilizing my learnings and continuing to improve my archival skills.



## A NEW HOME FOR POPULAR READING

If you didn't have a chance to make it to our Open House last December, you may not have noticed that our collection of popular reading donations has relocated!

The books are now closer to our new reception area. Come by and browse, or grab a book and read for a while during a break on one of our couches or chairs!

Thank you, Patrick, for moving and reorganizing this collection!



## POCKET PARTS & 6 IN 2 HAVE ARRIVED!



We've just received pocket parts for West and Deering's. Your copies and the library's copies will soon be updated by our CMS staff: Patrick, Deanna, and Erin. Special thanks to Vita who has already helped us update the West set in our California Alcove West.

New copies of 6 in 2 have also just arrived! Be on the lookout for distributions of these new titles.

## A SELECTION OF NEW PRINT & ELECTRONIC TITLES AT CJCL

[Farnsworth on contracts—Fourth Edition](#)

[A pound of flesh: Monetary sanctions as punishment for the poor](#)

[Sexual orientation, gender identities, and the law: A research bibliography, 2006-2016](#)

[Sex equality](#)

[Administrative law treatise—Sixth Edition](#)

[Meeting statutory deadlines: Workers' compensation](#)

[Handling mechanics' liens and related remedies \(private works\)](#)

[Handling civil appeals](#)

[California construction law manual \(new edition\)](#)

[Transferring property without probate](#)

[Workplace harassment law—Second Edition](#)

[Privacy in employment law](#)







