

# Douglas County Law Library E-Mail Newsletter



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## Meeting and Event Announcements

The Defense Bar meets the second Friday of the month. This month the meeting is on the 8th.

The March Douglas County Bar Association Brown Bag CLE program will be on Thursday, March 21, 2013, from 12:00 p.m. to 12:50 p.m. in the Jury Assembly Room in the Judicial and Law Enforcement Center. Sarah Warner will present *Top 10 Kansas Civil Cases from 2012*. Handout material can be downloaded from the [DCBA website](#).

## Board of Trustees Election Update

The slate of candidates has been set for this spring's election of attorneys to fill the five attorney member positions on the Douglas County Law Library Board of Trustees. The candidates are:

Julia V. Bellemere  
Hatem Chahine  
Napoleon Crews  
Elbridge Griffy IV  
Jody Meyer  
Branden Smith  
Sarah Warner  
Charles E. Whitman

Ballots will be sent out by postal mail on March 25, 2013, to eligible\* attorneys who have paid their 2013 Law Library Registration Fee\*\*. Ballots must be completed as per the instructions that will accompany them, and be received in the Law Library no later than the voting deadline of 5:00 PM on Monday, April 8, 2013

Attorneys who are required to pay the 2013 Law Library fee but have not done so will be ineligible to vote. If you wish to vote and

have not already paid your fees, please do so before March 25th.

More information on the election will be in next month's Newsletter.

\*An attorney whose principal office, i.e.: main practice, is in Douglas County, or, if the practice is in another state, resides in Douglas County.

\*\*Unless employed solely as a public defender by the State Board of Indigents' Defense Services, an attorney must pay the current year's annual Douglas County Law Library Registration Fee of \$25.00.

### **Current Art Gallery Exhibition**



The February/March 2013 Law Library and Division IV art gallery exhibitions are cut paper art by Angie Pickman.

The exhibitions will run through the end of March 2013.

The April/May exhibitions in the Douglas County Law Library Art Gallery and the Division IV Art Gallery are scheduled to be mixed media by Kerry Thonen. More information on these exhibitions will be in the April 2013 E-Mail Newsletter.

For more information on past, current, and future Art Gallery exhibitions, or for more information on the Art Gallery, please consult the Art Gallery page on the Law Library's website.

If you would like to exhibit your art in our gallery, or know of local artists who would like to show their original art here, contact the Law Library at 838-2477 or by e-mail at [info@douglascolawlibrary.org](mailto:info@douglascolawlibrary.org).

### **New Acquisitions**

Newly acquired material added to the Law Library's holdings:

ABA Child Law Practice: Helping Lawyers Help Kids, v. 32:2 (Feb. 2013).

AALL Spectrum, v. 17:4 (Feb. 2013).

Advance sheets of the Kansas Supreme Court and the Kansas Court of Appeals, v. 295:2/v. 48:2 (Dec. 2012).

Kansas Sentencing Guidelines, Desk Reference Manual, CD-ROM ed., 2012.

Law Library Journal, v. 105:1 (Winter 2013).

Search and Seizure Bulletin, v. 50:1 (Jan. 2013).

### **Did You Know?**

Every month, a bit of Law Library trivia is posted in the Law Library and on the Law Library's website. The previous month's "Did You Know" tidbit is then published here in the Newsletter. The hope is for this to improve communication between the Law Library and its users.

February's entry was:

Printing from Library workstations is now on the honor system. On the table next to the printer/copier there is a log sheet to record printing to be deducted from prepaid attorney accounts, as well as a change tray for users without such accounts to leave payments.

### **This Month In Legal History**

March 1, 1864 - Governor Carney signs the act chartering the University of Kansas in Lawrence.

In 1855, the first Kansas Territorial Legislature, known as the "Bogus Legislature" because of the voting irregularities surrounding its election, made provision for a

Kansas University to be built whenever some governmental or private entity provided sufficient funds to do so. In 1856, Amos A. Lawrence donated over \$12,000 for the establishment of a "Free State College" in Lawrence. Because of problems with the deed to the property where it was to be built, his plans were put on hold. In 1858, the Presbyterian Church of the United States of America became involved and attempted to get a school established. The 1859 Territorial Legislature granted the Church a charter for an institution named "The Lawrence University." The plan was to construct a building on Mount Oread, a bluff overlooking Lawrence from the west, but the project had to be abandoned in 1860 due to a lack of funds. In the meantime, the Congregationalists devised a plan to build a "monumental college, commemorating the triumph of liberty over slavery in Kansas." The outbreak of the Civil War back east forced them to put their plans on hold. In 1861, the Episcopalians became interested, and established a board of trustees that took out incorporation papers for "The Lawrence University of Kansas." The Presbyterians gave up their claims to the Episcopalians, who eventually gave up theirs to the State. The State Constitution that went into effect with the admission of Kansas to the Union on January 29, 1861, included a section that read, "Provision shall be made by law for the establishment, at some eligible and central point, of a state university for the promotion of literature and the arts and sciences, including a normal and agricultural department." Lawrence, Emporia, and Manhattan were all vying to be the location of the university. It was decided that the agricultural function of the university would be separated from the others, and Manhattan was chosen to be the site for this department. In response, Manhattan withdrew from the race, leaving only Lawrence and Emporia in contention. In order to secure the university for Lawrence, the city prom-

ised to donate 40 acres of land and an endowment of \$15,000. By only a one vote margin, the Legislature voted to locate the university in Lawrence. A provision of the bill was that if Lawrence did not fulfill the promises it had made within six months, the university would go to Emporia. By means of a land swap with Charles Robinson, Lawrence secured the 40 acres, on top of Mount Oread, that were needed to fulfill the promise, and through a donation of the money that Amos Lawrence had set aside for his "Free State College," the city raised the \$15,000 just in time to prevent the university from going to Emporia. Lawrence became the permanent location for the university on November 2, 1863. The Kansas Legislature then passed an act granting a charter for the University of Kansas in Lawrence, and Governor Thomas Carney signed the bill into law on March 1, 1864. The University was to be formally founded upon the first meeting of the Board of Regents, which occurred on March 21, 1865. The first day of classes was on September 12, 1866.

From: [University of Kansas](#), Kansas: a cyclopedia of state history, embracing events, institutions, industries, counties, cities, towns, prominent persons, etc., Standard Publishing Co, Chicago, 1912, v. 2; and, [When was KU founded?](#), KU Info website.

Each month, an event from "This Month In Legal History," the history of law and jurisprudence of Douglas County that occurred during that month, is included in the Newsletter. The current entry is also posted for the month on the Law Library's website. Entries from past months are [archived](#) on the website. Submissions from readers are welcome and encouraged.

### **Law Library Volunteer Opportunities**

The Law Library Volunteer Program provides a capable and dependable volunteer work force to assist with the day-to-day operations of the Law Library and with its spe-

cial projects. This work force supplements the paid Library staff and allows the Library to provide the best possible service to attorneys, local judges, and the public.

The Volunteer Program is instrumental in linking a valuable community resource - the citizens - with a valuable community institution - the Douglas County Law Library - for the benefit, growth, and enrichment of both.

If you or someone you know might be interested in volunteering for one of them, or if you would like more information on our program and/or the positions we have open, please contact the Library or visit the "Volunteers" page on the Law Library's website.

### **Feedback**

This Newsletter is intended to be useful to its readers. As in any enterprise, feedback on how the Newsletter is fulfilling this goal is crucial to our achieving it. If our articles are helpful, let us know. If they are not, let us know. If you have suggestions on how to improve the Newsletter, or comments and suggestions on the Law Library itself, please let us know. For your convenience, there is a link to a [feedback form](#) available on most pages of the Law Library's website. Thank you.

### **Submitting Articles for Newsletter**

The Editor encourages readers to submit articles for publication and/or make suggestions on material to be included in future issues of the Newsletter.

### **To Subscribe**

Contact the Law Library by mail, e-mail, or telephone and request a free subscription to the Newsletter. It will be sent to you as a PDF attachment to an e-mail. The Library's

mailing address is: Douglas County Law Library, Judicial and Law Enforcement Center, 111 East 11<sup>th</sup> Street, Lawrence, Kansas, 66044. The Library's e-mail address is: [info@douglascolawlibrary.org](mailto:info@douglascolawlibrary.org). The Law Library's telephone number is: 785-838-2477.

### **Classified Ads**

Free classified ads may be placed in the Newsletter by contacting the Law Library. The Editor reserves the right to refuse anything deemed inappropriate and to add restrictions as the need arises.

No Ads this Month.



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