

PLACER COUNTY LAW LIBRARY

**ANNUAL REPORT
AND FINANCIAL REPORT
2010-2011**

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The Board of Law Library Trustees submits this annual report to the County Board of Supervisors on the condition of the law library trust fund pursuant to the provisions of Sections 6349 and 6350 of the California Business and Professions Code.

The Law Library Board of Trustees held regularly scheduled meetings on the second Monday of each month. In February, Suzanne Gazzaniga joined the board, replacing outgoing Placer County Bar Association President Larry Ring.

The library's primary source of income is its portion of the civil filing fees. The law library's current \$35 portion cannot be increased without an act of the Legislature. During FY 10-11, the law library's income from filing fees was \$381,275, while income from the previous year FY 09-10 was \$410,570. This represents a decrease of \$29,295 or a 7% decrease in filing fee income. This year's revenues exceeded expenditures by \$43,673. At the end of the year the law library trust account balance was \$306,494.

Over the course of the year 11,079 people used the library and staff answered 6,395 reference questions. This represented an 11% increase in the number of library users and a 3.6% increase in the number of reference questions answered.

The law library board continues to work toward opening a branch law library in Roseville. In February, the trustees opened a virtual law library at the Santucci Justice Center. This library consists of two computers donated by the bar association and maintained by the court. There is one computer in the Self Help Center and one computer in the Attorney Lounge. The law library pays for subscriptions to Lexis and CEB OnLaw on these two computers. Additionally, the CEB Onlaw is accessible to anyone on the courthouse wi-fi connection.

The law library continues to work closely with the Placer County Library and its new director Mary George. The law library purchased a Nolo self-help law database for the public law library. By having the public library host this database, it is accessible to anyone from home with a Placer County Library card. The public library also began training law library staff on the use of cataloging software. Some of the law library books are listed in the public library catalog

but the goal is to have them all uniformly integrated into the catalog. Public library staff began cataloging and labeling all the Nolo self-help law books and the law library will donate these books to the public library as they are replaced with newer versions in the law library.

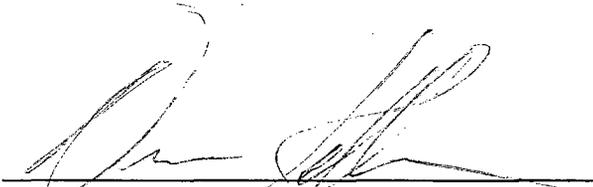
The library held a successful program in conjunction with the El Dorado County Law Library in honor of the American Library Association's Banned Book Week. The program, "An Obscene Evening in the Library," featured performances of *Howl* and *Lady Chatterley's Lover*, by local actors T.E. Wolfe and Kate Haight, and a lecture about obscenity law by Professor Leslie Jacobs of McGeorge School of Law and the Capital Center of Public Law and Policy.

The trustees are ably assisted by Law Librarian Christopher Christman. He is an active member of the California Council of County Law Librarians (CCCLL) and is on the legislative committee and the strategic planning committee for that organization. The strategic planning committee was successful in obtaining an LSTA grant from the State Library to hire a consultant to draft a business plan for CCCLL.

Respectfully Submitted September 2011,
PLACER COUNTY BOARD OF LAW LIBRARY TRUSTEES



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ASSETS

Law Library Trust Account	\$306,494.40
Buildings and Improvements	\$320,121.93
Total	\$626,616.33

BOOK INVENTORY

Total Volumes July 1, 2010	8,751
Volumes Added	327
Volumes Discarded	266
Total Volumes	8,812

LIBRARY STAFF

Christopher Christman - Librarian
Diane Wells - Library Clerk
Mark Tombaugh - Extra-Help Library Clerk

HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday	8:00 - 8:00
Tuesday	8:00 - 8:00
Wednesday	8:00 - 5:00
Thursday	8:00 - 5:00
Friday	8:00 - 5:00
Saturday	10:00 - 2:00

*Revenues and Expenses for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011***REVENUES**

6854	Printer Copies / Fax	1,403	
6950	Interest	5,989	
6965	Conference Room	445	
6965	Copy Machine	2,006	
8143	Court Filing Fees	381,275	
8755	Donations	482	
8782	B&P 6361 Reimbursement	20,000	
	Total revenues		\$411,600

EXPENSES

2051	Communications	8,120	
2140	D&O Insurance	1,263	
2405	Condominium Monthly Assessment	11,674	
2406	Bathroom Maintenance	938	
2439	Professional Dues	686	
2523	Office Supplies	1,342	
2528	Security	720	
2556	Library Staff	184,968	
2844	Staff Training	673	
2860	Books / Materials / Online	140,501	
2931	Travel	695	
2965	Utilities	5,092	
2556	Placer County Library Fee	11,255	
	Total expenses		\$367,927
	Excess of revenue over expenses		\$43,673