BACK TO THE FUTURE OF LEGAL RESEARCH
Chicago-Kent College of Law, Illinois Institute of Technology
Friday, May 18, 2007

8:30 - 9:15
Registration
First Floor Lobby
Continental Breakfast
courtesy of William S. Hein & Co., Inc.

9:15 - 9:30
Welcome and Introductions
Auditorium
Mary Rose Strubbe, Director of Legal Research and Writing, Chicago-Kent College of Law
Keith Ann Stiverson, Director, Chicago-Kent Law Library

9:30 - 10:45
Digital Legal Information: The Future Is Now
Auditorium
Mary Alice Baish, Associate Washington Affairs Representative, American Association of Law Libraries, will discuss the efforts of state and federal governments to provide official, authentic legal materials in digital form.
Ian Gallacher, Assistant Professor of Law and Director of the Legal Research & Writing Program, Syracuse University College of Law, will outline his proposal that a consortium of law schools make all common law freely available via the Internet.

10:45 - 11:00
Break
drinks and snacks available, courtesy of LexisNexis

11:00 - 12:00
Results: Librarians and Practitioner Surveys and Focus Groups on the Research Realities
Auditorium
Sanford Greenberg, Visiting Associate Professor of Law, Chicago-Kent College of Law: Chicago-area attorney survey
Tom Gaylord, Reference Librarian, Chicago-Kent College of Law: Chicago-area law librarian survey and focus groups
Patrick Meyer, Associate Library Director and Adjunct Professor, Thomas Jefferson School of Law: surveys from several other large cities

12:00 - 1:15
Lunch
Second Floor Cafeteria
courtesy of Aspen Publishers
1:15 - 2:45 Concurrent panels

Debbie Ginsberg, Electronic Resources Librarian, Chicago-Kent College of Law, moderator
Panelists:
Douglas A. Berman, William B. Saxbe Designated Professor of Law, Moritz College of Law at The Ohio State University, owner of the Sentencing Law & Policy Blog
Richard D. Friedman, Ralph W. Aigler Professor of Law, University of Michigan, and writer of Confrontation Blog
Bonnie Shucha, Head of Reference, University of Wisconsin at Madison Law Library, and writer of WisBlawg

2) Developing Effective and Well-Coordinated First-Year Legal Research Programs  Classroom 210
Doug Godfrey, Associate Professor of Legal Writing & Research, Chicago-Kent College of Law, moderator
Panelists:
Susan J. Adams, Associate Director, Legal Research and Writing Program, Chicago-Kent College of Law
Jane Edwards, Head, Faculty and Public Services Librarian, Michigan State College of Law
Karin Johnsrud, Reference Librarian and Coordinator of the First Year Legal Research Program, Columbia Law School
Larry Reeves, Reference Librarian and Coordinator, First Year Legal Service Program, Fordham University School of Law

2:45 - 3:00 Break
drinks and snacks available, courtesy of LexisNexis

3:00 - 4:15 Concurrent Panels

1) Electronic Research and Citation  Classroom C40
Dana Neacsu, Reference Librarian, Diamond Law Library, Columbia University, “Google as the Ultimate Electronic Research Tool and the Foe of Reliable Citation”
Ian Gallacher, Assistant Professor of Law and Director of the Legal Research & Writing Program, Syracuse University College of Law, “Legal Citation and Legal Research: An Under-explored Relationship”

2) Being Research-Selective for Efficiency and Economy  Classroom C50
Alison Julien, Associate Professor of Legal Writing & Kira Zaporski, Associate Law Librarian, Marquette University Law School, “Teaching Dollars and Sense: Incorporating Cost-Effective Research Techniques in the First-Year LWR Course,”
Rosalie Sanderson, Instruction Librarian, New York Law School, & Sarah Valentine, Lawyer/Librarian (Legal Research Instruction) and Associate Professor, CUNY Law School, “Teaching Students Conscious Choices in Electronic Legal Research Products”

4:20 - 5:15 Concurrent Panels

1) Teaching the Teachers Classroom 305
James Milles, Associate Dean for Legal Information Services, Director of the Law Library, and Professor of Law, University of Buffalo Law School, “How To Teach Research: A New Course for the Buffalo JD/MLS Program in Law Librarianship”

2) Interactive CALI Legal Research Lessons Classroom 210
Nancy Johnson, Law Librarian/Professor of Law, Georgia State University College of Law & Deb Quentel, CALI Director of Curriculum Development, “CALI Legal Research Lessons – An Interactive Alternative to Reading About Research”

3) Evaluating Subscription Databases Classroom C25
Julie Jones, Research Attorney & Lecturer in Law, Cornell Law Library, “Teaching Students How Website Design Affects Search Results and Research Costs”

4) Going International Classroom C35
Ed Harris, Visiting Assistant Professor, Chicago-Kent College of Law, “Including an International Component in the Legal Research Curriculum”

5) Context Classroom C40
Jill Hayford, Associate Professor of Legal Writing & Alison Julien, Associate Professor of Legal Writing, Marquette University Law School, “Teaching Legal Research Backwards: Providing Context for Legal Research”

5:30 - 6:30 Reception 10th Floor Event Room
courtesy of Thomson West