Welcome to the twelfth edition of the Library Ledger, the newsletter from PLI’s Library Relations team! The Library Ledger covers the latest news in PLI Discover PLUS content, recent enhancements, search tips, research help and important announcements.

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PLI at the AALL 2016 Meeting & Conference

The PLI Library Relations Team is back from Chicago, where we exhibited at the AALL 2016 Annual Meeting & Conference. We enjoyed showcasing both Discover PLUS and the new Discover PLUS app to familiar faces as well as to new connections at our booth. To celebrate our global reach – Discover PLUS is now in all 50 states and more than 65 countries – we raffled off a $1,000 Orbitz gift card at our booth. Dennis Sears of the J. Reuben Clark Law School at Brigham Young University won the raffle. Bon voyage, Dennis!

For those of you who could not make our breakfast, here’s a brief overview:

Alexa Robertson (Director of Legal Information Services and Electronic Publishing) reviewed the updates we’ve made to PLI Discover PLUS since last summer’s conference and highlighted the many new titles that are now in our catalog. Those new titles are listed here and are automatically added to Discover PLUS! Alexa also provided an update on our archive project: we have added more than 1,000 archival titles to PLUS, and we are adding new titles every week!

Next, Christina Davis (Library Relations Manager) provided a demo of both Discover PLUS and the Discover PLUS app, which showcased our platforms' ease of use and invaluable content. Interested in a demo yourself? You can write us at PLUS@pli.edu to set one up, or you can watch our short overview videos.
Finally, we raffled off an Open Table gift certificate – the lucky winner was Gina Cartusciello of Chaill, Gordon & Reindel. Congratulations, Gina!

PLI Discover PLUS Sample Search:
Finding Information on the "Panama Papers" Leak

Discover PLUS is a great resource for expert analysis on ripped-from-the-headlines legal issues.

For example, if you want to learn more about the legal repercussions of the Panama Papers leak, you can do a search across all content for the exact phrase "panama papers."

Watch as we run this search and find content from our publications – as well as transcripts from PLI’s One-Hour Briefings – that discuss the potential legal and cybersecurity issues the leak brings into question and also highlight the risks for financial institutions and professional service providers.

PLI Discover PLUS Enhancement:
Improved Date Range Filters

We recently made an enhancement to PLI Discover PLUS that makes it even easier to filter by publication year. In addition to filtering by individual years, you can now filter by decades. This enhancement recently debuted to accommodate our growing archival collections as we continue to add content back to as early as 1980.

For example, if you want to learn more about how mortgage-backed securities were used in financing from 2000-2009, you can do a search for "mortgage-backed securit!" /s financ! and then use the date filters on the search results to select 2000-2009.
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In developing Discover PLUS, PLI worked closely with the legal community. As PLUS evolves, we would like to continue learning from this community and as such, we've created the PLUS Advisory Council.

The PLUS Advisory Council is a group of Discover PLUS customer members who provide input to PLI on product direction for the PLUS legal research database. The Council submits and reviews enhancements requests, and determines the validity and value of each request. The Council then makes recommendations to PLI to help future planning and better prioritize the enhancements made to the PLUS platform.

PLI will continue to accommodate members' schedules, and communicate primarily through email. Participation is voluntary. If you are interested in participating, or would like additional information, please write to me at arobertson@pli.edu.

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