

Kathleen:

Here is the write-up on the liibulletin I promised, plus a Peter Martin blurb. I forget the dates that should frame the latter. Please, trim it to those for this issue of the Forum.

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liibulletin-ny

Since 1993, the Legal Information Institute of Cornell Law School (LII) has provided a free current awareness service via E-mail, distributing the syllabi of U.S. Supreme Court decisions in bulletin format within hours after their release. Known as the liibulletin, this service continues with the Court's current term.

This fall the LII offered another, similar service. This second electronic bulletin has one major difference; it is written by student editors working for the LII. Known as liibulletin-ny it provides concise, timely analysis of the more significant decisions of the New York Court of Appeals. The decision summaries prepared by LII editors are disseminated in bulletin format via E-mail. They are also added to the indexed hypertext material at the LII's World Wide Web (WWW) site. In hypertext form, each summary links to full text of the underlying decision and where possible to cited material. The connection runs the other way as well; readers of the decision can use the LII commentary as a headnote for it.

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<http://www.law.cornell.edu/ny/ctap/overview.html>
All decisions that have been featured in liibulletin-ny carry the legend "LII Commentary." A "point and click" on that legend delivers the summary and analysis of the case prepared by the LII editors.

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Peter W. Martin

Peter W. Martin, the Jane M.G. Foster Professor of Law

and co-director of the school's Legal Information Institute (LII), is on sabbatic leave for the year, based in New York City at NYU and visiting Chicago-Kent Law School once a month. From both places he commutes to Ithaca on a daily basis via the Internet to pursue projects of the LII, including the recently launched liibulletin-ny.

Professor Martin's article on the Internet was featured on the cover of the September ABA Journal. In September he discussed and demonstrated the importance of the Internet to lawyers at a meeting of the Corporate Bar in Stamford, Connecticut. He conducted workshops on the impact of technology on legal education at Chicago-Kent College of Law in September, at the University of Kansas School of Law in October, and at the University of Colorado School of Law in November. With Roger Cramton, he demonstrated the CD-ROM entitled "Core Materials on Legal Ethics" written and edited by Professor Cramton and published by the LII with support from the Keck foundation at a conference of Keck grantees, held at the Duke Law School in November.

From mid-January to mid-February, Martin visited the University of Zambia School of Law, under the ABA's Sister Law School program, to lecture and to explore the possibilities for electronic publication of the decisions of the Supreme Court and legislation of that country.