



Guide to the Computer Law Association records

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Abstract

The Computer Law Association records document the organization from 1982 to 2005. The CLA was created in 1971 to provide a forum for lawyers practicing or interested in computer and telecommunications law to network, share information, and discuss current legal developments related to the high-tech field. It changed its name in 2006 to the International Technology Law Association, or ITechLaw. The collection contains conference materials, books, and periodicals published by the CLA, with the majority of material consisting of proceedings and promotional flyers for CLA-organized conferences and seminars. The collection also contains legal publications that were collected, but not published, by the CLA.

Administrative Information

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Biographical/Historical Note

The Computer Law Association (CLA), initially called the Computer Lawyers Group, was founded in 1971 by seven lawyers practicing or interested in computer law. Its purpose was to provide a forum for those in the technology legal field to network, share information, and discuss current legal developments related to computers and telecommunications. They began holding regular meetings on the East Coast, and the organization quickly grew in size. In 1973, the group was incorporated into the nonprofit Computer Law Association. The CLA held several national and international conferences each year, including its annual Computer Law Update (later the World Computer and Internet Law Congress), conducted workshops, and also published periodicals and reports on computer law. As international membership grew, the CLA changed its name in 2006 to the International Technology Law Association, or ITechLaw.

Scope and Content of the Collection

The Computer Law Association records contain conference materials, books, and periodicals published by the CLA and other legal publications collected, but not published, by the CLA. The records date from 1982 to 2005. The majority of the collection consists of proceedings and promotional flyers for CLA-organized conferences and seminars. Three of the CLA's events that are especially well-documented in this collection are the annual Computer Law Update, Pacific Rim Computer Law Conference, and CyberSpaceCamp. This collection also contains the CLA's published newsletters, books on computer law, and annually published collections of essays. Newsletters with significant numbers of issues in this collection include the *Computer Law Association Bulletin* and *International Update*. Lastly, the CLA records hold journals, books, newsletters, and reports that the CLA collected, but did not publish. Common publications in this part of the collection include the *Rutgers Computer and Technology Law Journal*, *Santa Clara Computer and High Technology Law Journal*, and quarterly journals and bulletins published by the American Intellectual Property Law Association (AIPLA). Common topics covered

throughout the CLA records include legal issues related to the Internet and electronic commerce, comparisons of IT laws and business environments in different regions of the world, strategies for computer law practitioners, and intellectual property legislation relating to software and other forms of technology.

Arrangement

The collection is arranged into 3 series:

Series 1, CLA conferences, 1982-2005

Series 2, CLA books and periodicals, 1986-2005

Series 3, Non-CLA legal publications, 1985-1999

Indexing Terms

Computer Law Association

Computer networks--Law and legislation

Electronic commerce

Information technology lawyers

International law

International Technology Law Association

ITechLaw

Separated Material

Three CD-ROMS were separated from the main collection. To view catalog records for separated material search the CHM catalog at

<http://www.computerhistory.org/collections/search/>.

Collection Contents

Series 1, CLA conferences, 1982-2005

This series contains conference proceedings, pamphlets, and promotional flyers for the various conferences and seminars organized by the Computer Law Association. For the majority of the CLA's conferences and seminars, each event was organized and titled under a single theme. Examples of themes include computer software protection, regulation of computer telecommunications, software distribution, intellectual property laws in computing, strategies for computer law practitioners, computer law and business in different areas of the world, and global legal issues related to electronic commerce and the Internet. Aside from these events organized under changing themes, the CLA also held annual conferences that were consistently titled and themed. This series holds material for three of these more consistent events:

Computer Law Update, Pacific Rim Computer Law Conference, and CyberSpaceCamp. The conference with the most material in this series is the Computer Law Update, with proceedings documenting its first meeting in 1985 and subsequent proceedings and promotional material for the event dating as late as 2005. The Computer Law Update underwent several name changes during its active years. From 1985 to 1996, it was named Computer Law Update; then, starting in 1995, it became the World Computer Law Congress and Computer & Telecommunications Law Update; and beginning in 2001, its name changed to the World Computer and Internet Law Congress. This series is arranged chronologically, with material for Computer Law Update, Pacific Rim Computer Law Conference, and CyberSpaceCamp grouped into separate chronological runs.

Series 2, CLA books and periodicals, 1986-2005

This series consists of periodicals and books related to computer law and published by the Computer Law Association from 1986 to 2005. About half of the series is made up of the

newsletters *Computer Law Association Bulletin* and *International Update* dating from 1986 to 2005. The *Bulletin* contained updates on CLA business and scholarly articles, while *International Update* focused on international developments. These two newsletters were combined into one in 1991. This series also includes the *CLA Computer Law Companion*, an annual collection of essays; collections of internet- and software-related legal forms; guides and books on European, American, and Latin American computer law that are part of the Current Issues Publications Series; and a glossary of computer terminology. This series is arranged alphabetically by folder title.

Series 3, Non-CLA legal publications, 1985-1999

This series contains journals, books, newsletters, and reports related to computer and high-tech law issues not published by the Computer Law Association. Material dates from 1985 to 1999. About half of the collection is made up of issues of the *Rutgers Computer and Technology Law Journal* from 1986 to 1998. Also included are journals from other organizations and institutions, including the University of Houston, American Bar Association, Santa Clara University School of Law, Touro Law Center, American Intellectual Property Law Association, and John Marshall Law School. The rest of this series consists of books and reports on various computer law topics. This series is arranged alphabetically by folder title.

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Box 9	102773447	Computer technology and the law in Canada	1987
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Box 9	102773449	EDI and American law : a practical guide	1989
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Box 9	102773451	Guide to insurance coverage for electric and magnetic field litigation, A	1996
Box 9	102773452	Health data in the information age : use, disclosure, and privacy	1994
Box 9	102773453	Houston law review	1995
Box 9	102773454	John Marshall journal of computer and information science	1996
Box 9	102773455	Jurimetrics journal of law, science and technology	1994
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Box 9	102773456	Realizing the information future : the internet and beyond	1994
Box 10	102773458	Rutgers computer and technology law journal	1986-1998

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	Non-CLA legal publications		
Box 9	102773459	Santa Clara computer and high technology law journal	1989; 1992
Box 9	102773460	Summary of the law relating to computers in Canada, A	1995
Box 9	102773462	Telecompetition : the free market road to the information highway	1994
Box 9	102773461	Touro law review	1987
Box 9	102773463	Treaty on intellectual property in respect of integrated circuits	1989-05-26
Box 9	102773464	Winning techniques for : computer and high tech litigation : the growth field of the information age	1995