

University Libraries' 9th Annual Copyright Conference

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The University Libraries' all-day, Ninth Annual Copyright Conference entitled, “©opyright in ©asablanca: Round Up the Usual Suspects!” was held at the Alumni Center on Wednesday, April 18, 2012. Attendance, including guests and speakers, was



Pictured from left to right: Deb Howell, Fritz Dolak, Janice Pilch, Dwayne Buttler, Donna Ferullo, Tom Lipinski, and Michelle Cooper.

120 which included 4 students from Muncie Central High School and 5 practicing Indiana lawyers and 1 lawyer from Ohio. Besides Indiana, eight states were represented at ©asablanca: Illinois, Kentucky, Michigan, Missouri, Ohio, Oklahoma, Wisconsin, and West Virginia.

Internationally and nationally recognized intellectual property experts were our speakers for

©asablanca:

- Dwayne Buttler, J.D., University of Louisville
- Michelle Cooper, J.D. Bose McKinney LLP, Indianapolis
- Donna Ferullo, J.D., Purdue University
- Deb Howell, CRISC, GSEC, Ball State University
- Tom Lipinski, J.D., Ph.D., IUPUI
- Janice Pilch, M.S., M.S., Rutgers University



Plan point credits.

Many positive remarks were received from our attendees. One of our instructional objectives and

This Ball State University conference is the only copyright conference in the Midwest and is the only copyright conference in the U.S. that has concurrent programs for both Academic and K-12 intellectual property concerns. Our BSU conference is the only conference in the U.S. that is consistent in providing year-to-year Indiana Continuing Legal Education credits, Indiana Library Education Units, and Indiana Professional Growth



learning outcomes for our K-12 students who attend is to more fully understand about intellectual property issues especially those students who are engaged in journalism. Muncie Central High School journalism students wrote:

- *"The copyright conference that we attended was very informative. I learned a lot about the laws of copyright that I never even knew existed. It was a very good learning experience."...Samantha.*
- *"Before the copyright conference, I had no idea that I owned copyrights or that all of the laws existed. It was a great experience. I learned so much. Also, lunch was amazing. I will never forget Copyright in Casablanca!"...Neil.*
- *"The copyright conference was very beneficial. I learned a lot about what copyright was and how to make a career out of it. I also learned that some schools have copyright policies and I think it would be beneficial for us to have one as well."...Ellen*



From the Academic track of the conference, Dr. Monica Brooks, Assistant Vice President for Instructional Technology, Online Learning & Libraries at Marshall University wrote:

- *I just wanted to thank you for putting on such an excellent conference! We learned a lot and are already planning to revise some of our policies and training at Marshall! Next year look for more MU participants!*

These are just a representative sampling of the many positive comments we received for @asablanca.

For additional information about this Conference or the upcoming Tenth Annual Copyright Conference, “©opyright in ©z: The Good, the Bad and the Ugly”, April 24, 2013, please visit the Copyright Conference homepage,

<http://tinyurl.com/6md8x5g>, or contact the Conference Chair, Dr. Fritz Dolak, FDolak@bsu.edu 765-285-5330.

