

Hello, Everyone!

I can't think of an opportunity that I view with greater regard than being asked to serve as president of the Animal Law Caucus for the coming year. Our Caucus is now eight years old and has just over 100 members. We are a wonderfully diverse group of academic, private, government, and other information professionals who can deliver the best possible resources for not only the AALL membership, but also for others outside of our community. We can transform that information into understanding, advocacy, and justice. In the year ahead, I hope we can coalesce around ideas and ideals to keep the issue of animals at the forefront, raise the profile of our Caucus, communicate more frequently, add new members, and celebrate current members who work every day toward improving the treatment of animals. I bring considerable energy and enthusiasm (as well as 3 rescue cats – Poco, Max, and Harry) to the position and look forward to working and collaborating with all of you in the weeks and months ahead.

Best,
Cynthia

Bio

Cynthia Condit joined the Daniel F. Cracchiolo Law Library at The University of Arizona's James E. Rogers College of Law in July 2014. In addition to providing references and other public services, she is responsible for supervising the Law Library Fellows, providing 1L legal research instruction, managing the Arizona collection, developing a LibGuides collection, and serving as co-advisor to SALDF, the law student Animal Legal Defense Fund group. She co-developed and co-teaches a fully online legal analysis, research and writing course for undergraduate, MLS, and international students, and developed and co-teaches a legal technology course for upper level law students. She is active in the American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) and is currently serving as Chair of the RIPS Special Interest Section's Legal Research Teach-In Kit. She also serves as webmaster for AALL's Animal Law Caucus and for the Arizona state chapter AzALL.

Prior to returning to Arizona she was Reference and Faculty Services Librarian and Adjunct Assistant Professor at the University of Montana Alexander Blewett III School of Law's William J. Jameson Law Library in Missoula, Montana where she oversaw the faculty services program, taught Advanced Legal Research, managed and edited the law library blog, and served as administrator of the law school digital repository. While earning her M.L.I.S., Cynthia was a Law Library Fellow at the Daniel F. Cracchiolo Law Library. She obtained her J.D. from James E. Rogers College of Law and her B.A. in Communications from the University of Arizona.