CURRENT AWARENESS SERVICES FOR FACULTY

Current awareness services include a variety of tools that keep users informed of the latest developments in specific areas. For this presentation I have divided them into three categories. Alert services provide e-mail notifications of new developments. Awareness sites post current developments at websites that users access as time permits. Listservs allow users to dialog with other faculty and subject specialists in selected fields. Below is a list of selected services in each category.

I. ALERT SERVICES

A. Book Alerts and Other Library Services
   New Books
   E-mail notification is sent to faculty members alerting them that a new list of titles has been published. The monthly lists of titles, arranged by subject, are available on our web site at:
   http://law-new.rutgers.edu/screens/newacquis.html

   Library Catalog-Added Features
   Our catalog, Tabula, now offers additional information for some titles. If you click on the “More Info” button in the upper right you may find tables of contents, illustrations including the dust jacket and book reviews.
   http://165.230.69.253/search/tWhat%27s+fair/twhats+fair/1,2,2,B/frameset&FF=twhats+fair+ethics+for+negotiators&1,1

   Journal Routing Services
   The Library will route new journals. Contact your liaison for help.

B. Manuscripts and Working Papers
   bepress
   bepress provides a legal repository of manuscripts arranged by subject.
   bepress also sends bimonthly e-mails with listings of manuscripts arranged by subject. http://law.bepress.com/repository

   LSN: Legal Scholarship Network
   LSN provides an electronic archive of legal scholarship that includes
research papers, manuscripts etc., related to law, economics and business.  \texttt{http://www.ssrn.com/update/lsn/index.html}

\textbf{EconWPA}
Abstracts of papers on law and economics. (Also includes e-mail alert service.)  \texttt{Http://econwpa.wustl.edu/months/le}

\section*{C. Articles}
\textbf{CILP:}  \textit{Current Index to Legal Periodicals}
\textit{CILP} is a subject index to new legal periodical articles distributed by e-mail each week.  It indexes approximately 475 legal periodicals.  \texttt{http://cilp.nellco.org/cilp/index.cfm}

\textbf{SmartCLIP} is a specialized service that allows users to create a focused list of the topics from the \textit{CILP} index.  List is e-mailed to users weekly.  \texttt{http://lib.law.washington.edu/cilp/scilp.html}
Subscribe:
\texttt{http://law-library.rutgers.edu/services/smartcilp.html}

\section*{D. Miscellaneous-News}
\textbf{Google}
The News Alert Service allows users to design subject searches.  The search results are sent by e-mails with the text of relevant articles.  Google claims to cover over 400 news/wire sources but doesn’t identify them.  Select “News.”  \texttt{http://www.google.com}

\textbf{Virtual Chase}
Site provides lists of general and government alert and awareness services plus RSS(Really Simple Syndication feeds.  For information about this aggregator see Kevin Reiss, Ext. 3061.)  \texttt{http://www.virtualchase.com/resources/legal_alerts.html}

\section*{E. Miscellaneous-Legal}
\textbf{Lexis ECLIPSE}
Users run searches and place e-mail alert notices from individual files.
At the result screen of any search select “Save as ECLIPSE” to receive e-mail notices. [http://www.lexis.com/research](http://www.lexis.com/research)

**Westlaw. WestClip**
At the result screen of any search look for “Result Options.” Select “Add search to WestClip” for e-mail notices. [http://www.westlaw.com](http://www.westlaw.com)

**WestLaw Bulletin**
New cases, statutes, regulations available at WLB on main page.

II. AWARENESS RESOURCES

A. **Agencies**
   **Selected Agency Web Sites:**
   - EPA: Includes e-mail alert service. [Http://epa.gov/epahome/listserv.htm](http://epa.gov/epahome/listserv.htm)
   - Dept. of Labor: Includes e-mail alert service. [Http://www.dol.gov](http://www.dol.gov)
   - OMBudget: OMB Watch is a service by a non profit watchdog group. Includes e-mail alert service. [Http://www.ombwatch.org](http://www.ombwatch.org)

B. **Civil Liberties**
   **ACLU**
   American Civil Liberties Union. Site offers e-mail alert newsletter. [http://www.aclu.org](http://www.aclu.org)

   **EPIC**
   Electronic Privacy Information Center. Includes e-mail alert service. [http://www.epic.org/](http://www.epic.org/)

C. **General Legal**
   **Cornell Legal Information Institute**
   Cornell Law School's Legal Information Institute page offers a section
with legal subject areas. Each area provides references to cases, statutes, regulations, web sites, books etc. (See also entry under Supreme Court below.)  

**Http://www.law.cornell.edu**

**JURIST**

The University of Pittsburgh School of Law site offers many features including awareness sections on legal education, law teaching and scholarship. Under scholarship users can find new articles and books.  

http://jurist.law.pitt.edu  
http://jurist.law.pitt.edu/ol_artcl.htm

**D. Supreme Court**

**LII-Legal Information Institute at Cornell**

The LII's Supreme Court coverage provides detailed information about the Court and activities. In addition they provide a free alert service, *LII-bulletin*, that distributes syllabi of Court decisions via e-mail within hours after release.  

http://www.law.cornell.edu/focus/bulletins.html

**OyezOyez**

Includes audio of oral arguments and links to audio of NPR commentary.  

http://www.ooyez/frontpage

**USLW**

Library now subscribes to the BNA service in hard copy and electronic formats. They provide an e-mail alert for subscribers.

**US Supreme Court**

Court publishes opinions and Court-related information.  

http://www.supremecourtus.gov

**E. Symposia**

**Law School Symposia**

Site contains a list of current and upcoming law journal symposia. Each entry includes a brief description of the symposium.  

http://www.nku.edu/~chase/libsymposia.html
F. Technology
   beSpacific
   Law and technology resources for legal professionals. Includes e-mail alert service.  Http://www.bespacific.com

G. World
   UN News Center
   Site provides current awareness page and also includes e-mail alerts.  Http://www.un.org/News/

H. Miscellaneous Awareness Resources—BLOGS
   Blawg
   General directory of law and legal related weblogs:  http://blawg.org/

   Bloglines
   Service for searching, subscribing, publishing and sharing news feeds, blogs, and rich Web content:  Http://www.bloglines.com

   Law Professor Blogs
   Network of web logs designed by law professors for law professors. Covers a variety of subjects.  http://www.lawprofessorblogs.com

   Subject example:
   Corporate law blog: http://www.realcorporatelawyer.com

III. LISTSERVS

Lists for Law Professors