UCLA SCHOOL OF LAW HISTORY PROJECT: THE BUILDING

Photos from the UCLA School of Law Archive
Governor Warren signs AB 1361, which allocates funding for the building of a School of Law at UCLA in 1947
Newly appointed Dean, Dale Coffman, puts the School of Law on the UCLA map in 1949.
Sketch of the New Law Building

ca. 1949
February 15, 1950
Left to right: Dean L. Dale Coffman; Edward R. Dickson, UC Board of Regents; Visiting Professor Roscoe Pound; Judge F. Ray Bennett, president, UCLA Alumni Association; A.M. Mull Jr., president, State Bar of California; and Ernest Carroll Moore, former UCLA provost
Seated, left: Dean L. Dale Coffman; right: Visiting Professor Roscoe Pound
Standing, left to right: Professor Harold G. Verrall, Professor Rollin M. Perkins,
Professor Brainerd Currie, and Associate Professor, Law Librarian, Thomas S. Dabagh
Constructing the Law School

Edward Dickson, UC Board of Regents, and Professor Roscoe Pound look over the plans; Dean Coffman gets into the action, ca. 1949
Front of the Law School

ca. 1950s

Image from UCLA University Archives
Dean Coffman, Professor Pound, and two other gentlemen gather in the main hallway ca. 1950s
Moot Courtroom
Dean Coffman addresses a classroom full of guests (possibly during the 1951 dedication ceremony)
Law Library

c. 1950s
Front of the Law School

c. 1960s
Plans to Expand the Law School

October 18, 1963

Image on right from UCLA University Archives
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Image from UCLA University Archives
Construction View

August 31, 1965

Image from UCLA University Archives
Construction Views

October 28, 1965

January 21, 1966

Images from UCLA University Archives
“Regeneration” by Douglas Riseborough

Left Panel
Unveiled in the Law Library in 1969
“Regeneration” by Douglas Riseborough

Center Panel
Unveiled in the Law Library in 1969
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Right Panel
Unveiled in the Law Library in 1969
Professor David Binder, one of the Clinical Program’s founding faculty, instructs students in front of the construction zone, ca. 1980s.
Northridge Earthquake Aftermath

Librarian Adrienne Adan sorts through the Library Stacks, 1994
Ralph and Shirley Shapiro Courtyard dedicaed in 1994
Ralph & Shirley Shapiro Courtyard Views
Breaking Ground on the Law Library Addition

Dean Susan Prager, Richard Stack (Hugh & Hazel Darling Foundation representative), Dean William Warren, and Chancellor Charles Young, 1996
Albert and Judith Glickman Courtyard

Dedicated in 1997 and completed as part of the Darling Law Library construction project
Law Library Construction Plans

Students and faculty look at a model of the library construction plan, 1990s
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Arthur Rosett, Fred Smith and David Melinkoff look over library construction floor plans
Drawing of the Law Library Addition
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Decking the “Halls”

Staff hangs Christmas Lights in construction zone, 1996
The Tower
Tower Reading Room
Main Reading Room (above);
East Reading Room (right)
Library Views

East Reading Room (above); 2nd Floor Study Carrels (right)
Library Views

Deans Portrait Gallery

Darling Library Donor Wall
Then

Computers in the Library

Now
“Lincoln the Lawyer”

A bronze bust of Abraham Lincoln was gifted to the law school by UCLA alumni George Turner (class of ‘68) and the family of neurosurgeon and Sculptor Dr. Emil Seletz, 2001
Williams Institute Reading Room

Ribbon cutting ceremony with Charles Williams and Dean Varat, 2003
A. Barry Cappello Courtroom

The Cappello family at the dedication
October 28, 2009
Cappello Courtroom

Now

Then
Law School Views
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