# NYLI MEMBER SURVEY

# **REPORT – JUNE 2018**





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# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Lending services, document delivery, and research assistance are considered the most critical services at The New York Law Institute. Fully 97% of NYLI members who participated are satisfied or very satisfied with NYLI services, collections, and physical location.

#### **Project Summary**

The approaching 190th Anniversary of the New York Law Institute prompted the Board of Trustees and Management to elicit the opinion of NYLI members to inform NYLI's actions as it sets strategy, goals, and plans the future of its services, collection, and location. To meet this objective, NYLI's Executive Director engaged Law Library Management, Incorporated to design, deploy, analyze, and report the results of a detailed survey of the New York Law Institute members and staff.

#### **Background and Process**

An online survey was created to allow for anonymous response to maximize ease of participation, distribution, and analysis of the results. A total of 154 NYLI members took the survey in the spring of 2018, the vast majority (89%) of whom were law librarians. Nearly all participants were from organizations within New York City and 75% from organizations with between 100 and 1,000 attorneys.

#### **Findings and Conclusions**

An overwhelming majority of survey participants (97%) consider themselves "very satisfied" or "satisfied" with the services, collections, and location of the New York Law Institute and nearly all survey participants (95%) would recommend NYLI membership to colleagues.



#### "Extremely valuable support for the practice of law. Professional, enthusiastically helpful, and deeply knowledgeable staff."

# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

#### SERVICES



96% of survey participants report lending services to be "crucial" or "very valuable" to their organization

Most notable findings include that the lending services (96%), document delivery (92%), and research assistance (76%) services provided by the New York Law Institute are considered "crucial" or "very valuable" by the majority of members who participated in the survey.

"Being able to borrow books is very important as we've downsized our own collection. The historical statutes and superseded editions have come in handle on multiple occasions as well."

Participants also reported an exceedingly high satisfaction rate with regard to each of these services, ranging between 92%-96%. NYLI members reported an exceptionally high (96%) accuracy rate by the Law Institute's research staff and nearly all respondents (97%) would utilize this service again in the future.

"The Reference Staff is extremely knowledgeable, helpful, friendly, and prompt with their responses. I am grateful that they are available for help when I need it."



#### 97% of NYLI members would utilize reference services again

# "Your collection of historical statutes and superseded treatises has been so valuable."

#### CONTENT



An overwhelming majority (91%) of survey participants reported that they are "very satisfied" or "satisfied" with NYLI's print collection, while 81% consider themselves similarly "satisfied" or "very satisfied" with the eBook collection. 80% of respondents consider the print versions of texts/treatises "very important" or "extremely important", while 78% report the same about the eBook collection. Additionally, 76% found NYLI's collection of superseded books to be the most important while 70% felt similarly about the collection of statutes and regulations. Finally, NYLI's collection of records and briefs was rated "very important" or "extremely important" by 62% of participants.

"On the occasions when we have needed New York and historical material you have come through with flying colors."

Nearly 60% of survey participants base their acquisition decisions on the content available at The New York Law Institute. "I anticipate that the lending of texts/treatises will become increasingly more important as my library continues to aggressively reduce print over the next couple of years "





# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

### LOCATION

The majority (61%) of survey respondents were not interested in working onsite at The New York Law Institute, regardless of its location. Nearly 80% of survey participants considered NYLI's hours of operation to be satisfactory.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION**

- Based on participant suggestions, it is recommended that NYLI work to expand its reference services by offering more complex research assistance services
- Due to some reported difficulty with NYLI's eBooks and digital initiatives, making additional asynchronous training videos available on NYLI's website is recommended
- Additionally, offering synchronous "master class" advanced training webinars is advised
- With regard to the collection, priority should be given to the superseded print materials due to their level of expressed importance to members, while also maintaining the records and briefs collection
- Finally, it is recommended that NYLI maintain a Manhattan location due to the convenience and efficiency of print delivery services

# **MEMBER SURVEY RESULTS**

# SUMMARY OF RESULTS

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### SURVEY OBJECTIVE

Approaching the 190th Anniversary of the New York Law Institute has prompted the Board of Trustees and Management to undertake the mission of eliciting feedback of its members in order to plot the future of its services, collection, and location.

### METHODOLOGY

To accomplish this mission, the Director of Library Services engaged Law Library Management, Incorporated to design, deploy, analyze, and report the results of a detailed survey of the New York Law Institute membership and staff. An online survey was created to allow for anonymity of responses and to maximize ease of participation, distribution, and analysis of the results.

#### **SURVEY DISTRIBUTION:**

 Distributed electronically by emailing survey link to members, posting link on NYLI twitter feed, and posting on NYLI website

#### **SURVEY CONTENT:**

- Asked members and staff about NYLI's services, content, and location
- Quantitative rating scales frequency of usage, satisfaction, value of services and content to members
- Qualitative responses satisfaction with services and content, requests for specialized materials, print materials that should not be replaced by electronic versions, requests for services not currently offered

### **RESPONSE RATE AND DEMOGRAPHICS**

While the response rate was 8% of the overall membership (154 responses), almost all of the survey participants were librarians. This indicates that each librarian was responding on behalf of a single law firm/organization within the membership.

Responses were provided by librarians who represented organizations of varying sizes, with 75% of responses from organizations between 101 and 1,000 attorneys.

Therefore, we can be confident that the results of the survey are representative of the diversity of the membership.





### **GENERAL FINDINGS**

Results show that the overwhelming majority of survey respondents are very satisfied overall with the services, content, and the physical location of the NYLI.

> "Extremely valuable support for the practice of law. Professional, enthusiastically helpful, and deeply knowledgeable staff."

97% SATISFIED OR VERY SATISFIED WITH THE NYLI

#### Overall, how satisfied are you with the NYLI?



Would you recommend the NYLI to your colleagues?

95% would recommend NYLI TO colleagues



### "Your collection of historical statutes and superseded treatises has been so valuable."

"On the occasions when we have needed New York and historical material you have come through with flying colors."

SERVICES	LENDING TEXTS/TREATISES	DOCUMENT DELIVERY	
SERVICES The strongest positive responses in terms of frequency of usage, satisfaction with the service and value to the member came from our Reference Services, Lending Texts, Document Delivery, Research Services, and eBooks. Members are satisfied with the Seamless Catalog, Training Services, and Onsite Westlaw Access, however they had lower usage and are considered to be less critical services overall.	96% very valuable/crucial	92% very valuable/crucial	
	95% satisfied/very satisfied	<ul> <li>96% satisfied/very satisfied</li> </ul>	• "NYLI resources including the NYLI
	<ul> <li>78% expect same-day turnaround</li> </ul>		staff are extraordinary. The staff always
	RESEARCH ASSISTANCE	eBOOK ACCESS	goes above and beyond, and the
	76% very valuable/crucial	76% very valuable/crucial	turnaround is so quick. The eBook
	<ul> <li>92% satisfied/very satisfied</li> </ul>	86% satisfied/very satisfied	access has really
	<ul> <li>80% have used reference services, 97% would use again</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Those who were less satisfied may need training on how to access eBooks</li> </ul>	saved us time and effort time and time again."
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PRINT COLLEC • 80% very valuable/cruci • 91% satisfied/ satisfied "I anticipate that the of texts/treatises will increasingly more imp as my library continu- aggressively reduce over the next coup years."	<ul> <li>78% very valuable/crucial</li> <li>81% satisfied/very satisfied</li> <li>81% satisfied/very satisfied</li> <li>81% very valuable/crucial</li> <li>83% satisfied/very satisfied</li> </ul>	SUPERSEDED BOOKS     • 76% very valuable/crucial  • 74% satisfied/very satisfied    RECORDS & BRIEFS  • 62% very valuable/crucial  • 72% satisfied/very satisfied	CONTENT Print collection is crucial due to organizations drastically reducing their print subscriptions. Most satisfied and highest level of importance to statutes and regulations, eBooks, superseded materials, and records and briefs. Almost 60% of respondents base acquisition decisions on the content available at the NYLI Little agreement on which specialized materials to add
LOCATION Most responses indicated that the current hours of operation are adequate, while only a very small percentage of members requested evening or weekend hours.	<ul> <li>HOURS OF OPERATION</li> <li>78% current hours of operatio are adequate</li> <li>13% would like NYLI to be operation past 6pm</li> <li>7% would like weekend hours</li> </ul>	if NYLI moved ■ ~30% likely/very likely to services if stay downtov	o use onsite vn/moved Midtown

The majority of respondents do not plan to work onsite if the library were to move to another location, especially if it were to move to Brooklyn or Queens.

**ONSITE WORK SPACES** 

not use

• 50% not at all important

72% probably not/definitely

75% probably not/definitely

not use conference rooms

Little interest in onsite work space, co-working spaces, or conference room availability. How important is it to you that the NYLI has a patron onsite workspace, i.e. carrels, reading room, etc?

**Brooklyn/Queens** 



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# **DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY**



- 154 total responses (8% response rate for overall membership)
- Vast majority (89%) of survey participants were librarians, very few attorneys
- Almost all responses were from organizations within NYC
- 75% of responses were from organizations with between 100 and 1,000 attorneys

While the response rate for the overall membership was 8%, the high response rate for librarians most likely means that each response given by librarians represents the perspective of a separate organization in the membership. Therefore, it appears that a high percentage of the organizations within the membership are represented.

Percentage

**I** Yo satisfied or very satisfied with NYLI owould recommend NYLI to colleagues

## **OVERALL SATISFACTION**

#### Would you recommend the NYLI to your colleagues?







- WEBSITE AND KNOWLEDGE OF SERVICES PROVIDED BY NYLI
- DOCUMENT DELIVERY
- RESEARCH ASSISTANCE
- SEAMLESS CATALOG
- TRAINING
- LENDING TEXTS/TREATISES
- ONSITE ACCESS TO WESTLAW
- eBOOKS

### WEBSITE AND KNOWLEDGE OF SERVICES AVAILABLE

When you visit the NYLI website, can you easily find what you're seeking?

Do you know that NYLI services are available nationwide and can serve all of your offices? Do you know that NYLI staff has access to additional electronic services?



# **30%** unaware of Seamless Catalog Services**19%** unaware of Training Services

### Did you know that these services are offered to members of the NYLI?



### **DOCUMENT DELIVERY**



# How often do you use document delivery services at NYLI?



# How valuable are NYLI's document delivery services to your organization?



# How satisfied are you with NYLI's document delivery services?



### **RESEARCH ASSISTANCE**



use research assistance

sometimes

#### How often do you use research assistance services at NYLI?



#### How satisfied are you with NYLI's research assistance



How valuable are NYLI's research assistance services to your organization?

satisfied or very satisfied



### SEAMLESS CATALOG



58% rarely or never use the seamless catalog
21% use seamless catalog frequently

How often do you use the seamless catalog?

**48%** reported seamless catalog very valuable or crucial

satisfied or very satisfied

#### neutral (probably don't use





90 80 70 (%<sup>60</sup> 50 050 ventage ventage 45\_47 46 35\_34 28 <sup>30</sup> Pe 29 30 20 18 20 9 10 3 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 Very dissatisfied Dissatisfied Neither satisfied Satisfied Very satisfied nor dissatisfied

**0-100 101-500 501-1,000 1,001-4,000** 

How valuable is the seamless catalog to your organization?



14

### TRAINING

20

10

0

30

Very dissatisfied

0 0

0 0 0 0

Dissatisfied

Neither satisfied

nor dissatisfied -0-100 -101-500 -501-1,000 -1,001-4,000

Satisfied



18 <u>17</u>

Very satisfied

10

## LENDING TEXTS/TREATISES



31 å 30 30 23 20 20 <sup>16</sup> 15 15 15 10 10 6 5 3 0 2 0 0 0 Never Rarely Sometimes Daily Frequently

How satisfied are you with NYLI's text/treatise lending services?

-0-100 -101-500 -501-1,000 -1,001-4,000



What is an appropriate turn-around time for NYLI to deliver texts we loan to your organization?

0

**0-100 101-500 501-1,000 1,001-4,000** 

10

0 2 0

Little to no value

0

0

2

Somewhat valuable



25

Very valuable

Crucial

### **ONSITE ACCESS TO WESTLAW**

How often do you use onsite access to Westlaw at NYLI?

How valuable is onsite access to Westlaw at NYLI to your organization? How satisfied are you with NYLI's onsite access to Westlaw?



#### How often do you use onsite access to Westlaw at NYLI?



#### How satisfied are you with NYLI's onsite access to Westlaw?



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How valuable is onsite access to Westlaw at NYLI to your organization?



## eBOOKS



#### How often do you access eBooks through NYLI?







How valuable is access to eBooks through the NYL to your organization?



## **REFERENCE SERVICES**



Would you use the reference services again?



Is your organization able to recover any fees associated with your reference or research request?



80% have used reference services

97% would use reference services again

96% satisfied or very satisfied

**96%** say information provided by reference staff has been accurate

### **OPEN-ENDED RESPONSES – REFERENCE STAFF/RESEARCH ASSISTANCE**

always a good outcome when I request anything online or over email. website is useful, and Ralph can find just about anything I need.

I've been very satisfied with NYLI response time and accuracy of the information provided.

I appreciate the wonderful service that Karen, Ralph and the library team offers on a consistent basis!

Karen Oesterle is an invaluable resource. Always helpful, quick to respond and a pleasure to deal with.

#### Librarians at NYLI are wonderful

NYLI resources including the NYLI staff are extraordinary. The staff always goes above and beyond, and the turnaround is so quick. The EBook access has really saved us time and effort time and again. Thank you so much for being an

invaluable resource for Cravath.

NYLI's customer service is great. Karen and Ralph are very responsive. But finding and using eBooks through their catalog is difficult.

Reference staff has always been top-notch. I love all of Ellyssa's innovations.

Reference staff is very knowledgeable and efficient.

The lending and research services are very dependable. I can count on Ralph or Karen to answer my questions fully and promptly.

The New York Law Institute remains a vital, proactive and in many cases, a unique resource for legal research and materials that

either cannot be found in a "modern" law firm library (due to reduced resources and funding) and the staff

can take challenging questions and match resources quickly and accurately. There's excellent leadership,

judicious choices on which resources are made available to complement existing resources that other libraries

cannot afford.

The Reference Staff is extremely knowledgeable, helpful, friendly and prompt with their responses. I am grateful that they are available for help when i need it.

The reference staff is very knowledgeable and quick to respond to email & Telephone requests.

The research team always provide great service.

The staff knowledge and efficiency have been paramount to the services I use. In addition to e-books collection from other industries,

which has been useful to some occasional obscure research law librarians may have to do, it will be great to

add periodicals to the platform. I would like to know more about the seamless catalog and any training on this

in order to integrate it to our catalog.

Your staff is one of your most valuable assests. Karen and Ralph and Eileen make my job so much easier, and it is a pleasure to speak with such personable people.

Your staff is your most valuable asset. I cou dnoy do this without Ralpj, Karen, Eileen.

### **OPEN-ENDED RESPONSES – E-BOOKS**

re E-book access and Seamless Catalog, we don't have the technical capability on our end to use these services at this point.

Re: E-books, it's a great idea, but I almost never can find a title I'm looking for. Of course, that should not really be surprising.

The EBook option is good but there are problems accessing the ebooks from our computers. We have ask the people in IT department to install the software and the attorneys don't seem interested in using ebooks.

The search engine for ebooks brings up many mishits so it's time-consuming to search for ebooks.

We don't have Lexis and we love NYLI for having Lexis, so very helpful for us. Love the ease of borrowing print books and e-books.

Love the staff! Just such a great service all the way around. Keep up the good work!

Your e-book access is valuable, but the method for checking out books preempts me from checking out books for my attorneys

because they don't have their own unique login, and I cannot share my own credentials.

### **OPEN-ENDED RESPONSES – TRAINING**

I think you should offer training sessions as needed, when we have new joiners it doesn't make sense for them to wait a month.

I was not aware of the training program or the seamless catalog. I could see these being of potential use. Access to Westlaw,

particularly to Practical Law content is invaluable, especially for some of the content sets we may only need a

couple of times a year but that WL would charge us an arm & a leg for.

I wish you offered training (ProQuest Congressional, searching through the eBook catalog) more often

The legislative history training was excellent

### **OPEN-ENDED RESPONSES – LENDING TEXTS**

Being able to borrow books is very important as we've downsized our own collection. The historical statutes and superseded editions have come in handy on multiple occasions, as well.

I anticipate that the lending of texts/treatises will become increasingly more important as my library continues to aggressively reduce print over the next couple of years.

It would be great if you could offer more legal treatises from the major vendors as e-books, but I understand why that's not possible due to licensing. Access to your treatise lending and doc delivery are essential to us and an extremely

important part of our membership.

On the occasions when we have needed NY and historical material you have come through with flying colors.

### **OPEN-ENDED RESPONSES – GENERAL COMMENTS**

Extremely valuable support for the pratice of law. Professional, enthusiastically helpful, and deeply knowledgable staff.

have contract with Westlaw. No need to use through NYLI. Appreciate you all have Lexis, because we don't.

I am a big fan of NYLI services and greatly appreciate their offerings.

I love NYLI and I'm happy we are a member.

I serve as a clerk here in a smaller office. The Librarians in the DC office and the main office use the resources more than I.

I work in the library, but not in a research capacity. I am a project coordinator for the technical services side, so my experiences

with NYLI resources are only related to cataloging or special projects. That said, I find them useful whenever .

I do use them

Initial view of catalog search results provides extraneous results not in the NYLI print collection, e.g., FDsys results.

NYLI is fantastic! Please keep up the good work!

Overall, we are happy with NYLI services. NYLI is always very responsive to any questions and concerns we have. Thank you.

Since I am in another state, I don't often think in terms of reaching out to the NYLI. Usually I go there if there is a need in our NY

office. And so, I don't often use your site/resources and therefore am not as familiar as I could be. That said,

when I do make a request, your service is stellar for which I am grateful! On the e-books, again I don't make

use often and so am not as familiar as I could be.

Still trialing NYLI. Learning all the services will be an ongoing learning process dictated by our organizational service needs.

The NYLI has proved to be a valuable resource.

We use these services on the occasion we need them. It is excellent to know they are available to us.

Your service is very good. I rely on your services. Thank you

## **OPEN-ENDED RESPONSES – OTHER SERVICES NOT CURRENTLY OFFERED**

Emergency space for lawyers in a crisis

Filing services

- PRINT COLLECTION
- eBOOKS
- MICROFORMS
- SUPERSEDED BOOKS
- RARE BOOKS
- RECORDS AND BRIEFS
- PLI COURSE HANDBOOKS
- STATUTES AND REGULATIONS
- SPECIALIZED MATERIALS

### **PRINT COLLECTION**

How satisfied are you with NYLI's print collection of texts/treatises?



## How important is it for you and your organization to have access to print versions of texts/treatises?



# **91%** satisfied or very satisfied with print collection

**80%** reported print versions of texts/treatises are very important or extremely important

# How satisfied are you with NYLI's print collection of texts/treatises?



## How important is it for you and your organization to have access to print versions of texts/treatises?



### eBOOKS

#### How satisfied are you with NYLI's eBook collection?



# How important is it for you and your organization to have access to eBooks at the NYLI?



# **81%** satisfied or very satisfied with eBook collection

**78%** access eBooks very important or extremely important

# How satisfied are you with NYLI's collection of eBooks?



# How important is it for you and your organization to have access to eBooks through the NYLI?



### **MICROFORMS**

How satisfied are you with NYLI's microforms collection?



How important is it for you and your organization to have access to microforms at the NYLI?



## $\mathbf{57\%}$ satisfied or very satisfied with microform collection

 $\mathbf{43\%}$  access to microforms very

#### How satisfied are you with NYLI's collection of microforms?

48

10

35

14

Satisfied

3

25

35

Neither satisfied

nor dissatisfied **0-100 101-500 501-1,000 1,001-4,000** 

17

0 0 0

Dissatisfied

50

38

30

90

80 70

Percentage (%) 6 05 09

30

20

10

0

0 0 0 0

Very dissatisfied



#### How important is it for you and your organization to have access to microforms through the NYLI?

### SUPERSEDED BOOKS

#### How satisfied are you with NYLI's collection of superseded books?





74% satisfied or very satisfied with collection of superseded books **76%** say access to superseded books

#### How satisfied are you with NYLI's collection of superseded books?



#### How important is it for you and your organization to have access to superseded books through the NYLI?



### **RARE BOOKS**

How satisfied are you with NYLI's collection of rare books?



How important is it for you and your organization to have access to rare books at the NYLI?



59% satisfied or very satisfied with collection of rare books

**41%** say access to rare books very important or extremely important

# How satisfied are you with NYLI's collection of rare books?



# How important is it for you and your organization to have access to rare books through the NYLI?



### **RECORDS AND BRIEFS**

How satisfied are you with NYLI's collection of records and briefs?

# Very dissatisfied 0% Very satisfied 38% Very satisfied 28% Satisfied 34%

## How important is it for you and your organization to have access to records and briefs at the NYLI?





62% say records and briefs collection very important or extremely important

## How satisfied are you with NYLI's collection of records and briefs?

8

Percentage



How important is it for you and your organization to have access to records and briefs through the NYLI?



### **PLI COURSE HANDBOOKS**

How satisfied are you with NYLI's collection of PLI course handbooks?



How important is it for you and your organization to have access to PLI course handbooks at the NYLI?



66% satisfied or very satisfied with collection of PLI course handbooks

**48%** say PLI course handbook collection very important or extremely important

# How satisfied are you with NYLI's collection of PLI course handbooks?





## STATUTES AND REGULATIONS

How satisfied are you with NYLI's collection of statutes and regulations?

How important is it for you and your organization to have access to statutes and regulations through the NYLI?



83% satisfied or very satisfied with collection of statutes and regulations

**70%** say statutes and regulations collection very important or extremely important

# How satisfied are you with NYLI's collection of statutes and regulations?



How important is it for you and your organization to have access to statutes and regulations through the NYLI?



### **GENERAL CONTENT AND SPECIALIZED MATERIALS**

Do you base your own acquisition decisions for both print and electronic resources on what is available through the NYLI?



How important is it for you and your organization to have access to specialized materials through the NYLI?

Not at all important





 $\mathbf{58\%}$  base acquisition decisions on what is available through NYLI

**51%** say access to specialized important

**53%** size 0-100 attorneys say access to specialized materials is extremely important

### OPEN-ENDED RESPONSES – TITLES MUST HAVE IN PRINT BECAUSE ELECTRONIC VERSION IS NOT ADEQUATE

Any multivolume Matthew bender title New York Jurisprudence anything by Matthew Bender Anything the partner is asking me for :) Aspen / Wolters Kluwer; NITA publications CCH looseleaf services. CCH Tax titles Collier's on Bankruptcy Mckinney (current and superseded) Need statutes and regs for submission in court filings. New York Practice set; superseded statutes nothing jumps out to me right now. Periodicals and superseded treatises. PLI collection PLI Titles. Tax Management Portfolios. Superseded statutes volumes. Not adequate on Lexis/Westlaw. Old session laws and USCAAN. Any US or state government reports. Most firms are not providing their libraries with sufficient space to retain these materials any longer. Superseded USCAS, superseded stats, older editions of treatises like wright & Miller, Superseded versions of treatises, laws and regulations. Tax Treatises, i.e. Garlock, Bittker, Rhoades & Langer TMPs Usually not necessary to have in print as long as someone (either us or you) has access to it in some form or another We recently downsized our collection. Basically anything we tossed we need to have access in hard copy because there's always

Your collection of historical statutes and superseded treatises has been so valuable.

## OPEN-ENDED RESPONSES – SPECIALIZED MATERIALS INTERESTED IN IF NYLI EXPANDS GENERAL COLLECTION

Academic treatises on topics such as accounting and business are helpful. Legal treatises from the major vendors are essential.

Since PLI removed their content from Bloomberg, access to PLI titles would be very useful. Corporate and

securities are our primary topics of interest, but as we cancel print editions of litigation titles, we would need

access to alternatives there as well.

Arbitration

Arbitration, International, Health Care. Ability to access small legal publishers. NAIC publications.

Collier on Bankruptcy

FASB and other financial services materials.

Federal Tax Treatises

Finance, Technology, Scienc

GAAP material ; Tax material ; ALA publications ; AmLaw material - especially annual surveys

I would have said accounting treatises but the ebook collection has greatly expanded content in those areas.

International law

International titles

IP, International Litigation There's probably more areas.

IP.

Labor & Employment Health Law

Material on current topics such as cybersecurity

Medical, psychological and forensic

n/a

no opinion as this can change over time, but digital is preferable to print because of location

Not sure

NY leg history

Oil and Gas Taxation

Oil and Gas, especially tax treatment of oil and gas.

Perhaps publishers scientific journals i.e. ScienceDirect

Pretty satisfied, already

public service commission-ny

Тах

Tax, Securities

Technical Dictionaries for all years.

White Collar Crime

White collar crime treatises

# OPEN-ENDED RESPONSES – OTHER ONLINE RESOURCES WOULD LIKE TO HAVE ACCESS TO THROUGH THE NYLI

all HeinOnline databases
Bloomberg Law
Bloomberg Terminal, Capital IQ, PLI Plus
Brill and Cambridge University Press onlline
Business/ financial data resources.
CCH, Aspen, and/or Wolters Kluwer treatises (or Cheetah access)
Coles directories; Medical, psychological and forensic databases
Expanded ProQuest e-book collection
Hein Online
Hein Online. My firm is too large to access Hein Online via NYLI.
HeinOnline
if it's onsite access, that does not help
IntelliConnect/Cheetah.
It would be great to have Bloomberg Law access for some of their treatise content. We have had several print subscriptions cancelled
where they are requiring a full BLAW seat. Some partners were paying for copies out of their pockets and don't
want to (obviously) pay 3x the price for a BLAW license.
Law360
Lexis
Lexis, Wall St. Journal
Matthew Bender, Lexis titles
More international resources and state materials such as California and Texas
More Matthew Bender ebooks
n/a
newspapers
no
Not presently, but a smaller firm might need more access to other resources.
Online access to Hein Online without the 50 or less attorney number requirement
PEI (Private Equity International, Private Equity Real Estate, Private Deal Investor, etc.) content is hard to come by and would be useful.

Practical Law, all modules; The Lawyer (premium content);

Yes, JSTOR, Science Direct, Elsevier, Ovid., Peace library.

# LOCATION

- HOURS OF OPERATION
- LOCATION
- PATRON ONSITE WORKSPACES

# LOCATION

## **GENERAL ONSITE SERVICES AND LOCATION**

I would continue to work onsite if the library were to move to another location Would you be likely to access onsite services and collections if the library were to stay in downtown Manhattan? Would you be likely to access onsite services and collections if the library were to move to midtown Manhattan?





# **STAFF SURVEY RESULTS**

# **SERVICES (Staff Perceptions)**

### **DOCUMENT DELIVERY**

How often do members use document delivery services at NYLI?



How valuable are document delivery services to members?

How satisfied are members with document delivery services at NYLI?



### **RESEARCH ASSISTANCE**

How often do members use research services at NYLI?



How valuable are research assistance services to members?

How satisfied are members with research assistance services at NYLI?



### SEAMLESS CATALOG

seamless catalog at NYLI? 5 5 Number of Responses of Responses Number 2 1 0 n 0 0 Never Rarely Sometimes Frequently Daily

How often do members use the to members?

0

value

How valuable is the seamless catalog

Somewhat

valuable

3

How satisfied are members with the seamless catalog at NYLI?



# **SERVICES (Staff Perceptions)**

### TRAINING

How often do members use training services at NYLI?

How valuable are training services to members?

How satisfied are members with training services at NYLI?





### **LENDING TEXTS/TREATISES**



How valuable are lending services to members?



## How satisfied are members with lending services at NYLI?



### **ONSITE ACCESS TO WESTLAW**



How often do members use onsite access to Westlaw?

How valuable is onsite access to Westlaw to members?

How satisfied are members with the onsite access to Westlaw?



# SERVICES (Staff Perceptions)

### **eBOOKS**

4

Number of Responses

1

0

How often do members use eBooks at NYLI?



How satisfied are members with eBooks available through NYLI?

0

Very

satisfied



### **GENERAL SERVICE QUESTIONS**

Are members' usage of reference services increasing, decreasing, or staying the same as in the past?



What delivery deadlines do you hear most from members when they ask to borrow material?



## **KNOWLEDGE OF SERVICES**

Do members know that these services are offered to members of the NYLI?



### **PRINT VERSIONS OF TEXTS/TREATISES**

How important is it for members to have access print versions of texts/treatises?





### **eBOOKS OR OTHER ELECTRONIC VERSIONS OF TEXTS/TREATISES**

How important is it for members to have access to eBook versions of texts/treatises?



How satisfied are members with the eBook collection of texts/treatises at NYLI?



### MICROFORMS

How important is it for members to have access to microforms?



How satisfied are members with collection of microforms at NYLI?



### SUPERSEDED BOOKS

# How important is it for members to have access to superseded books?



### **RARE BOOKS**

How important is it for members to have access to rare books?



### **RECORDS AND BRIEFS**

## How important is it for members to have access to records and briefs?



How satisfied are members with the collection of superseded books at NYLI?



## How satisfied are members with the collection of rare books at NYLI?



How satisfied are members with collection of records and briefs at NYLI?



### **PLI COURSE HANDBOOKS**

# How important is it for members to have access to PLI course handbooks?



## STATUTES AND REGULATIONS

How important is it for members to have access to statutes and regulations?



## SPECIALIZED MATERIALS

How important is it for members to have access to specialized materials?



How satisfied are members with the collection of PLI course handbooks at NYLI?



How satisfied are members with the collection of statutes and regulations at NYLI?



Have members expressed a desire for more specialized materials that are not currently available through the NYLI?



### **GENERAL CONTENT QUESTIONS**

Have members expressed a desire for other electronic resources that are not currently provided by the NYLI?



Have members contacted you to find out what we have available to them before they decide to acquire the title themselves?



Have you ever received a request that required you to innovate a creative solution on your own because there were no NYLI protocols to accommodate the request?



A member asked for the definition of an acronym that did not come up in any catalog or internet search and was not known to the reference librarians. As we knew it was in the finance area, I called a broker friend and asked what the acronym meant. Quickly solved and made the member happy. We also use NYPL's and our own universities' online journal databases to search for articles not available in our usual sources, to good avail.

Looking for an article that was not in any database and I googled the author and in his firm profile was a link for the article that was needed.

### **OPEN-ENDED QUESTIONS WITH NO RESPONSES**

If there are print titles frequently mentioned by our members that we don't have, please list them below.

Please share any ideas you may have concerning our content and services that is not covered in this survey.

If you would like to elaborate on your ratings of value or satisfaction for any of the services listed above, please do so in the space provided.

# RECOMMENDATIONS

### SERVICES

Enhance services already provided due to high levels of satisfaction, and possibly add additional services to meet changing needs of the membership

#### **RESEARCH SERVICES**

- Members are very satisfied with ready reference/research services and the performance of the research staff
- Consider growing this service by offering more complex research assistance services

#### **TRAINING SERVICES**

- Members reported difficulty with accessing e-books, may want to consider making webinars available on NYLI site as needed (e.g. short videos on how to access ebooks or sync seamless catalog)
- Consider offering master class research webinars to add higher level of training services

### CONTENT

Print collection is crucial due to organizations drastically reducing their print subscriptions. Prioritize some print materials, other less critical print materials can be put in storage

#### PRIORITIZE SUPERSEDED MATERIALS

- High level of importance to members,
- so retaining these materials is crucial

# MAINTAIN COLLECTION OF RECORDS & BRIEFS

 Membership relies on NYLI's collection because hard to obtain elsewhere

#### PUT SOME PLI COURSE HANDBOOKS IN STORAGE

 Less than half report this collection is important, but to 48% it's crucial

#### **REVISIT ON-SITE ACCESS TO WESTLAW**

- Low usage suggests behind the desk access is crucial to members
- Consider change to behind the desk availability

### LOCATION

Location in Manhattan is essential for turnaround time for text and document delivery services, and for some, onsite access to services and collections

#### MAINTAIN CURRENT LOCATION

- Few use onsite services, and would be even less likely to do so if NYLI moved to Brooklyn or Queens
- Location in Manhattan crucial for lending texts and document delivery

#### NO NEED FOR ADDITIONAL SPACE

 Members expressed little interest in onsite workspaces

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