

***HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES COURTS
IN THE EIGHTH CIRCUIT, NEBRASKA BRANCH***

Report for the Year Ending June 30, 2011

As President of the Nebraska Branch, I submit herewith a report of the activities of the Branch to the parent organization, the Historical Society of the United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit.

First, attached hereto is the financial report prepared by the Branch Treasurer. The Branch remains in good fiscal condition. It currently holds \$14,994.33 in an insured account.

Second, the officers of the Branch and the Branch representatives to the parent Society remain the same. That is, Jeanette Stull is the President, John Sharp is the Secretary, and Frank Mihulka is the Treasurer. Judge Richard Kopf and Ms. Stull serve as representatives of the Nebraska Branch on the Board of Directors of the parent Society.

Third, during the course of the year, the officers and directors held several meetings with Professors Mark Scherer and John Wunder to discuss completion of the history of the United States District Court for the District of Nebraska. A good deal of work has been completed but there is much more to do. Professor Scherer shared with the officers and directors of the Branch a sample of his work to date. We were very pleased with the scholarship evidenced by the sample, and were impressed by Professor Scherer's plain but beautiful writing style.

Finally, we are happy to report that Judge Urbom's book detailing his fascinating life as a lawyer and judge will be published by the prestigious *University of Nebraska Press* in the fall of 2012. As noted last year, Judge Urbom devotes a good deal of his book to historically significant matters such as the "Wounded Knee" cases that Judge Urbom was specially assigned to hear. The Branch has agreed to provide \$5,000 to support publication and dissemination of this fascinating contribution to the legal history of the high plains.

Respectfully submitted,

s/Jeanette Stull

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DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA BRANCH OF THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY
OF THE UNITED STATES COURTS IN THE EIGHTH CIRCUIT

July 8, 2011

The Honorable Richard G. Kopf
United States District Court
Robert F. Denny Federal Building
and United States Courthouse
100 Centennial Mall North #586
Lincoln, Nebraska 68508

In re: Financial Report of the District of
Nebraska Branch of the Historical Society of the
United States Courts in the Eighth Circuit

Dear Judge Kopf:

As Treasurer for the District of Nebraska Branch, I am pleased to provide the following financial report:

June 30, 2010 Balance	\$14,967.57
Interest Earned 7/1/10 through 6/30/11	<u>26.76</u>
June 30, 2011 Balance	\$14,994.33

All funds of the Branch are held in an insured, interest bearing account at Bank of the West in Omaha, Nebraska in the name of Historical Society of US Courts-Nebraska Branch. Account records are available for inspection at any time upon request.

Respectfully submitted,



FRANK J. MIHULKA
Treasurer