

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

Report for the Year Ending June 30, 2016

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 Courts in the Eighth Circuit.

First, under separate cover, the financial report prepared by the Branch Treasurer has been provided to the parent organization. The Branch remains in good fiscal condition. It currently holds \$10,022.23 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, Judge Kopf represented the Branch at the Eighth Circuit Judicial Conference and at an educational seminar during the conference on tips for the various branches. He spoke on fund raising and ethics including the Codes of Conduct Committee advisory opinion relevant to the Society and the various branches.

Fourth, 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. We believe the book, covering the period between the beginnings of the court and extending through the 1920s or 1930s will be finally completed in the relative near future. We are hopeful that the University of Nebraska Press will publish the book perhaps using the highly regarded Bison Books imprint for general-interest books about the American West.

We have stressed to Professor Scherer the need to complete the book as soon as possible, especially given the fact that project had been in the works for more than a decade. It is important to note that Professor Scherer has essentially worked on the project for free. We are indeed lucky to have his expert assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

s/Jeanette Stull

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