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Director's Corner

Angela T. Baldree

I am happy to announce that Franklin County Municipal Judge Jarrod Skinner has been appointed to the Franklin County Law Library Resources Board to fulfill the unexpired term of Judge Fais.



Judge Skinner has been on the bench since 2018. Prior to that, he was an Assistant Prosecutor for the City of Columbus. Please join me in welcoming him to our board. I am especially proud because in the law library's 134 year history, Judge Skinner is the first person of color to serve on our board.

Speaking of Municipal Court, operations will return to 375 S. High Street on July 6, 2021. It will be nice to have our Municipal Court neighbors back in the courthouse complex.

Remote Resources Available

Regardless of our status, our patrons can continue to use our resources remotely.



- Email us your research requests at fcll-info@franklincountyohio.gov. We usually answer requests within the hour.
- [Fastcase](#) is an online research database similar to Lexis and Westlaw. You can access this site remotely using the username FranklinCounty and password fastcase.
- [National Consumer Law Center](#). You have access to their 21 treatises on consumer law using the username FCLL and password 4Research.
- [eBooks](#) are available through our website. Several Matthew Bender handbooks are available. You only need your law library card number.
- We have [57 Legal Research Guides](#) to help you on any number of topics. These guides are compiled by our Reference Librarian and contain information vital to your topic.
- The [Ohio Legal Help Portal](#) is another great resource for finding legal

assistance.

- Feel free to download any of our [legal forms](#).



Podcast Roundup

Minnie Ozbeytemur

With Independence Day occurring this month, consider enjoying one of these podcasts or YouTube channels about the history of the United States.

Podcasts:

[American History Tellers](#)

[The American History Podcast](#)

[This Day in Esoteric Political History](#)

[American Biography](#)

[A History of the United States](#)

[1619](#)

YouTube:

[National Museum of American History](#)

[Crash Course US History](#)

[Women's History Month](#)

[Crash Course Black American History](#)

Tech Talk - More on Backups

Steve Stultz, FCLL IT Coordinator

I wrote about the importance of backups a little over a year ago. Since then, ransomware has become even more prevalent, with ransoms demanded by cyber crooks having reached an average of \$170,000 earlier this year. And, even if your business pays the ransom (and you should not), there is no guarantee that the crooks will decrypt and return your data, or even that they'll be able to. Ransomware has evolved considerably in the past year to more easily infect our systems and to better remain undetected until it's too late. RaaS, or Ransomware as a Service, has blossomed, allowing would-be crooks to purchase a ransomware service on the dark web and deploy against victims without needing to have any cyber or programming experience. Backup is the last line of defense against ransomware and other reasons for data loss, so let's take another look.



Common Backup Schemes

All of these are important, and I recommend that you regularly perform all of them:

- **Mirrors** – These are not true backups, because they delete data on the source that's not on the destination. But they are useful for keeping a one-to-one copy of your documents, databases, photos, and email.
- **Backups** – True backups keep data on the backup destination even if the same data on the source is deleted. True backups can also be either versioned (they hold multiple versions of each file), or non-versioned (they hold only the most recent versions of each file).
- **Images** – These are “snapshots” of your entire computer or server hard

drive. These backups store not just data, but also Windows, settings, login accounts, desktop layouts, installed software, and data. These are useful in case of a hard drive failure. You can quickly get back up and running without reinstalling Windows, apps, and data. In case of disaster, you can restore the image, then restore your most recent backup on top of that.

- **CDP** – This is not a separate scheme, but an important addition to any of the schemes above. CDP is *Continuous Data Protection*. This works by updating your backup with updated data in real time as soon as it's changed.

Backup Rule of Thumb:

Think 3-2-1: Have at least *three* copies of your data, on *two* different kinds of media, and *one* off-site. You should also keep at least one current backup air gapped. That is, one that is unplugged from your computer as soon as each backup completes. That's because ransomware and other malware will seek out connected backups and attempt to destroy or encrypt those too.

Backup Software and Services to Consider:

- SyncBack (www.2brightsparks.com)
- MSP360/CloudBerry (www.msp360.com)
- Backup4All (www.backup4all.com)
- HD Clone (<https://www.miray.de/products/applications/hdclone.html>)
- Wasabi Hot Cloud Storage (<https://wasabi.com/cloud-storage-pricing/>)
- Carbonite (<https://www.carbonite.com/backup-software/buy-carbonite-safe>)
- IDrive (<https://www.idrive.com>)
- Acronis True Image (<https://www.acronis.com/en-us/products/true-image>)

What We're Reading

Law Library Staff Share Their Favorites

Here are some of our recent favorite books. Share what you're reading on our Facebook page and we'll include them in future newsletters.



Angela: *Light from Other Stars* by Erika Swyler, *Before She Knew Him* by Peter Swanson, and *The Cruellest Month* by Louise Penny

Minnie: *Child 44* by Tom Rob Smith, *I'm Thinking of Ending Things* by Ian Reid, and *Myst* by Rand Miller

Susanna: *How to Fail at Flirting* by Denise Williams, *The Midnight Witness* by Sara Blaedel, and *The Intimacy Experiment* by Rosie Danan

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