HIGHLIGHTS: ARL ACADEMIC LAW LIBRARY STATISTICS, 2011–2012

• Out of 115 ARL university libraries, 74 responded to this survey.¹

• Law libraries reported median values of 438,034 volumes held and 162,702 titles. Also, these libraries employed the full-time equivalent of 1,957 staff members in the fiscal year 2011–2012.

• Responding libraries reported total expenditures of $224,500,879.² As seen in the graph below, library materials expenditures made up the largest portion of the total, with approximately 49% of aggregated expenses falling under a materials-related category.

• Law libraries reported a total of $19,074,157 in one-time resource purchases and $83,484,120 in ongoing resource purchases.

EXPENDITURES IN ARL ACADEMIC LAW LIBRARIES 2011–2012

1 Eighty-two ARL university libraries included data for a law library in the 2011–2012 ARL Statistics. Among them, Alberta, British Columbia, Calgary, Laval, McGill, Manitoba, Ottawa, Pittsburgh, SUNY-Buffalo, and Wayne State did not complete this survey. Colorado completed this survey but did not include law library data in the ARL Statistics. Rutgers has two administratively independent law libraries, which respond separately to this survey; they are aggregated together in the ARL Statistics.

2 This figure includes Canadian universities, whose expenditures were converted to U.S. dollars at the rate of 1.0037Can$ = 1 US$, the average monthly noon exchange rate published in the Bank of Canada Review for the period July 2011–June 2012.