PROFESSOR WILLIAM E. BUTLER TO PRESENT "MONUMENTS OF IMPERIAL RUSSIAN LAW" AT YALE LAW SCHOOL

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Professor William E. Butler will present "Monuments of Imperial Russian Law," an exhibition talk on May 9 in New Haven, Connecticut. Professor Butler has been lead curator of a rare book exhibit at Yale Law School's Lillian Goldman Law Library focused on the history of Russian law. The event begins at 1:00 p.m. and is open to the public.

The exhibition features principal landmarks in Russia's pre-1917 literature, including "Sobornoe ulozhenie," the first written collection of Russian laws, published in 1649 and three versions of the "Nakaz," the law code revised by Empress Catherine the Great. Additional details about the exhibit can be found on the Yale Law Library Rare Books Blog.

Professor Butler is the John Edward Fowler Distinguished Professor of Law and International Affairs at Penn State. The world's preeminent scholar on the law of Russia and the former Soviet Union, Professor Butler is author or editor of more than 120 books on Soviet, Russian, Ukranian, and former CIS legal systems.