Moakley Law Library Newsletter April 2023





Good Luck on Finals!



-your friends at the Moakley Law Library

It's the Finals Countdown!

We're winding down the year with a recap of some of the best resources we've collected, as well as some exciting recent developments at the library. In this issue, we have an in-depth scoop on our new legal research librarian, an exciting new space dedicated to Suffolk Law's history and pride, and the return of riddle-based funtivities! Stressed about finals? We have you covered, with a variety of exam prep resources such as multiple choice questions, past exams, audio lectures, practice essays, and more—and information on our upcoming final exam coffee breaks! There's so much yet to look forward to!

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Moakley Law Library Art Gallery

Coming in May: New 7th Floor Interactive Gallery Space Highlights Suffolk Law History and Pride!

Starting in May, stop by the new 7th floor gallery space in the elevator area and check out the inaugural exhibit that celebrates Suffolk Law School history and pride which includes two interactive elements, historic photos of current Suffolk Law School faculty and administrators and a large collection of images and documents from Suffolk Laws past—beginning with the Law Schools early days in the early 1900s—to the second half of the 20th century.

Study Aids and Exam Prep

Learn about our Study Aids and Exam Prep LibGuide!

But first, what are study aids? Study aids are commercially produced resources to help you understand legal concepts. Their formats vary and include: commercial outlines, flashcards, audio lessons, case briefs, and more! The law library currently



subscribes to <u>West Academic Study Aids</u>, giving you remote and online access to multiple study aids. The law library has also put together a Study Aids and Exam Prep guide for First-Year courses and Upper-Level classes. <u>Access it here!</u> You'll also find <u>law school exam resources</u>, <u>audio lectures</u> and <u>podcasts</u>, and more about how to navigate your exams with ease.

You can find different types of materials in different study aids. Some offer practice essays and answers and multiple choice questions and answers, while others, such as hornbooks, offer a brief overview of the law.

Audio Lessons

- CALI
- Law School Legends Audio
- Office Hours
- Sum and Substance Audio

Case Briefs

- High Court Case Summaries
- Legalines

Commercial Outlines

- CrunchTime Series
- Gilbert Law Summaries
- Quick Reviews

Essay Questions and Answers:

- Crunch Time Series
- Exam Pro
- Step-By-Step Guide

Exam Prep

Acing Series

Hornbooks

- Concepts and Insights
- Concise Hornbook Series
- Hornbooks Treatises

Multiple Choice Questions and Answers:

- Exam Pro
- Glannon Guide

Problem Based Aids:

- CALI Lessons
- Examples & Explanations Series

Overviews

- Law Stories
- Nutshell Series
- Short & Happy Guides
- <u>Understanding Series</u>

Featured Library Services

Study Rooms



Reserve one of the Moakley Law Library's study rooms with <u>the study room reservation system</u>.

Study rooms are located on the 5th, 6th, and 7th floors and are private spaces to study alone or with a small group. Reserve a room for up to four (4) hours a day and up to twenty-four (24) hours a week.

*Room 295 will be available from 11:00pm - 2:00am as a study space during finals.

Past Exams Database

Check to see if your professors have uploaded any of their <u>past</u> <u>exams</u>! What better way to practice for that Civ Pro exam? Many professors also share past exams on their course Blackboard



page. Always check with your professors first to see where you can find their most recent past exams.

Earplugs



Do you study better with no noise? Moakley Law Library has you covered!

Pick up a pair of free earplugs from the basket on the table in front of the circulation desk on the 6th floor.

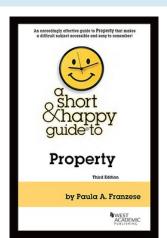
Puzzles and De-stressers

Need to focus on something that isn't studying? Check out our puzzles, coloring books, and board games on the 7th floor of the Moakley Law Library.



Tools to Know About

Short and Happy Guides



The <u>Short and Happy Guides</u> are a series of study aids available online on <u>West Academic</u> that provide a concise overview of the fundamentals of the law in a fun, accessible way.

These guides cover subjects from first year doctrinal classes such as Property and Civil Procedure to more advanced topics, including Elder Law and Business Organizations. There are even titles on studying for the MPRE and MBE. Check them out to study in a less stressful way!

Headspace

Law school is stressful, especially during finals! Take some time to de-stress with <u>free</u> access to the Headspace app through Suffolk University Counseling, Health, and Wellness.

You can use the Headspace app to help improve stress levels and sleep, get moving to strengthen both your physical and mental wellbeing, and to help improve your focus.



Advice for 1Ls from Suffolk Law Professors

Developing your legal practice skills is a marathon, not a sprint. It's not how you start, it is how you finish. Finish strong! Avoid hitting the wall. Run a negative split. A negative split is when you run the second half of a long race faster than the first half. Even if it is one second faster, manage your energy and pace yourself so you can kick it up a notch in the final stretch of the semester. You have the endurance, growth mindset, and perseverance to use all of your legal practice skills training to succeed through the finish line. Remember how much you have learned in your journey.



AS YOU FINISH YOUR FIRST YEAR OF LAW SCHOOL, IT IS IMPORTANT TO REFLECT ON YOUR JOURNEY AND GRASP THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE LEGAL WRITING TOOLS YOU HAVE LEARNED. REWARD YOURSELF FOR YOUR GROWTH -- FROM YOUR FIRST OM TO THE FINAL PM AND PREDICTIVE WRITING ASSIGNMENT.

REMEMBER THOUGH, THAT LIKE ANY GOOD TOOL, GREAT LEGAL WRITING SKILLS REQUIRE FINE TUNING AND CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT.

-PROF. COLIN BLACK

Meet Our New Legal Research Librarian!

There's a bright new face at the research desk:
Legal Research Librarian Joy Hovestadt! A
newcomer to Suffolk but not to the area (she's a
native of Lincoln, MA) Joy moved to Boston to
pursue a student-facing position that would allow
her to pursue legal research. Joy is no stranger to
the legal or library worlds though! She was an
assistant city attorney for the city of Burlington,
VT, and later the circulation coordinator at
Champlain College in Burlington. One of her
favorite parts of working in an academic library is



helping students realize their research-based potential, and introducing them to the resources they will need to succeed. Joy was on law review in law school, so she's prepared to help you with all those tricky Bluebooking questions. When she's not at the research desk, you can find her watching horror movies, hanging out with her cat, Harvey (an expert birdwatcher), or attending a Celtics game!

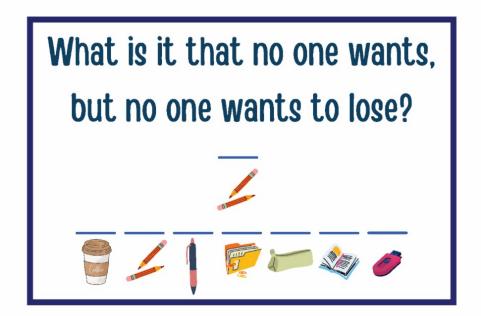
Funtivity!

Secret Code

FINALS SECRET CODE PUZZLE

Each letter of the alphabet has a corresponding symbol. Match up the symbol to the correct letter to solve the riddle.





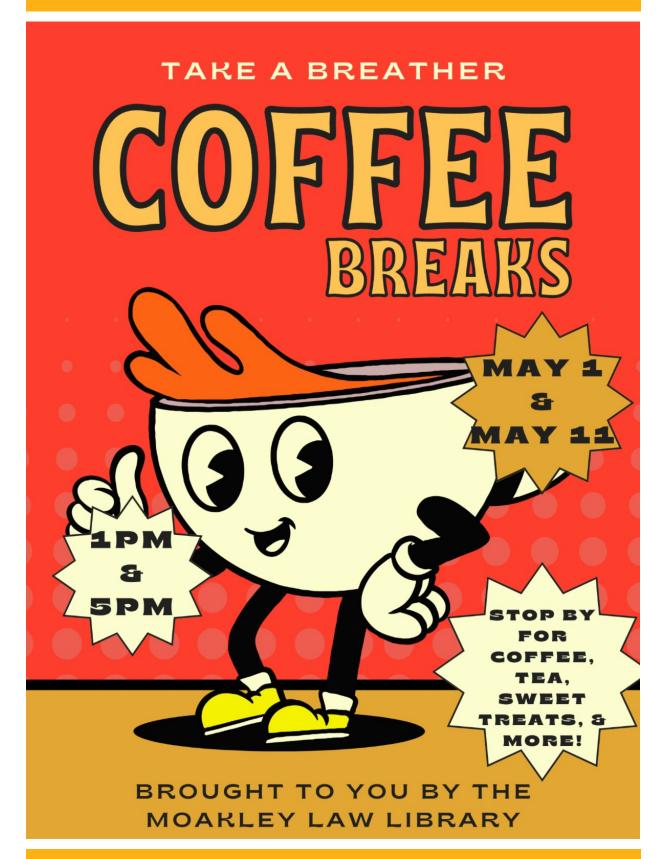
Scroll to the end of the newsletter for the answer!

Tech Corner

Law Dojo



Gamify your learning for free with the <u>Law Dojo</u> app! Studying doesn't have to be a slog. Play multiple choice games to study and review for classes. From doctrinal classes to studying for the bar, Law Dojo is a one stop shop for your study needs.



Exam Advice from a 3L

DON'T OVERLOAD YOURSELF! FIND A GOOD SYSTEM OF TAKING BREAKS, AND BALANCE YOUR STUDY TIME WITH A SYSTEM THAT BUILDS BREAK-TIME IN TO YOUR REGULAR ROUTINE. YOU'LL ALREADY BE PUTTING A LOT OF PRESSURE ON YOURSELF AS A 1L—IT'S IMPORTANT TO REMIND YOURSELF THAT YOU DESERVE TIME TO DESTRESS AND GATHER YOURSELF, SO YOU DON'T BURN OUT!



Moakley Law Library: Now Hiring for Summer 2023!

Law Circulation Student Workers Needed! \$17.25/hr

Requirements:

- Reliable
- Detail-oriented
- Strong customer-service skills
- Can work with a diverse community of patrons
- Be in good academic standing



Suffolk Counseling Center

Feeling anxious or depressed? You are not alone!

Reach out to the Dean of Students Office at 617-573-8157, LawDeanofStudents@suffolk.edu or contact the <u>Suffolk Counseling</u> <u>Center</u> at 617-573-8226.





General Interest

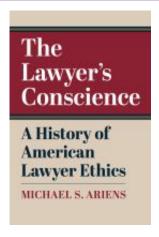


Imperfect victims : criminalized survivors and the promise of abolition feminism / Leigh Goodmark

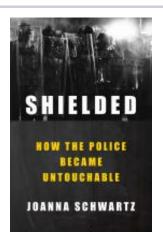
"There are women who suffer at the hands of domestic abusers, rapists, and traffickers until they snap and fight back, which often leads to their own arrest and conviction. That is especially true of abuse survivors who are women of color. trans, or gender nonconforming people, all deserving of civil rights and strong legal defenses like everyone else. Goodmark's (law, Univ. of Maryland; Decriminalizi ng Domestic Violence) latest book argues that the way to protect criminalized survivors is to dismantle the carceral system and consider problems and solutions from a social justice lens. This book tells the stories of women who survived domestic violence but did not receive fair treatment under the law. Readers will not have heard most of these stories on the news, but these women's voices are undeniably important

and add depth to any discussion of the rights of those who have experienced domestic violence."

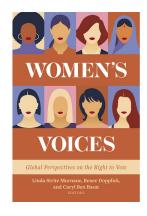
— Jennifer Moore, *Library Journal*



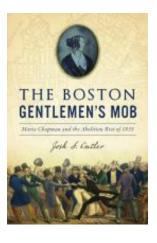
The lawyer's conscience: a history of American lawyer ethics / Michael S. Ariens



<u>Shielded</u>: how the police became untouchable / Joanna Schwartz



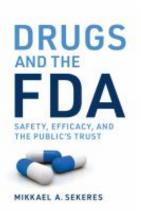
Women's voices: global perspectives on the right to vote / Linda Strite Murnane, Renee Dopplick, and Caryl Ben Basat, editors



The Boston gentlemen's mob : Maria Chapman and the Abolition Riot of 1835 / Josh S. Cutler

Drugs and the FDA: safety,

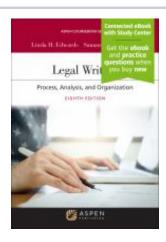
efficacy, and the public's trust / Mikkael A. Sekeres



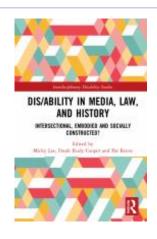
Academic and Professional



<u>Legal innovation & technology :</u> <u>a practical skills guide for the</u> <u>modern lawyer / Dyane O'Leary</u>



Legal writing: process, analysis, and organization / Linda H.
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Professor of Law, Emerita
William S. Boyd School of Law,
University of Nevada, Las
Vegas; Samantha A. Moppett,
Professor of Legal Writing

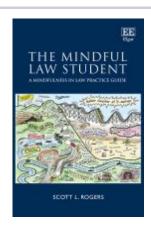


Dis/ability in law, media and history: intersectional, embodied and socially constructed? / edited by Micky Lee, Frank Rudy Cooper and Pat Reeve



Political science internships: toward best practices / edited by Renée Van Vechten, Bobbi Gentry, John C. Berg Associate Director, Legal
Practice Skills Suffolk University
Law School

Legal ethics and social media: a practitioner's handbook / Jan L. Jacobowitz and John G. Browning



The Mindful Law Student: A Mindfulness in Law Practice Guide / Scott L. Rogers

Find our new materials here!

Secret Code: Answer

A Lawsuit.

Library Hours

Library Hours

Mondays - Fridays: 8:00am - 11:00pm Saturdays - Sundays: 9:00am - 11:00pm

*Room 295 will be available from 11:00pm - 2:00am as a study space during finals.

Research Desk Hours

Mondays - Thursdays: 10:00am - 6:00pm

Fridays: 10:00am - 5:00pm Email: <u>lawref@suffolk.edu</u>

Legal research librarians are available by appointment outside of these times.

Library hours are subject to change. <u>Stay up-to-date by checking our website</u>.

Check out our previous newsletter editions here