Moakley Law Library Newsletter April 2022



Spring is in the air and we couldn't be more excited! The turn of the season has us all looking forward to our future plans and upcoming exams. We here at the Moakley Law Library have compiled a list of resources and fun upcoming events to make your Spring a bit more predictable, Boston weather aside! Come check out our distinguished **succulents village** and read some **words of wisdom from our esteemed faculty** as you prep for finals. Stop by for some **free coffee**, **tea**, & **treats** at our upcoming coffee break for current law students! As the semester approaches its end, we invite you to take the time to join us for some self-care and study before finals season.

Library Hours

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

Need a Study Room?

With finals around the corner, remember to make a study room reservation and to use the QR code to check in & out! For more details, visit the Moakley Law Library study room reservation page.

During the Exam Period classroom 235 will be available from 11pm until 3am for law student use starting April 30 through May 13.

Research Desk Hours

Email: lawref@suffolk.edu

Mondays - Thursdays: 10am - 6pm

Fridays: 10am - 5pm

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

Library hours are subject to change. Check our website here.

APPLY FOR A CIRCULATION STUDENT WORKER POSITION HERE!



The John J. Moakley Law Library is accepting applications for motivated, detail-oriented student library workers for Summer 2022 and Fall 2022.



LibGuides to Know About

Check out our Study Aids and Exam Prep Guide here!

Here you'll find law school exam resources, audio lectures and podcasts, and more about how to ace exams generally. We've also put together individual subject guides that include info about reviews, outlines, checklists, and practice exam questions in these subjects:



- Property
- Criminal Law
- Civil Procedure
- Contracts
- Evidence
- Torts
- Taxation
- Criminal Procedure
- Constitutional Law, and
- Professional Responsibility

If your professor recommends a particular study aid, consult that one before any others. That said, try out different study aids and see what suits your method of studying best; what may work for others may not work for you. Be flexible.

Check out our Treatises Guide here.

A legal treatise is a comprehensive publication on a single topic written by an expert in the field. This research guide allows you to learn about and access treatises, both in print and online. Each tab contains treatises and secondary sources broken down by category: Introductory, In-Depth, Massachusetts, and Drafting. You'll find treatises on these subjects:



- Administrative Law
- Civil Practice & Procedure
- Constitutional Law
- Contracts
- Evidence
- Criminal Law & Procedure
- Property
- Taxation
- Torts
- Immigration Law
- Professional Responsibility & Development

Treatises can be extremely useful secondary sources because they collect detailed information on a particular legal topic and they can lead to useful primary authorities.

Words of wisdom from our faculty!

"Be kind to yourself, but be firm in your resolve to succeed. You belong here and though it may not seem like it, there are also others carrying their struggles, imposter syndromes, and fears too. But don't practice until you get it right. Practice until you can't get it wrong. That is mastery with MCs, essays, as well as IRACs for each element and subelement. Keep rule statements tight, accurate and clear, both on paper and in your mind. Of course, a statement without a because is not an analysis, but a conclusion. Do not short-circuit the process of your own learning, for it is the very process itself that brings the needed learning. Headings and organization of ideas are a student's good friend. Practice for competence, and the confidence will eventually come. But why wait? Remain confident that when you set your intention with your focused, consistent, disciplined attention and feedback-informed practice, that you will prevail with perseverance, humility and faith to guide you. Congratulations in advance!"

Maurice R. Dyson,
Professor of Law

West Academic Study Aids: Learn how to access content offline

How to get offline access

- 1. Sign in to <u>subscription.westacademic.com.</u> Remember to create your own <u>West Academic account</u> to access offline content and to save your highlights and notes.
- 2. Search for the book you would like to read offline and select it from the search results page.
- 3. On the book detail page, click 'Browse Book' and select a chapter from the Table of Contents to open the book to that chapter.
- 4. Scroll to the top of the page and click the 'Open in RedShelf eReader' button to open the book in the online reader. The book is now available for offline reading in the RedShelf app.
- 5. Download the <u>RedShelf app</u>, available free in the Apple App store or <u>Google Play store</u>.
- 6. In order to gain login credentials for the app, you will need to create a password for the RedShelf app. Simply select 'Forgot Password', enter the email address associated with your West Academic Study Aids Collection account, and click the 'Request Reset' button. You will receive an email with a password reset and should follow the instructions for creating a new password to sign in.
- 7. Books you have viewed within the online reader will appear in the RedShelf app the next time you sign in. Your notes and highlights will sync between the app and the online reader.

Funtivities!

Succulents Village: Name the

bench!

The law library has acquired a new batch of succulents and now they need names! **Complete the poll** to get a chance to name them while creating your ideal Supreme Court bench of past justices. Choose up to nine names and submit your pick!





Rules:

- Only current Suffolk Law students may participate in the poll.
- Only one (1) entry per current Suffolk Law student.
- Choose up to nine (9) justices.
- The nine (9) justices with the most votes will be selected as the succulents' names.
- The names will be published in the Law Library's Summer Newsletter. Stay tuned!

Boston area coffee map!

Coffee aromas that can wake you up! Your friends at the Moakley Law Library have pinned their favorite coffee shop locations around Boston. Heart your favorite or add your own!



Speaking of coffee, join us for our upcoming coffee break!



When:

Wednesday, April 27

9:30 am to 3:00 pm & 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Thursday, April 28

9:30 am to 3:00 pm & 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Friday, April 29

4:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Monday, May 2

11:00 am to 2:00 pm

Where:

Moakley Law Library, 6th floor

(past the main doors)





Words of wisdom from our faculty!

My advice at the close of 1L is to take time to reflect, as Mary Oliver put it, on "your one wild and precious life." This year has been fast, furious, and whether you realize it or not, deeply formative. As it ends, reexamine your values and goals, both personal and professional, and return to or adjust them consciously. It's so easy to adopt a ready-made script or plan, especially when you're under pressure. But it's your life. Be awake to it.

Harmony Decosimo,

Assistant Professor of Legal Writing

Write-On: Bluebook Review

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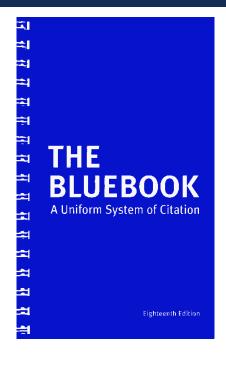
AnnaKatherine Wherren, Legal Research and Innovation Librarian, will be holding two 45-minute Zoom sessions on using Bluebook for the write-on. We'll be doing some exercises together, but also bring any questions you have! If you can't make it, both sessions will be recorded, with links shared on the writing competition Blackboard page. Come to one of the following sessions:

Click these links to join either Zoom session. **No registration necessary!**

Monday, May 16th at 12:00pm

OR

Wednesday, May 18th at 5:00pm



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Take a Break!

As the semester winds down and final exams approach, you might think that necessarily means spending hours in the library or chained to your desk studying. That approach is actually less productive than working in shorter bursts—say fifty minutes or so—then taking a 5-10-minute break to stretch, walk, get a drink of water, check your email or text a friend.

Research shows that we perform best when we do that. It may sound counterintuitive, but breaks are essential to your productivity, mental focus, physical health, creativity, and to avoid burnout. When faced with a final paper, exam, or other big project, don't just think about when and how you will study. Give yourself these much-needed breaks, too!

Shailini Jandial George, Professor of Legal Writing



Digital Collections @ Suffolk



Check out Suffolk's Digital Repository!

<u>Digital Collections @ Suffolk</u> is an open access site for the works created by the SU Community, as well as a publishing platform for journals, conference proceedings, books, campus newsletters, and magazines. The <u>Law School Alumni Magazine</u> is featured as one early addition, as well as the <u>Suffolk Journal of Trial and Appellate Advocacy</u>. The repository also hosts the academic work of members of our scholarly community, such as <u>Dean Patrick Shin</u>.

General Interest

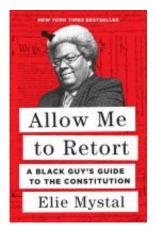


Beyond imagination?: the
January 6 insurrection / Mark C.
Alexander, Michèle Alexandre,
Erwin S. Chemerinsky, Danielle
M. Conway, Anthony W. Crowell,
Garry W. Jenkins, Kevin R.
Johnson, Jennifer L. Mnookin,
Kimberly Mutcherson, Andrew
M. Perlman, Carla D. Pratt,
Theodore W. Ruger, Daniel P.
Tokaji, Robert K. Vischer

"The risks here are enormous.

Lawyers play a critical role in supporting and lending legitimacy to bedrock political institutions, such as the judiciary and the electoral system. When lawyers lie or offer misleading information about those institutions, they create an existential threat to democracy itself."

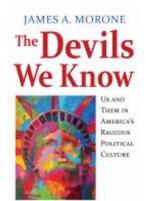
— Andrew Perlman, "The Legal Ethics of Lying About American Democracy" in Beyond Imagination?: the January 6 Insurrection



Allow me to retort : a black guy's guide to the Constitution / Elie Mystal



Cheap speech: how disinformation poisons our politics -- and how to cure it / Richard L. Hasen

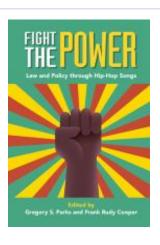


"How good it is to have this collection of bracing essays by one of the most imaginative scholars of the American experience. Ranging across a wide range of ideas, personalities, events, policies, and ethical challenges, *The Devils We Know* offers the gift of clarifying crucial conundrums and contradictions in American political

The devils we know: us and them in America's raucous political culture: essays / by James A. Morone

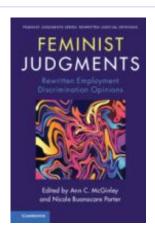
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— Ira Katznelson, author of Fear Itself: The New Deal and the Origins of Our Time

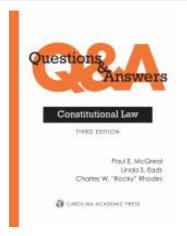


Fight the power: law and policy through hip hop songs / edited by Gregory S. Parks, Frank Rudy Cooper

Academic and Professional



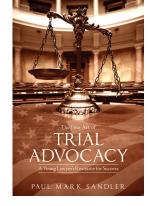
Feminist judgments: rewritten employment discrimination opinions / edited by Ann C. McGinley, Nicole Buonocore Porter



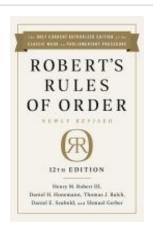
Questions & answers:
constitutional law: multiple
choice and short answer
questions and answers / Paul E.
McGreal, Dean and Professor of
Law, Creighton University
School of Law; Linda S. Eads,
Former Associate Provost and
Associate Professor of Law,
Southern Methodist University,
Dedman School of Law; Charles
W. "Rocky" Rhodes, Vinson &
Elkins LLP Research Professor
and Professor of Law, South
Texas College of Law Houston

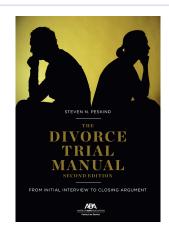
"Paul Sandler's latest book, The Fine Art of Trial Advocacy, is one of his best. Into it he has poured all of his own extensive experience and enthusiasm ... to inspire and teach young lawyers how to be effective trial lawyers ... [and] the absolute certainty that successful trial advocacy can be learned by anyone wise enough to pick up and read books like this one."

— Paul W. Grimm, U.S. District Court Judge for the District of Maryland, in his foreword to the book.



The fine art of trial advocacy: a young lawyer's resource for success / Paul Mark Sandler





Robert's rules of order newly revised / General Henry M. Robert, U.S. Army

The divorce trial manual: from initial interview to closing argument / Steven N. Peskind

Take a look at all of our new materials here.

The Moakley Law Library Newsletter is a year old!

<u>Check out our previous editions here</u>.

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