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## What's New in the Library?

- We will have more limited hours during the Spring Break period. Please note that we will be closed completely on Sunday, March 5, and Saturday, March 11.

	<b>Circulation/Reserve Desk</b>	<b>ID Card Access</b>
Saturday, March 4	9 am – 5 pm (normal)	9 am – midnight (normal)
Sunday, March 5	CLOSED	NO ACCESS
Monday, March 6	9 am – 4 pm	8 am – 9 pm
Tuesday, March 7	9 am – 4 pm	8 am – 9 pm
Wednesday, March 8	9 am – 4 pm	8 am – 9 pm
Thursday, March 9	9 am – 4 pm	8 am – 9 pm
Friday, March 10	9 am – 4 pm	8 am – 9 pm
Saturday, March 11	CLOSED	NO ACCESS
Sunday, March 12	noon – 8 pm (normal)	noon – midnight (normal)

- If you're gearing up to take the bar exam over the summer (or if you're practicing due diligence and thinking about the exam a little early), be sure to check out our Bar Examination Resources page on our web site (on our new web site, it's at <http://asl.edu/bar-exam-resources/> ). We post information about the rules you'll need to know to apply in the various states, and whether the bar examiners post prior questions (and answers!). We've also noted which states participate in the very popular Uniform Bar Examination, which allows a pretty easy transfer of scores between certain states, unlike in the old days.
- As we updated the bar information page, we found several stories about bar associations banning the new MacBook Pro TouchBar for February's bar examinations. Apparently, the TouchBar screen may offer some predictive text under some circumstances which could impact "exam integrity." ExamSoft has a special page on how to disable this feature so that you might be able to use your new computer if the state allows you to (note: a few states, like Tennessee and West Virginia, are completely banning the computer, so you would have to bring a different laptop for those states). That page is at <http://support.examsoft.com/h/i/323482095-disabling-the-touch-bar-on-macbook-pro>

This only impacts MacBooks with a Touch Bar, which first hit stores in November 2016. If you have one of these computers, check with our Registrar before taking exams in April and May. We suspect that this will all be resolved by the exam software engineers before the summer bar exam season begins.

## Other News

- Don't forget to "spring ahead" when Daylight Saving Time begins on Sunday, March 12, at 2 am. According to the mellifluous language at 15 U.S.C. § 260a: "During the period commencing at 2 o'clock antemeridian on the second Sunday of March of each year .... the standard time of each zone .... shall be advanced one hour."
- For over a year now, we've been writing about a potential Supreme Court nomination. President Trump recently named Neil Gorsuch as his nominee to replace Justice Antonin Scalia on the High Court. If you're interested in reading more about Judge Gorsuch, who currently sits on the 10th Circuit Court of Appeals, there are several places that have been compiling information about him and his body of legal work.

\* The Law Library of Congress has a number of article and book citations, plus links to current news articles from the Internet at

**<https://www.loc.gov/law/find/gorsuch.php>**

\* The William A. Wise Law Library at the University of Colorado Law School (which points out Gorsuch has taught there for the last decade as a visiting professor) also has lists of the judge's writings plus a link to his earlier confirmation hearings at

**<http://lawlibrary.colorado.edu/SubjectsPlus/subjects/guide.php?subject=Judge%20Neil%20M.%20Gorsuch%20Guide>**

\* HeinOnline, an incredible resource for historical materials, wrote up a summary of all the materials that can be found on the service – which will work for you on campus – at **<https://help.heinonline.org/2017/02/u-s-supreme-court-nominee-neil-gorsuch/>**

- For those students who are thinking of hanging out their own shingle and starting their own solo practice, members of the San Francisco bar have created a "toolkit" filled with ideas about office management, marketing, and practical tools like sample documents. There are a few California-specific items, but most of the site provides general articles and links about many topics related to running your own business, and there are a handful of webinars and podcasts as well. Check it out at **<http://toolkit.sfbar.org/>**
- While Uber and Lyft haven't quite made it to Grundy, the idea of the "gig" economy – offering short-term, usually freelance work rather than long-term jobs – has begun to spread across the US. Recently, a staffing agency head talked about two high-tech fields that might provide lawyers with opportunities for these types of jobs: e-discovery and cybersecurity. Listen to the fifteen-minute interview at **<http://www.reinventingprofessionals.com/the-emerging-legal-tech-gig-economy/>**

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