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What's New in the Library?

- Don't forget to help us with our biennial student survey! We'll be putting the questions in your mailbox around the middle of the month. Return the surveys at the Library Circulation/Reserve Desk before you head out on Spring Break (we'll accept them through March 2). Thanks for your input!
- Now that the semester's schedule is becoming more routine, you might want to plan in some extra time for CALI tutorials. In case you've forgotten, CALI (the Center for Computer-Assisted Legal Instruction) offers over one thousand different tutorials on all sorts of different legal topics. Head on over to <https://www.cali.org/> and click on the "Lessons" menu option to see all of the legal subjects. You should have registered for an account during your Orientation session, but if you didn't, you can create a new account with our authorization code of **[not available online]** (which is case-sensitive).

A fairly new "feature" from CALI is their "Lawdibles" podcast (apparently attempting to connect the words "law" and "audible"). Last semester, one professor offered short recordings on topics in contracts, payment systems, and secured transactions. You can find these at <https://www.cali.org/content/lawdibles> ; notice they also have a way to subscribe via iTunes or a standard RSS reader.

- Have a Lexis or Westlaw question? We have a number of student reps who may be able to help you create a better search, or even find a resource you didn't know about. Send any of them an e-mail (@my.asl.edu) and they will work with you to set up a time and place to meet.

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- Are you already looking ahead to Spring Break (March 5-9)? We'll have more limited hours during that week. We'll post our schedule around mid-month, and post it on our web page.

Other News

- If you are missing gloves or scarves or other winter gear, be sure to check at the Circulation Desk. We keep a small "lost and found" box of accumulated materials that tends to fill up during January and February. (We also often find left-behind textbooks and coffee mugs that are looking for their owner!)
- Every once in a while, we get a reference question that can be answered by heading off to the Microfiche Room. If you've ever wondered what we keep in there, wonder no longer! We have several collections hiding in those cabinets, including the English Reports, which is a publication that contains many cases heard in England since the twelfth century! Maybe you want to read the origin of the insanity defense in M'Naghten's case, [1843] 8 ER 718, or the old contracts damages case of *Hadley v. Baxendale*, [1854] 156 ER 145? They're all in there! We also have Congressional hearings and miscellaneous Congressional documents published since the 1970s. As a bonus, printing from the microfiche printer is free. If you have questions about researching in microfiche, swing by Chris' office and ask for help.
- There were a few stories about photos that made the legal news lately.

One dealt with a new feature from Google in their Arts & Culture app: it allowed you to take any photo and see if any famous artwork – pictures or statues – resembled the people in the photo. But two states have laws regulating the use of biometrics, which is the science of unique body characteristics often based on specific measurements and calculations. Because of those laws, Google appears to be blocking Illinois and Texas residents from using that feature on the app. You can read more of the original write-up at <http://www.chicagotribune.com/business/ct-biz-google-art-selfies-20180116-story.html>

Another dealt with a model who had posed for a picture for an online article. But the photographer then sold that photo to a stock photo agency without the model's permission. Eventually, the model's picture appeared in an advertisement by New York's Division of Human Rights, with the text "I am positive" over a caption about the state's human rights law protecting people with HIV. The model sued for defamation, arguing that this falls under the state's "loathsome disease" category. The New York Supreme Court Appellate Division (which, incidentally, is an intermediate court of appeals) sided with the model, but encouraged the state legislature to come up with better terminology since the disease should not have to be "objectively shameful" to fall under the category. The case was *Nolan v. New York*, 2018 NY Slip Op 00269, which can be found with the story at <https://www.courthousenews.com/model-in-hiv-positive-ad-can-sue-for-defamation/>

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