

ASL LIBRARY NEWS

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What's New in the Library?

- We've received our brand-new 2004 CALI CD-ROMs! CALI is the Center for Computer-Aided Legal Instruction, which distributes hundreds of mini-tutorials on dozens of legal topics. This year's new lessons include punctuation basics, a half-dozen partnership topics, and Article 9 updates, among others. All first year students received a copy of the CALI CD-ROM in their Legal Process class; 2Ls and 3Ls can download lessons from <http://www.cali.org> or borrow the CD from the Circulation Desk for three days.

- Westlaw and Lexis have new student reps!

WESTLAW			LEXIS
Eric Burnette, 2L	Norma Jean Flinchum, 2L		Isadora Cipolletta, 2L
7:30 – 8:30 am; 3:00 – 5:00 pm	2:30 – 4:30 pm	Mondays	<i>no hours</i>
8:00 – 9:30 am; 4:00 – 6:00 pm	1:30 – 3:30 pm	Tuesdays	1:30 – 5:30 pm
7:30 – 8:30 am	1:00 – 3:00 pm	Wednesdays	1:00 – 5:00 pm
7:30 – 8:30 am	2:30 – 4:30 pm	Thursdays	2:30 – 4:30 pm
8:00 – 9:30 am	1:00 – 3:00 pm	Fridays	<i>no hours</i>
<i>all hours may be subject to change; watch for signs in the Library!</i>			

- The Library will be continuing the popular "Get REAL!" [Research and Electronic-Assisted Learning] programs this semester. Classes will begin in late September, and will cover such topics as finding law review articles, cases, and statutes; Shepardizing; and other legal research skills. Watch the Library bulletin boards for signs and the Library's web site (<http://www.asl.edu/library/>) for a complete schedule of these half-hour refreshers.
- We've bought new markers for the white boards in the study rooms. Markers and erasers can be borrowed from the Circulation Desk for up to eight hours. Please remember to return these items or else fines will begin to accrue.
- To our first year students: We are trying to quickly reshelve the books you need for Legal Process class. Please give us a little time to get the books back where they belong, or ask at the Circulation Desk if you think a needed book has suddenly disappeared. They might even be found on a reshelving cart (usually, those can be found near the Circulation Desk, and upstairs on the "overlook" part of the stairs).

Other News

- **Labor Day Hours:** We'll be staffed our regular Saturday (1 pm – 6 pm) and Sunday (1 pm to 9 pm) hours on Labor Day weekend, but we'll only have someone at the Circulation Desk from 1 pm - 5 pm on Monday, September 1. Students with a valid ID will continue to have 6 am to midnight access on Sunday and Monday, but will not be able to retrieve materials on Course Reserve for most of the day -- so please plan ahead!
- Usually we write about the Supreme Court's upcoming cases in October, when the High Court begins a new term. This year, however, an important case requires the Supremes to convene a month earlier, on Monday, September 8. At issue is the 2002 Bipartisan Campaign Reform Act (also known as the McCain-Feingold bill; Pub. L. No. 107-155). The Court will allow four hours of arguments, much longer than the usually-allotted one hour; in 1976, the Court gave lawyers four hours to argue a prior campaign finance bill which became Buckley v. Valeo, 424 U.S. 1. The Supreme Court rarely interrupts its summer vacation to hear oral arguments, but agreed that a decision needed to be made before the 2004 election cycle. Follow this case on the Court's own web site at <http://www.supremecourtus.gov> or in print with U.S. Law Week (on Reserve).
- If you've been frustrated by telemarketers trying to call you late at night while you're trying to study, you will be excited to hear about the establishment of the federal do-not-call list. Over the summer, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) set up a nationwide database of phone numbers that telemarketers will be prohibited from calling (the law can be found at Pub. L. No. 108-10; the implementing regulations are at 68 F.R. 44143 (July 25, 2003)). Over thirty million phone numbers have been registered at <http://www.donotcall.gov> or 1-888-382-1222. Consumers who register a phone number will see a decrease in the amount of telemarketing calls within three months of registration.
 - Please note that this is a free service. There are several web sites that claim to stop telemarketing calls, unsolicited faxes, and unwanted e-mail – for a price. The FTC has filed complaints against such allegedly deceptive sites. For information about avoiding "do not call" scams, check out the FTC's web site at <http://www.ftc.gov/bcp/conline/pubs/alerts/dncregalrt.pdf> (you will need Adobe Acrobat Reader).
 - It's probably no surprise that the telemarketing industry has filed lawsuits asking to stay enforcement of the do-not-call list. These cases are currently pending. See American Teleservices Association v. FCC (10th Cir. *appeal filed* July 28, 2003) and Mainstream Marketing Services v. FTC, No. 03-N-184 (D.Colo. 2003).