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What's New in the Library?

- During the first few weeks of October, we'll be having our traditional 1L electronic research training in the Library Seminar Room. New Westlaw representative Jennifer Horkey will be offering classes on Monday, September 30, and Tuesday, October 1. New Lexis representative Colby Khoshreza will be offering classes on Monday, October 7, and Tuesday, October 8. There are plans to have additional classes for 2Ls and 3Ls, so be sure to check at the Circulation/Reserve Desk to find out topics and times.
- By now, we hope you've opened the "Time Trial" pack of cards and learned a little about constitutional law. But have you signed up for the online CALI lessons? CALI is the Center for Computer-Assisted Legal Instruction, and they have created almost 1000 different tutorials for all areas of law. We've handed out a DVD to everyone in August, but CALI will be online-only starting next year. Be sure to create an account now while you're thinking of it, and then you can run the lessons from anywhere (they run well on tablets as well as computers and laptops) for the next few years. You'll need ASL's authorization code, which is **[not in online version!]** (and it is case-sensitive) when you go to <http://www.cali.org/> As a bonus, you'll even find an online version of the "Time Trial" game that you can play anywhere!
- We're still on the lookout for dedicated work-study students to help us out in the Library. If you qualify for work-study funds, check with Becky about openings.

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MON	1 pm – 2:30 pm	<i>no scheduled hours</i>	10:30 am – 12:30 pm	9:30 am – 10:30 am	<i>no scheduled hours</i>
TUE	<i>no scheduled hours</i>	11 am – 1 pm	<i>no scheduled hours</i>	3 pm – 5 pm	11 am – 1 pm
WED	<i>no scheduled hours</i>	11 am – 1 pm	<i>no scheduled hours</i>	<i>no scheduled hours</i>	2 pm – 3 pm
THU	1 pm – 2:30 pm	<i>no scheduled hours</i>	11 am – 12 noon	8:30 am – 10:30 am	<i>no scheduled hours</i>
FRI	<i>no scheduled hours</i>	11 am – 1 pm	<i>no scheduled hours</i>	<i>no scheduled hours</i>	11 am – 1 pm

Other News

- The first Monday in October is like a holiday for U.S. Supreme Court watchers – that's when a new term begins after a short summer vacation. We're expecting several hot-button issues like voting rights and affirmative action to make headlines over the next year. Here are a few of the more interesting questions that the Supremes will hear this term, which begins October 7:
 - Is a biennial limit on contributions to non-candidate committees (ie, PACs) unconstitutional (*McCutcheon v. Federal Election Commission*, 12-536)
 - How far does the President's express "recess appointment" power actually go, especially when the Senate attempts to prevent the appointment through pro forma sessions (*National Labor Relations Board v. Canning*, 12-1281)
 - Does a legislative prayer violate the Establishment Clause (*Town of Greece v. Galloway*, 12-696)
 - Can an employer contractually agree to give up several rights if a union also agrees to give up its right to strike, which is seemingly against the Labor Management Relations Act (*Unite Here Local 355 v. Mulhall*, 12-99)

Obviously there are many additional cases pending. To find out more, check out the *U.S. Law Week* (in print at the Circulation/Reserve Desk and online in the "BNA Core" database). There's also the Supreme Court's own web site at <http://www.supremecourt.gov/>

- While we're discussing the High Court, the Supremes updated their court rules this summer, which they do from time to time. Most are date and time changes for filings, but one important change may be to Rule 29.3, requiring electronic filing to all parties along with the paper documents. Hidden away, though, is new Rule 28.8, which allows oral argument to be done only by members of the Supreme Court Bar – which means that non-lawyers are no longer allowed to argue (with rare exceptions). Admittedly, the last non-lawyer to argue a case was in 1978. Check out the new rules at the Supreme Court's web site (listed above).
- It's never too early to start thinking about life after law school. Two recent law school graduates recently spoke with the *ABA Journal* about starting a criminal-defense law firm right after the bar exam. You can either listen to the podcast or read the transcript to pick up some hints at http://www.abajournal.com/news/article/podcast_monthly_episode_42/ The *ABA Journal* usually offers a podcast about various legal topics once a month, which is great for those of you who commute to school. Of course, the magazine has many in-depth articles about current legal issues; our most recent issues are filed in the compact (moveable) shelving – ask for help at the Circulation Desk if you'd like to find them.

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