“We’re Off!”, From the Director’s Desk

“We’re off to see the Wizard, the wonderful Wizard of Oz!
If ever there was a Wiz that was it’s the wonderful Wizard of Oz.”

To the incoming class of 2014, it is time to visit the Wizard. And this wizard is like none you have known before. The wizard is law school… complete with its new and confusing vernacular.

For now that you have graced the halls of TMSL and been inducted with the rules and regulations, classes have begun. Oh Wow, or as some would say, Are we there yet? Yes, you are here, in your first days of law school at Thurgood Marshall School of Law. Value each day. For your days and time are now controlled by the wizard.

Know that your time will become very precious to you because now you will undergo the test of “How much is enough.”
“Did I write enough on my last paper? Did I lay out the law the way it is supported in the textbook? Did I argue either on one side of the law or the other?”
So many did I’s to do….But don’t worry…it is law school. Some say there are no right answers….
Do your best. Study hard. And before you know it first year will be over.
We will be here to answer your questions, lead you in the right direction, or simply give you a place to lay your head and rest. For that’s what the law library is here for…. And we are glad to be here for new and upcoming law students.
Be here and partake in all the law library has to offer. You are Welcome!

Good luck,
Professor Spearman

Laws of The Library

Beverages are permitted in a pre-approved, non-spill container. Patrons with drinks in unapproved containers will be asked to discard or remove such items.

FOOD will be permitted in the form of individual snack size containers of dry foods like chips, cookies, candy, granola bars, and other relatively non-messy, individually packed snack foods. Please discard all food containers in the trash cans near the study rooms, basement elevator and at the main library exit. All library staff members are authorized to enforce this policy.

Food is considered acceptable as long as it meets the following conditions:
- If you can buy it in a vending machine;
- It’s not a liquid, frozen or wet;
- It’s not meant to be eaten with a fork or spoon.
- Foods from vending machines are generally acceptable in the library;

Drinks and food are NOT allowed in the computer lab and photocopy area.

Let’s work together to ensure our library is a place where we all can work/study comfortably.

The library will be issuing spill proof mugs to students for use inside the library.

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Reach Out and Facebook, By Shante’ Clark Davis

Stay current on the TMSL Law Library news, events, and schedules by following us on Facebook. We welcome your comments or questions on researching, resources, or library inquiries. If you are at home and you need an informational question answered reach out and Facebook us and look for a response. This is our Facebook link: TMSL Law Library on Facebook. Do not miss out on anything by visiting the Law Library on Facebook.

Law Library’s Reference Hours

If you are looking for specialized help to your problems then you will be seeking the help of the law library’s reference desk. The reference desk has different hours from the law library which are listed.

The Circulation Desk is responsible for checking in and out books, registering patrons, and issuing Tex-

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Patrina Epperson, New Circulation Librarian

Over the summer the Law Library filled its Circulation Librarian position with Ms. Patrina Epperson. Ms. Epperson previously served as the Loose-Leaf Service Supervisor.

Ms. Epperson received her undergraduate degree from University of Houston—Main and her Master of Library Information Science from the University of North Texas. She began her employment at the Law Library as the Loose-Leaf Service Clerk, received a promotion to supervisor and now the Circulation Librarian.

In her spare time Ms. Epperson is an avid reader. She also has a passion for dance which she serves as a praise dancer for her church Windsor Village.

We congratulate and welcome Ms. Epperson as the new Circulation Librarian. Ms. Epperson would like to make all patrons aware of the Circulation Desk/ Library’s Hours of Operation which are as follows:

**Monday – Thursday**
(7:00 a.m. – 12:00 Midnight)

**Friday**
(7:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.)

**Saturday**
(9:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.)

**Sunday**
(12:00 noon – 12:00 Midnight)

We hope everyone has a great school year and we look forward to assisting you in your law school experience.

Digitize on Demand, by Shante’ Clark-Davis, Electronic Reference Librarian

The Thurgood Marshall School of Law Library has a Knowledge Imaging Center (KIC). What is a KIC? A KIC is a digitize on demand system which allows library patrons to scan documents, pictures, and books face-up. Once items are scanned, patrons conveniently insert their USB flash drive to save scanned items.

Our KIC has several copying, modifying, and imaging enhancing features available manipulate and increase the visual quality of electronic copies. Patrons are welcome to independently browse the KIC Touch Screen Guide or ask any available library staff for guidance in using the KIC. The KIC is located adjacent to the Texas Room across from the copy machines. You will get a “KIC” out of your experience.
Thurgood Marshall School of Law Library

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