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Thurgood Marshall School of Law Library

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Fall 2022 Law Library Hours



The Thurgood Marshall School of Law Library staff is excited to welcome new and returning law students! We provide a space to study, resources to aid your research, and professional staff to answer your questions. For the fall 2022 semester, the law library will be open:

- Monday-Friday: 7:30 a.m. to 10 p.m.
- Saturday: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
- Sunday: 12 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Receive help from the reference librarians during the following hours:

- Monday-Friday: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Saturday: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Sunday: 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.

The reference librarians are also available remotely:

- Email: lawlibraryhelp@tmslaw.tsu.edu
- Telephone: (713) 313-1108
- Zoom meetings available upon request; call: (713) 313-7125
- Chat via Microsoft Teams: <u>Law Library Reference Assistance</u>

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The Director's Welcome

The law library staff extends a special welcome to the class of 2025 and all new faculty members. We also want to welcome back our returning students and faculty. We are looking forward to an exciting 2022-2023

academic year.

Are you ready for the enriched vocabulary you are about to encounter? Within the next four months, you will be bombarded with new words. Bluebook! Casebook! Formbooks! Nutshell! Shepardize! Torts! Vernon's!

Like all new law students, you will be inundated with information. Remember to



breathe. It will all come with time! The librarians and the entire library staff are here to help you define some of these unfamiliar

terms, answer your questions, and provide legal research help throughout your law school career.

Please stop by the reference and circulation desks to say hello to the law library staff. While you are there, pick up some of the library's helpful publications, including the 2022-2023 Electronic Databases Guide and Library Guide.

This newsletter will provide some answers and insights to enrich your law school experience. Updates are posted to the law library's webpage and via TWEN emails. Make



Check out Our New Study Aids

The law library provides the most popular study aids to help you succeed in all your courses! Our up-to-date study aid collection includes:

- Acing Series Presents information in a checklist format to help students evaluate legal issues.
- Black Letter Outlines Helps law students learn the basic principles and issues on various law subjects in an outline format.
- **Emanuel Crunchtime** Provides exam tips, summaries, and flow charts geared towards exam preparation.
- **Emanuel Outlines** Summarizes the key concepts in major course offerings and provides exam tips, flow charts, and short answer/multiple choice questions.
- **Exam Pro** Includes problems/questions and model answers relating to the area of law being discussed.

• Examples & Explanations - Provides explanations and analysis

for a topic and then gives examples to help students fully understand the analysis.

- Glannon Guides Includes explanation, interspersed with hypotheticals to illustrate application, and explanations of both correct and incorrect answers.
- Q & A Contains capsule summary outlines for each section with a clear and concise explanation of legal concepts and terms.
- Short & Happy Guides Provides clear explanations, logical sequencing of the material, colorful acronyms, metaphor, and imagery.



Study Aids are kept in the Reserve collection behind the Circulation Desk. Ask a staff member how these study aids can help you succeed in your course.

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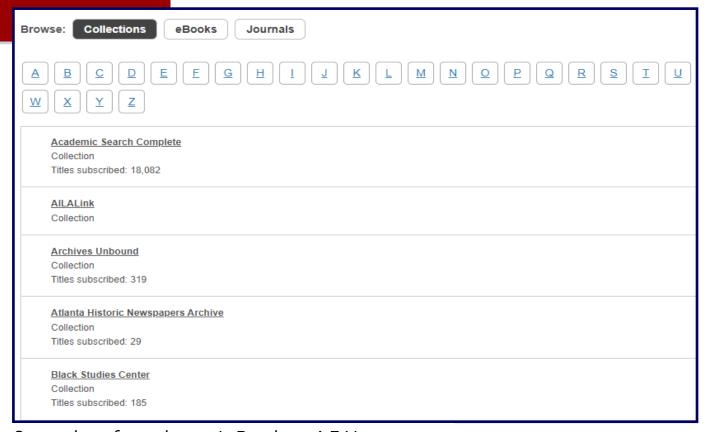
How to Access Electronic Resources

The law library offers a robust collection of electronic databases and resources to meet all your academic needs. Students, using their law school account login credentials, can access our electronic resources in two locations: the Database A-Z List and the Electronic Resources webpages. You can access both webpages from the <u>library's homepage</u>:



DATABASE A-Z LIST

The <u>Database A-Z List</u> is a complete list of our electronic resources. Just select the database and when prompted login using your Texas Southern University login credentials.



How to Access Electronic Resources

ELECTRONIC RESOURCES

Our <u>Electronic Resources</u> webpage consists of links to our most popular databases and electronic resources. Use this page if you want to quickly find a specific database.

Law Library - Electronic Resources (A to Z List)

Accounting, Tax and Banking Collection: A subset of the ProQuest Business Premium Collection, this database contains essential publications for information about the financial services industry, including accounting, tax, banking, and industry trends. || Remote Access

AlLALink: This is a resource from the American Immigration Lawyers Association designed for legal professionals who needs to access reliable and up to date immigration law information and guidance. || Remote Access

Bloomberg Law: Online access to multiple databases, including primary materials and several corporate/business-related resources. Access is limited to current students and faculty. You will have to register at https://profile.bna.com/bloomberglaw-activate/ to use the site. SKIP the Activation Code blank at the top of the page, fill in the rest of the blanks (USING YOUR TSU EMAIL), agree to the terms, and prove you are not a robot. Bloomberg will send an email to your TSU email account. Follow the directions from there. Note: Bloomberg Law is case sensitive; put the part of your email address after the @ sign in lower case.

CALI: Provides more than 100 interactive lessons and tutorials to help students learn the law. (Accessible via Internet/First-time users must register via the CALI web site. Contact the Circulation Desk to acquire an access code.)

Current Index to Legal Periodicals (CILP): CLIP is a weekly table of contents for new law review and journal issues and a subject index to the articles in these journals.

|| Remote Access.

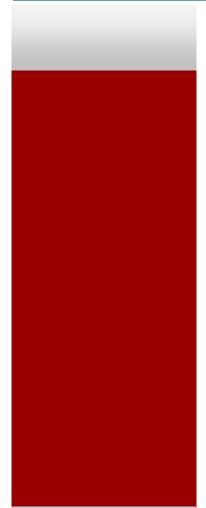
Court Listener: Court Listener is a free case research database. It offers the text of many state and federal cases and occasionally some interesting analytic components. It also provides AUDIO FILES of oral arguments of many cases, which may be of interest to students, evidence faculty, and others.

Screenshot of our electronic resources webpage.

If you are accessing a database from anywhere outside the law school, click the Remote Access link. There are a few exceptions to this rule:

- Bloomberg. Create an account using your Texas Southern University (TSU) email address.
- **Westlaw**. Our Westlaw representative will issue an account for your TSU email address. If you experience any issues, please contact the systems librarian, Daniel Samford.
- Lexis. Our Lexis representative will issue an account for your TSU email address. If you experience any issues, please contact the systems librarian, Daniel Samford.

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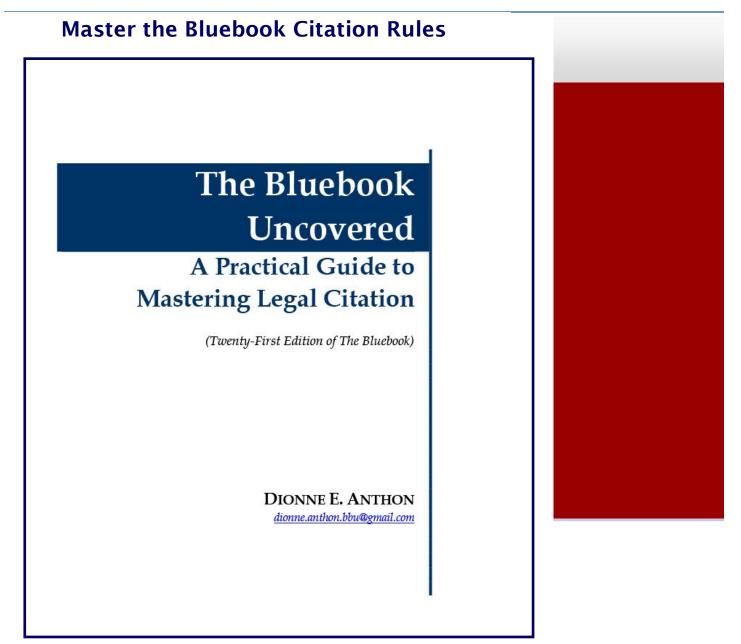
Don't Lose Track of All Our Databases



Westlaw Edge and Lexis Advance are essential for legal research. But we have a host of other databases from which to use. These resources include:

- Bloomberg Law. Bloomberg Law is a premiere database of sources for all things business law, like Intellectual Property, Mergers & Acquisitions, Bankruptcy, etc. Plus, Bloomberg Law provides a searchable US Code and Code of Federal Regulations. Stay on top of business law trends and breaking news by viewing the Bloomberg News hub!
- <u>Ebscohost</u>. Our Ebscohost subscription includes the essential Legal Collection, which hosts 30 active, full-text journals, 300 full-text law reviews, and 16 journals with searchable cited references. The Legal Information Reference Center provides legal reference books and thousands of legal forms.
- <u>Gale</u>. Our Gale subscription includes the LegalForms database which has state-specific (and multi-state) legal forms and resources across the most popular legal areas. The LegalTrac database includes 1,200 major law reviews, legal newspapers, specialty publications, Bar Association journals, and international legal journals.
- <u>HeinOnline</u>. HeinOnline is the biggest repository of law journals, which publish articles relevant to current trends and topics. The HeinOnline databases are organized into categories, like Case Law, U.S. State Content, and International Resources.
- <u>VitalLaw</u>. VitalLaw, Wolters Kluwer's flagship legal research tool, provides access to professional treatises on a variety of law topics. These practice-area-specific resources include interpretation and analysis written by attorneys and curated by the Wolters Kluwer analytics teams.

Want to know our full range of resources? Check out our <u>Electronic Resources</u> webpage!

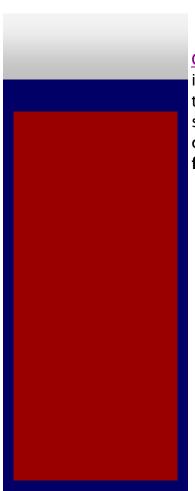


The Bluebook Uncovered's cover page.

The citation rules used in the legal field are highly specialized and require close attention to detail. Applying Bluebook rules in legal writing is challenging for students and practitioners alike. It is important to learn the Bluebook rules in your first-year studies, laying a solid foundation for your future. This free resource is designed to help first-year law students master the fundamental Bluebook citation rules. The book organizes the dense citation rules in an easily accessible manner and provides exercises to ensure your mastery of the rules.

Access the up-to-date book as a PDF online for free at the following link: https://bit.ly/3z5xV2q

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Support Your Learning with CALI

<u>CALI</u> is a useful free resource to help law school students succeed in their classes. It houses free online lessons and eBooks relevant to typical law school classes. To use this resource, law school students will need to register for an account with TMSL's unique code. Students can visit the library's circulation desk and ask for the CALI code.



Browse the selection of free eBooks.



CALI Lessons are our most popular and widely used learning tool. They are computer-based, interactive tutorials that cover narrow topics of law. Browse our library of over 1,000 CALI Lessons below.

Students, staff, professors, and employees of all CALI member schools and organizations get unlimited, free access to CALI Lessons through our website.

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About the Law Library

It is the mission of the Law Library to promote excellence in academic achievement and the dissemination of legal information to the TMSL students, faculty, staff, and the community. The Law Library seeks to bolster the professional and scholarly undertakings of its faculty, and students as well as support the research and reference needs of its communities. This support encourages research and programs that promote learning, scholarship, and familiarity with new and innovative research products and techniques.

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