

Farewell & Salute to Graduates from the Director

Graduating class of 2011

It's that time again; time to say farewell to the Graduating Class of 2011!

As you grace the halls of TMSL for your last few days, we wish you well in your future endeavors.

Your years at this law school as a student are successfully coming to an end.

Hold fast, for life is now about to begin!

Go far, be strong, and know that endurance comes from within.

For the Law Library student workers graduating in this Class of 2011, I would take this opportunity to tell each of you congratulations!

You have made it and with a bittersweet smile the Law Library extends its love and best wishes.

DeCarlous Y. Spearman

Law Library Director and Assistant Professor



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Summer Access To Westlaw & Lexis

CONTINUING STUDENTS

Full Summer Access for Educational Purposes:

- Summer School
- School-Related Research Assignment
- Moot Court Research
- Law Review/Journal Research
- Professor's Research Assistant

- Unpaid Internship/Externship
- Bar Review
- Non-Profit Externship (**Lexis only**)

You **cannot** use your Law School LEXIS AND WESTLAW access for summer employment.
MAY GRADUATES

LEXISNEXIS: Eligible for summer access up until August 1, 2011.

WESTLAW: Full access for two hours per month during June and July; Access to Career Services for 12 MONTHS after graduation.



New Library Summer Hours

The Law Library implemented new hours for summer operation. Last year the law library studied the use of the library over the summer and decided to change its hours. The new hours will affect reference as well as circulation hours.

The new schedule for the law library will be as follows:

General Library Hours:

Mon. - Thurs. (7:00 am - 10:00 p.m.)

Friday - (7:00 am - 8:00 p.m.)

Saturday (9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.)

Sunday (12:00 noon - 8:00 p.m.)

Summer Reference Hours:

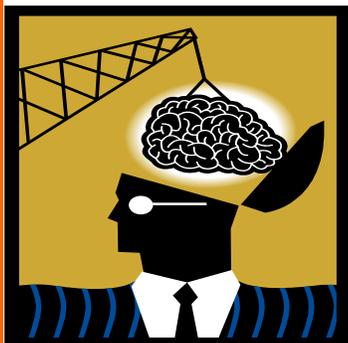
Mon. - Thurs. (8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.)

Friday - (8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.)

Sat. & Sun. (no reference)

The law library will not have reference hours on weekends this summer. Only the circulation desk will be open. Reference help will only be given during the week to those in need.

If you have any questions feel free to contact the law library at (713) 313-7125.



For Everyday you take off, it takes that many days to regain the muscle retention you lost.

Keeping Your Brain Trained...

As the law school semester concludes and the summer vacation period arrives many law students want to forget the grind of law school and enjoy their summer. While your brain does need a break from the rigors of reading and briefing one still needs to find a happy medium in order to preserve the strength you acquired during the school year. Just as any other muscle your brain must be trained and the

moment you allow it to take too much of a break you lose everything you gained. In the sport of tennis it is said for everyday you take off of the court it takes that many days just to get back the muscle retention you lost. This summer as you take your break, if you are in the Houston area, utilize our law library and check out books on subjects that interest you. Read law review articles and catch up on trending topics in the legal world or even read in ad-

vance for some of the classes you have enrolled in next semester. Give your brain a break but exercise it to keep it alert and in working order so that when you return in the fall it will not take you a whole month to get back into the groove of law school rigors. For our summer hours check our back page. We look forward to seeing you guys this summer exercising your brains.

Poetry Contest Winner: Kimberley Evans

WHITES ONLY.

The sign hangs as a reminder downtown in a Dallas courthouse.

A reminder of how far we have come?

Or a reminder of where we came from?

Whites Only.

You can't eat here.

Negroes must go 'round to the rear.

Don't drink from this fountain dark child.

This water was made special (though it came from the same ground).

We fought to end discrimination through legislation

and bring desegregation with a victorious *Brown v. Board of Education*.

You can learn; you can even vote.

But you still can't buy a house in this neighborhood, Negro.

You still can't work and earn decent pay.

Go to school! Go the polls!

You're still black at the end of the day.

Whites Only.

The natural heroes most of us should know,

like Malcolm X and Harriet Tubman with the Underground Railroad,

but what about Mum Bett who sued to get free?

She couldn't read or write but she knew something was amiss about slavery.

And when you're driving in your cars and you're able to see,

Thank A.L. Lewis for keeping your windows clean.

Give a shout out to Garrett Morgan for putting up that traffic light,

and Alice Parker for keeping your toes warm at night.

How about Benjamin Banneker, Augustus Jackson and D. McCree?

Don't forget Frederick Jones for the AC.

H.A. Jackson, John Burr, Sarah Boone, Lydia Newman and W.H. Sammons for the hotcomb.

T. Elkins, Madam Walker, Henry Sampson gave us the cell phone.

And these few mentioned are just our inventors.

I haven't even touched on political figures, musicians and other mentors.

Whites Only.

MLK, Dred Scott, Frederick Douglass, John Brown,

those four little girls in Birmingham.

Charlotte E. Ray – the first female lawyer, a graduate of Howard University.

Eleanor Holmes – the first female chair of the EEOC.

Esteemed Counselors Johnnie Cochran, Edward T. Lewis, Eric Holder.

Yes, dark child, you can be just like them when you are older.

Thoroughgood to Thurgood. Thoroughgood Marshall....

Another strengthening in our foundation so as a people so we don't falter.

Mahalia Jackson, Nina Simone, Dinah Washington, B.B. King,

Prince, Andre 3000, Tupac, Notorious B.I.G.,



Even now, so many years after the beginning of our fight, we still battle as a people to be equal to Whites when we should be more focused on our own individuality. Strengthen yourself then strengthen your people. No Whites Only to blame; Only Me.

Poetry Winner (cont.)

Berry Gordy, Quincy Jones, Ice Cube, Dr. Dre,
Luther Vandross, Whitney Houston, Stevie Wonder and Donnie
Hathaway.

I could go on and on, but it's truly never-ending.

So many heroes, so little time,
and we are still just beginning.

So many have sacrificed and fought and struggled so that I may be-
come who I am.

Whites Only.

But my daddy is a White man.

Do I stand in the doorway and acknowledge only that half
while the black children point at me and stare and laugh?

You have white eyes and black hair, mulatto child.

"You don't belong in the front."

"But they sent me from 'round back."

"Well, you know if you got one drop then you Black."

Whites Only.

President Barack Obama, though of mixed race, a black man,
said it best on his platform when he said "Yes we can!"

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-Kimberley Evans



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Important Dates

- May 2, 2011 - Finals & Extended Hours Begin
- May 12, 2011 - Extended Hours End
- May 13, 2011 - Finals End/ Hooding
- May 16, 2011 - Summer Hours & Turbo Begins
- May 27, 2011 - Last Class Day - Turbo
- May 30, 2011 - Memorial Day (Closed)

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