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Bringing in the Summer

It's that time of year every aspiring JD candidate looks forward: Hooding, commencement, and graduation! Congratulations to the class of 2022 on their well-deserved accomplishment.



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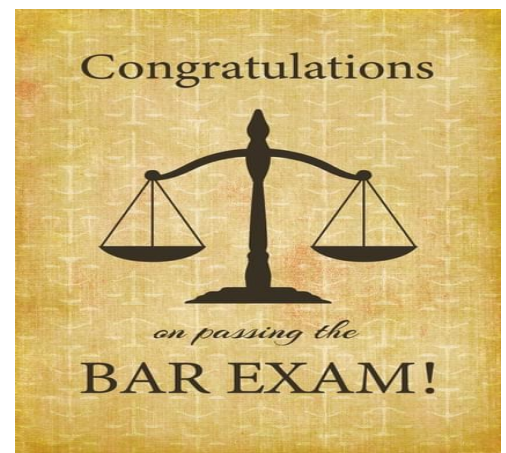
Summer Hours

Starting May 31, the library's summer hours will be:

Monday – Thursday (8 AM – 8 PM)
Friday (8 AM – 5 PM)
Saturday (9 AM – 5 PM)
Sunday (12 PM – 8 PM)

Congratulations on Passing the February 2022 & Great Luck on the July 2022 Bar Examination

The Thurgood Marshall School of Law Library Staff extends its sincere congratulations and best wishes to every student who passed the February 2022 Bar exam and to those taking the July 2022 Bar exam. As new attorneys and alumni of the Law School, you will continue to have access to the Law Library's resources for a limited amount of time. Ask a librarian about which resources might be helpful to you.



The Library Welcomes Summer Research Assistants

The law library staff extends a warm welcome to our newest cohort of research assistants.

Throughout the summer, research assistants gain hands-on legal researching experience as they explore various legal topics on behalf of the faculty research librarian, Professor Tara Long.

Research assistants will be instructed on best research practices, work closely with multiple faculty members, and receive constructive feedback on their work.

Through this significant experience, the research assistants will leave the program being more proficient legal researchers and writers, preparing them for success in future classwork, interviews, and jobs.

New Database: VitalLaw



VitalLaw™
(formerly known as Cheetah)

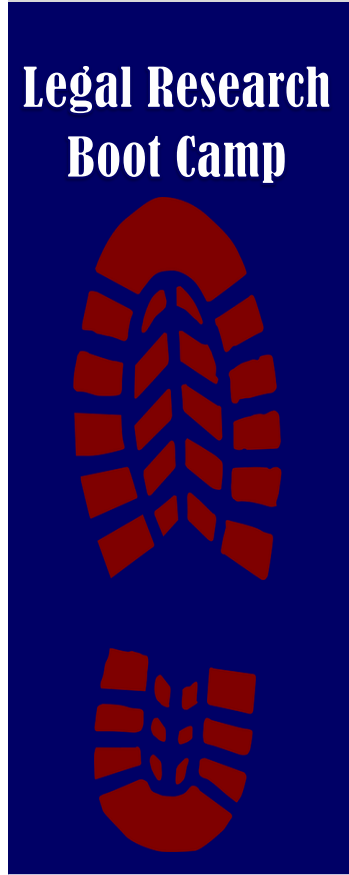
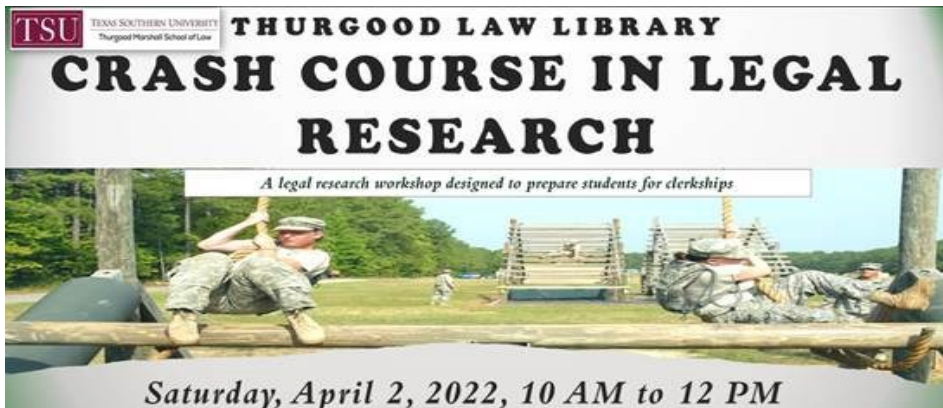
The law library has procured a new database for students and faculty of the law school to use. VitalLaw, Wolters Kluwer's flagship legal research tool, provides access to professional treatises on a variety of law topics. Practice areas include:

- Antitrust and Competition
- Consumer Finance
- Bankruptcy
- Elder and Estates Law
- Energy and Environment
- Government Contracts
- Healthcare
- Human Resources
- Intellectual Property
- Labor and Employment
- Life Science
- Litigation
- Property and Construction
- Securities
- Transportation
- And more!

These practice-area-specific resources include interpretation and analysis written by attorneys and curated by the Wolters Kluwer analytics teams. Users can access the database anywhere and anytime via the library's [Electronic Resources](#) web page or the [Database A-Z List](#).

Legal Research Crash Course

April 2, 2022, the Thurgood Marshall School of Law Library hosted its 16th annual legal research crash course, a workshop designed to refresh our students legal research skills in preparation for a summer clerkship. A scenario regarding the validation of a will and search strategies to begin research on that legal issue was discussed. The course was presented by all of the law librarians in webinar format via Zoom. Special thanks to Lexis Nexis and Westlaw for training the students. You can find the recording of this event on the Law Library’s [Events-Instructional Programs](#) page.



Summer Access to WestLaw and Lexis Nexis

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Graduating students may extend access through the Grad Elite program

Registered students will get 60 hours, per month, for 6 months post-graduation through November 30th, 2022.

Please look for additional information about the Grad Elite program (at the drop-down menu under your account name (top right corner) after you log in to Westlaw law school home page. www.lawschool.tr.com

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Summer Access for Rising 2Ls & 3Ls

Continuing students automatically get FULL access all year-round
Please be reminded that the academic use restriction applies to summer access:

- Summer coursework
- Research assistant assignments
- Law Review or Journal research
- Moot Court research
- Non-Profit work
- Clinical work
- Internship/Externship

www.lawschool.tr.com



Students have unrestricted access to Lexis+ all summer for work or school. May graduates get six months of extended Lexis access (expires 12/31/22). Summer and extended access is automatically applied to your accounts; just login as usual.

Reference and Research Assistance Throughout the Summer



We encourage students with summer internships or classes to utilize your law library as a resource! When you begin a research assignment, we are here to help you maximize your time, find relevant documents, and wow your supervisors. Reference librarians are available at the Reference Desk or on call to assist students with their research/information needs.

REFERENCE HOURS

MONDAY- THURSDAY

8 AM - 5 PM

VIRTUAL REFERENCE

Email:
lawlibraryhelp@tmslaw.tsu.edu;

Telephone: (713) 313-1108;

Zoom request by setting up an appointment; call (713) 313-7125

Chat in Microsoft Teams:
[Law Library Reference Assistance](#)



Finals and Holiday Hours



Extended Hours for Finals Spring 2022

**Extended Hours will occur in Law School Commons*

Saturday, April 30, 20229 AM - 11 PM

Sunday, May 1, 202212 PM - 11 PM

Monday-Friday, May 2-6, 2022
7:30 AM - 11 PM

Saturday, May 7, 20229 AM - 11 PM

Sunday, May 8, 202212 PM - 11 PM

Monday-Thursday, May 9-12, 2022
7:30 AM - 11 PM

Holiday Hours, May 2022

Spring 2022 Semester Break

Friday, May 13 (8 AM - 5 PM)

Saturday-Sunday, May 14-15 (CLOSED)

Summer Interim Hours 2022

Monday-Friday, May 16-20 (8 AM - 5 PM)

Saturday-Sunday, May 21-22 (CLOSED)

Monday-Friday, May 23-27 (8 AM - 5 PM)

Saturday-Sunday, May 28-29 (CLOSED)

Memorial Day

Monday, May 30 (CLOSED)

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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