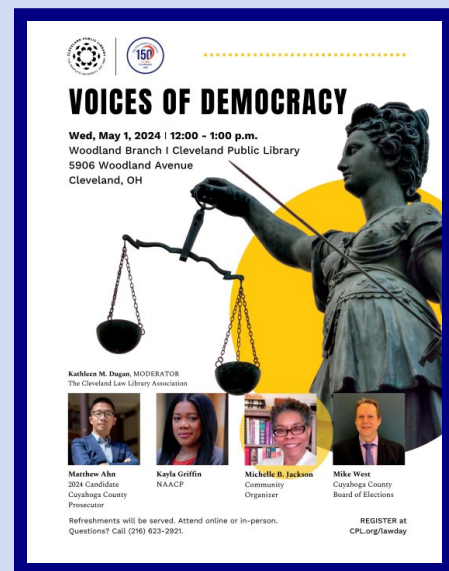


THE CLEVELAND LAW LIBRARY NEWSLETTER



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VOICES OF DEMOCRACY

Panel Discussion

Free Law Day Program, May 1, 2024

To commemorate *Law Day* this year, the Cleveland Law Library has partnered with the Cleveland Public Library to provide a free, educational program about voting rights in Ohio on Wednesday, May 1st.

Law Day is a yearly event sponsored by the American Bar Association, and this year's theme is "*Voices of Democracy*." This theme "encourages Americans to participate in the 2024 elections by deepening their understanding of the electoral process; discussing issues in honest and civil ways; turning out to vote; and, finally, helping to move the country forward after free and fair elections." https://www.americanbar.org/groups/public_education/law-day/

In view of the fact that this is a Presidential Election year, we thought it would be important to offer a local program about issues related to the voting rights of individuals and offer practical answers to common voter questions such as voter registration, changing voter ID laws, election disinformation, voter poll purging, ballot security, and other issues that are important to the greater Cleveland community.

The event is scheduled in-person from 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m. at Cleveland Public Library's newly renovated Woodland Branch located at 5906 Woodland Ave, Cleveland, OH 44104. A flyer with additional information about the panelists can be found at this link: <https://clevelandlawlibrary.org/public/misc/LawDay/2024/flyer.pdf>

There is also an online option for audience members who cannot attend in person. To attend in person or online, please register at the following link: <https://cpl.libcal.com/event/12340132>

We hope that you join us and will make this program part of your *Law Day 2024* activities.

FREE CLE

MEMBERS ONLY EVENT:

Free *LexisNexis Digital Library CLE* (online only)*

May 14, 2024 from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

If you are not already aware, the Cleveland Law Library purchases a large collection of eBooks from *LexisNexis* that are available 24x7 to our members through our *LexisNexis Digital Library*. Key titles include the annotated *Ohio Revised Code*, *Ohio Jury Instructions*, *Couse's Ohio Form Book*, all of the *Anderson's Ohio Treatises*, and much more. A full list of the Law Library's current eBook holdings from *Lexis* is located on the following page:



https://clevelandlawlibrary.org/public/misc/ebook_lexis.html

Effective on May 1st, we are also adding these new eBook titles to our collection:

- *Anderson's Ohio Criminal Forms*
- *Anderson's Ohio Manual of Criminal Complaints and Indictments*
- *Sixth Circuit Criminal Handbook*
- *Weissenberger's Federal Evidence Courtroom Manual*
- *AI: Law and Litigation*
- *Data Privacy and Cybersecurity Compliance for Corporations and their Counsel*
- *Data Privacy and Cybersecurity Law: A compliance Guide for U.S. Federal, State and Local Governments*
- *Civil Rights & Strategy Series -- Section 1983 Litigation*

All of the Law Library's eBook titles support unlimited online access for members and come with a print companion.

To ensure that our members take full advantage of our *LexisNexis* eBooks, we are offering a free *LexisNexis Digital Library CLE* program on May 14, 2024 from 10:00-11:00 a.m. online. This program will cover the features and benefits of the eBook platform, including:

- Anytime access to the Law Library's eBook collection
- Read in your web browser or via the web APP
- Advanced search capabilities
- Book-like reading experience with convenient annotations and highlights
- Use of the TOC to open to a specific section with just one click

[**Click Here To Join**](#)

(Link Launches Registration)

**(Only members of the Cleveland Law Library are eligible to attend. LexisNexis has sought 1.0 total CLE hour(s) instruction from the Supreme Court of Ohio Commission on Continuing Legal Education.)*

LAW LIBRARY ACQUIRES TRELLIS

The Cleveland Law Library is pleased to announce that it has purchased a plan from *Trellis*, which provides Ohio State court trial dockets and documents, as well as judicial analytics for local county court judges.



The Law Library's plan will enable our staff to search the full text of documents in dockets from 81 Ohio counties and retrieve associated documents from 30 of those counties, including Cuyahoga County. As a result, *Trellis* will make it easier to find samples of pleadings, motions, memoranda, exhibits, and orders from actual court cases that meet our members' research needs. As lawyers often find, there is not a template or official court form for everything.

Our Law Library staff will also be able to generate comprehensive reports on Ohio judges. These reports contain:

- Biographical information
- Grant and denial rates by motion type
- Outcome statistics
- Milestones (i.e., timing analysis for key case milestones)

Our regular document delivery fees of \$7.00 will apply, and our staff are ready to take your requests.

Please take advantage of this new Law Library product.

The advertisement is for the Cuyahoga County Board of Elections. It features the "VOTE" logo with a red outline of the state of Ohio. The text "Now Hiring ATTORNEYS FOR ELECTION DAY" is prominently displayed. Below this, a QR code is provided for scanning to apply. A red arrow points down towards the QR code. To the right of the QR code, text states: "Licensed Attorneys and Judges can earn CLE credits by working as an Election Official in Cuyahoga County!". At the bottom, three red buttons provide contact information: a globe icon for the website "WWW.443VOTE.US", an envelope icon for the email "electionofficials@cuyahogacounty.gov", and a telephone icon for the number "216-443-3277". A circular badge on the right side of the bottom section says "Plus, earn up to \$250 for the day!".

VOTE CUYAHOGA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Now Hiring

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SCAN THE QR CODE TO APPLY TODAY:



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TECH CORNER

Virtual Digital Legal Assistants



A virtual digital legal assistant, powered by advanced artificial intelligence, is revolutionizing the way legal services are delivered. These innovative tools are designed to streamline various legal tasks, making them more efficient and less time-consuming. These Assistants can do research, assist in pre-trial preparations, transcribe recordings, manage your calendar, and perform a host of other tasks that require your attention on a daily basis.

By automating routine tasks, they allow lawyers to focus more on complex legal analysis and client interaction. The virtual assistant is available around the clock, providing support whenever it is needed, unlike human assistants who have fixed working hours. It is also constantly updated with the latest laws and regulations, ensuring that all tasks are completed with up-to-date information. Furthermore, these digital assistants improve over time, learning from interactions to provide more accurate and relevant assistance. They can also handle multiple tasks simultaneously, increasing productivity levels within legal practices. Clients benefit from quicker response times and potentially lower legal fees due to the efficiencies they create. Finally, as cybersecurity is a major concern, these virtual assistants are designed with robust security measures to protect sensitive legal information, making them a secure asset in the legal industry.

LAW LIBRARY NEWS

Welcome New Board Member

The Cleveland Law Library Association is pleased to announce that Sean L. McGrane, Esq. joined the Board this April. Mr. McGrane is a partner at the law firm of Squire Patton Boggs (US) LLP, where he focuses his practice on defending corporations and their officers and directors. Mr. McGrane replaced Rebecca Haverstick of the same firm, who retired from the Board this Spring.

Welcome New Board Officers

The Cleveland Law Library Association is pleased to announce that Benjamin C. Sassé, Esq. of Tucker Ellis LLP has been elected to the position of Vice-President of the Board. He joins continuing President Carla M. Tricarichi, Esq. of Tricarichi & Carnes, and incoming Treasurer, Eric B. Levasseur, Esq. of Hahn Loeser & Parks LLP.



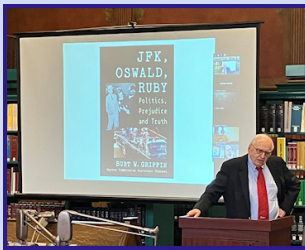
New Law Library Podcast

2024 is a BIG election year! There will be a lot of issues and candidates on the ballots this November, but the race for president takes center stage. In presidential elections, Ohio is known as a bellwether state. Typically, the presidential candidate that wins Ohio wins the national election and then goes on to become the next President of the United States. In fact, from 1900 to 2020, Ohio has accurately chosen the winning presidential candidate 93% of the time. So, all eyes are on Ohio this election season! Are you prepared? To get ready for the 2024 election season, please listen to our latest episode of *Law Library Insights* where we discuss voting rights and elections. Topics include Ohio voter qualifications, voter registration, voter ID laws, and other important election information. [Click Here](#) to listen today!

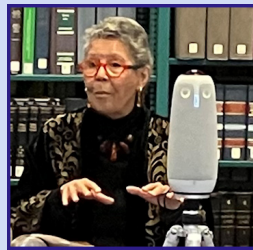


Recent CLE Events

The Law Library was pleased to host two (2) recent free CLE programs this Spring. In March, the Law Library was honored to host retired Judges Burt W. Griffin and C. Ellen Connally and Common Pleas Chief Magistrate Stephen Bucha, III for a program entitled *JFK & Jack Ruby: The Trial of High Profile Cases*.



*Retired Judge
Burt W. Griffin*



*Retired Judge
C. Ellen Connally*



*Chief Magistrate
Stephen Bucha, III*



The Law Library also hosted a great CLE with local attorney, author, and cyclist Kenneth Knabe about *How To Handle A Bike Injury Case In Ohio*.

If you missed these two (2) *CLE Programs*, you can purchase them through our *On-Demand Portal*:

<https://seminarweb.clevelandlawlibrary.org/?pg=semwebCatalog>

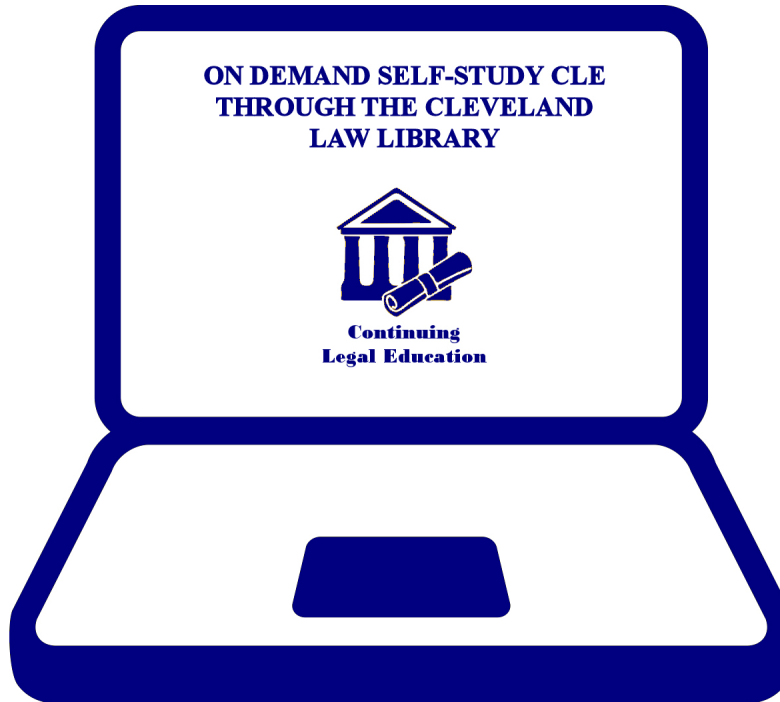
**Members Call for Discount Code.*

Recent Book Discussion

In February, the Law Library held a wonderful online book discussion with retired librarian Angela Baldree, who discussed her first work of historical fiction entitled *Your Brother*. If you missed the event, the full program has been posted to the Law Library's *YouTube* page at the following link:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DrPMXwIDAsQ&ab_channel=ClevelandLawLibrary

ON DEMAND SELF-STUDY CLE THROUGH THE CLEVELAND LAW LIBRARY *



The Law Library offers *On Demand Self-Study CLE Programs* available for you to access any time 24x7. You can watch individual class videos and download course materials. Upon successful completion of a program, you will receive a *Certificate Of Completion*, and the Law Librarian will report your attendance to the Ohio Supreme Court. The list of current classes includes:

- *How To Handle A Bike Injury Case In Ohio*
- *JFK & Jack Ruby: The Trial of High Profile Cases*
- *Appellate Brief Writing And Professionalism*
- *Bookends in the Local Appellate Process*
- *Cuyahoga County Probate Court Updates And Best Practices*
- *Cybersecurity For Law Firms: Protecting Your Clients & Your Firm*
- *Overview of Domestic Asset Protection Trusts (with Emphasis on Ohio Legacy Trusts)*
- *Professional Conduct For Lawyers 2023*

New classes will be added throughout the year. Get started by browsing our catalog at: <https://seminarweb.clevelandlawlibrary.org/?pg=semwebCatalog> and registering to take a class.

**Members - Please call for Discount Code.*

My BarStory Podcast To Honor The CMBA

To honor the *Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association* (CMBA) and its 150 years of service to the local legal community, *Cleveland Law Library Association* (Association) Board members and Law Library staff recorded a podcast for the CMBA's *My BarStory* series. Association President Carla M. Tricarichi, Esq. was joined by Joseph N. Gross, Esq., an Association Board member who was also the past President of both the Association and the CMBA, and Law Librarian Kathleen M. Dugan, Esq., MLS. Together, they highlighted the joint values and leadership that our two organizations share, as well as the many *CMBA* programs that the Law Library supports. It is definitely worth listening to and can be found at this link:



<https://www.clemetrobar.org/?pg=podcasts>

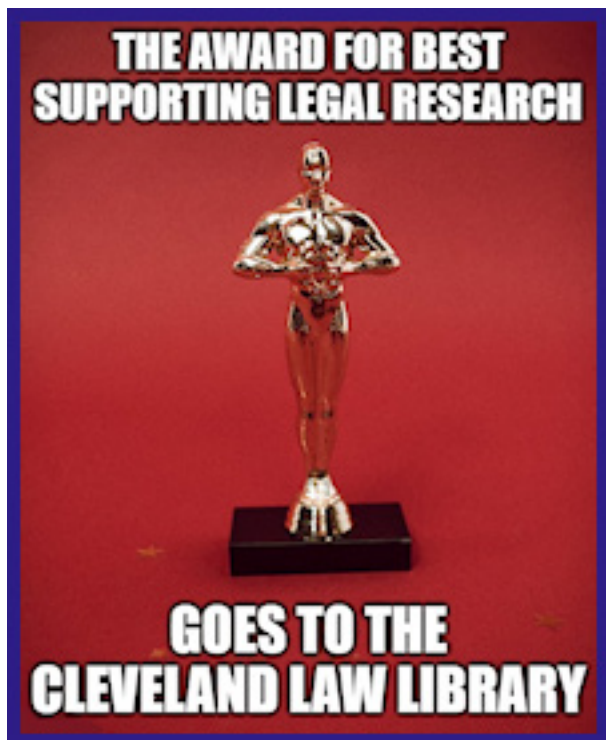
First Naturalization Ceremony

In partnership with the United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio, the Cleveland Law Library was honored to host its first *Naturalization Ceremony* on April 25, 2024. The Honorable Judge Dan Aaron Polster presided over the event, which admitted 20 new individuals to U.S. citizenship. The new citizens came from Albania, Bhutan, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Burma, Canada, Congo, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, India, Israel, Pakistan, Romania, Saudi Arabia, Slovakia, and Syria.



Memes

For those who enjoy *Memes*, here are the latest *Memes* that we post on our social media platforms:



March



April



May

Peeps

The Cleveland Law Library hosted the *Ohio Regional Law Library Association's 6th Annual Peep Show*. We submitted two displays depicting the total solar eclipse and the 2024 Olympics. Take a Peep:



DAYS THE LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED

- Memorial Day, Monday, May 27th
- Juneteenth, Wednesday, June 19th
- Independence Day, Thursday, July 4th
- Labor Day, Monday, September 2nd
- Columbus Day, Monday, October 14th
- Veterans Day, Monday, November 11th
- Thanksgiving, Thursday and Friday, November 28th and 29th
- Christmas, Wednesday, December 25th





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