



# NEWSLETTER

## Spring 2020

### FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

As we all know, the last several weeks have been an unprecedented time in our Country. Like many other libraries of all types throughout Ohio, the Cleveland Law Library has been closed for several weeks, and our staff have been working from home for the very first time. We can all agree that people and businesses need legal assistance in times of crisis, and we hope that you have been able to continue practicing law with our assistance.

As we celebrate [National Library Week](#) beginning today, I have been reflecting on how its current theme of *Find Your Place at the Library* applies to our current situation. Although Covid-19 may have shut down our physical space at the Courthouse, our members have nevertheless experienced a virtual law library in the cloud, with services just an email or phone call away. We have been able to successfully provide our most popular reference and research services by email as we always do, and all members have been able to enjoy customary access to digital resources on the Law Library's [Members Only page](#) and ebooks from the Law Library's [Lexis](#) and [NCLC](#) collections. In addition, for those of you who prefer to perform your own research, [Lexis](#) came through in a big way by allowing us to offer members temporary, remote access to our Patron Access plan. More information on this member benefit is located below. We hope that these options have helped you weather the storm created by the Corona virus, and we genuinely appreciate your understanding and patience as we all live and work in the 'new normal' environment necessitated by social distancing.

For those of you who are longing for business as usual, we currently only have two more weeks of quarantine. In the hope that it will soon be safe to resume operations, we are planning to reopen the Law Library on the 4th floor of the Courthouse on May 4th. However, if the Governor extends the stay-at-home order or places restrictions on reopening, we will of course observe and comply with his orders. Once we get back to a semblance of normalcy, I will also be working with our local partners and authors to try and safely reschedule some of the events that we postponed. In the interim, we have a brand new CLE webinar on [Legal Research Using Internet Archives](#), scheduled for May 14th, and you can take seven of our CLE classes on-demand, any time through the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association's online CLE portal: <https://clemetrobar.ce21.com/Search?search=dugan>

Until we see each other again at the Law Library, continue to stay safe, and take care of the people you love.  
Kathy Dugan

### 150th ANNIVERSARY CLE & COCKTAIL RECEPTION

As you hopefully already know, we have postponed our 150th Anniversary events on April 23rd, including a one-hour CLE program and a Cocktail Reception at the Courthouse Rotunda. Our 150th Anniversary Committee hopes to reschedule all of these events in the Fall, when it is safe for us to celebrate together.



### ANNUAL MEETING

Since the Law Library will be closed through May 1st, we will not be able to hold our Annual membership meeting at 12:00 noon on April 29th in person this year. As a result, we are going to try something new and convert the meeting to an online format using the Law Library's Go-To-Training Service. This service allows you to participate from anywhere either through your computer screen/speakers or simply by phone. It will be entirely your choice at the time of the meeting. If you will be able to join us this year online, please register to attend using this link:

<https://attendee.gototraining.com/r/5815172269834603521>



### LexisNexis REMOTE PATRON ACCESS AVAILABLE TO OUR MEMBERS!

Due to the impact of Covid-19 on regular business operations, LexisNexis has graciously offered temporary remote patron access privileges to members of the Cleveland Law Library. This option will allow you to log in from your home or office to use Lexis databases that the Cleveland Law Library is ordinarily only able to provide for members on-site at the Courthouse. Registration is required, but the



process is pretty simple, and privileges will last for 30 days or until May 31, 2020 (whichever is shorter). Your 30 days of access all depends upon the date when you sign up. Members who wish to take advantage of this new benefit should follow these steps:

- Sign in to the Law Library's Members Only page at this link: <https://clevelandlawlibrary.org/Public/Misc/narrative.html> (If you need your User Name and Password, please email the law library at lawlib@clelaw.lib.oh.us)
- Click "Electronic Resources Library"
- Click "New Version"
- Click the link in red at the top of the page to sign up for Lexis remote access.
- Start enjoying your new member benefit!

### Having Trouble Signing Up?

Please Contact The Law Library at 216-861-5070 or email us at lawlib@clelaw.lib.oh.us

## CLE RESEARCH WEBINARS

Back by popular demand, the Cleveland Law Library will be offering a series of Webinars for CLE credit again this year through our Virtual Classroom. Many of you have attended our live CLE programs at the Law Library, but we also offer CLE classes online for your added convenience. All you need to participate is a computer, laptop, tablet or other device with a microphone and speakers that can access the Internet. Signing up for a class is very simple. Just register online through our [Catalog](#). You will then receive an email confirming your registration and reminders closer to the date of the program. When the time for the program comes, just click on the link in one of the emails you received, and follow a few simple instructions to connect online with us. Our current [Course Catalog](#) includes the following class options:



2020 DATES	TOPIC OF CLASS	TIME
Thurs., May 14	<a href="#">Legal Research Using Internet Archives</a>	3:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Thurs., June 4	<a href="#">Lawyer Tech: VPNs, Personal Hot Spots, Hot Spot Security, and HTTPS</a>	3:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Thurs., July 9	<a href="#">Virtual Reality For Lawyers</a>	3:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Thurs., Aug. 27	<a href="#">JOLTAS: Taking Care Of Client Funds</a>	3:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Thurs., Sept. 24	<a href="#">AI In Legal Research</a>	3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

[Click Here](#) to go to the Webinar Catalog page.

## ON-DEMAND CLE FROM THE CLEVELAND LAW LIBRARY \*

Thanks to a partnership with the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association, the Cleveland Law Library Association is able to offer On Demand CLE courses for self-study credit. Click on the titles below to view more information and to register for classes.

- [APPS For Legal Research](#)
- [Cloud Storage for Lawyers](#)
- [Creating Jury Instructions](#)
- [eBooks For Lawyers](#)
- [Ohio Public Records Requests](#)
- [Ohio Statutory Research Made Easy](#)
- [The Best Legal Blogs for Lawyers](#)



[Click Here](#) to register for a class.

\*Law Library Members: Contact the Law Library for a discount code.



- Jerry Fullmer
- Chris Weatherford

## 2020 BOOK DISCUSSIONS



Save the dates for these upcoming book discussions:

Magistrate Judy Jackson Winston will discuss the sequel to her original book *The Anniversary* - May 29, 2020



William Tabac, Esq. *The Insanity Defense And The Mad Murderess Of Shaker Heights: Examining The Trial Of Mariann Colby* - September 18, 2020


[Click Here](#) to view a list of all past Book Discussions.



## **FREE ESCAPE ROOM FOR MEMBERS**

Calling all adventurous Members. In honor of our 150th Anniversary, we have created an Escape Room based on a true crime and mystery surrounding former Law Librarian Arthur W. Fiske. Reservations are being accepted now throughout 2020. Call or email the Law Library soon to save your spot. The Escape Room takes about 15 minutes and is totally free for Members. A Team of 2 - 4 players works the best. All players receive a small prize at the end of the game, and LexisNexis is providing a grand prize for the fastest time.


THE CLEVELAND LAW LIBRARY



**ESCAPE  
ROOM**

IN HONOR OF OUR 150TH ANNIVERSARY,  
WE HAVE CREATED A CLEVELAND LAW  
LIBRARY ESCAPE ROOM BASED ON A  
MYSTERY SURROUNDING FORMER LAW  
LIBRARIAN ARTHUR FISKE.

RESERVATIONS ARE BEING  
ACCEPTED NOW THROUGHOUT 2020.  
CALL (216) 861-5070 OR  
EMAIL [LAWLIB@CLELAW.LIB.OH.US](mailto:LAWLIB@CLELAW.LIB.OH.US)  
TO SAVE YOUR SPOT.



## LAW LIBRARY NEWS:

The Law Library obtained a grant from the U.S. District Court's Attorney Admissions Fund to purchase a wall-mounted projection screen for the Law Library's new Technology Center.



The Law Library hosted its first meeting of CLEVNET Directors on January 31, 2020.

In March, Cleveland Law Librarians Kathleen M. Dugan and Ashley Sprankle launched the 2nd Annual Peepshow 2020 Contest for the Ohio Regional Association of Law Libraries. The Law Library also submitted the following 2 entries:



**Cleveland Law Library's  
150th Anniversary Party**



**After the 150th  
Anniversary Party**

Over the last few months, the Law Library posted Virtual Displays on its website devoted to:

- The 24th Amendment-Abolition of Poll Taxes
- Susan B. Anthony
- Daylight Saving Time

## LAW LIBRARY MEMES:

For those of you who enjoy comical memes, below are pictures of the Law Library's latest, law-themed memes:



## DAYS THE LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED

The Law Library will be closed the following days in 2020:



- Memorial Day, Monday, May 25th
- Independence Day, Friday, July 3rd (observed)
- Labor Day, Monday, September 7th
- Columbus Day, Monday, October 12th
- Veterans Day, Wednesday, November 11th
- Thanksgiving, Thursday and Friday, November 26th and 27th
- Christmas, Friday, December 25th



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