

THE CLEVELAND LAW LIBRARY NEWSLETTER



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Welcome
New
Members



The Cleveland Law Library has added all *Law360 Authorities* and *Pulse* content to its *Law360* staff subscription. This expanded coverage will enable the Law Library to access authorities containing expert perspectives with in-depth analyses, data, and long-term forecasts in the areas of bankruptcy, employment, healthcare, insurance, real estate, and tax. In addition, *Pulse* content provides articles on the business of law and industry intelligence to help lawyers and law firms grow their businesses. To request an article, please contact the Law Library at 216-861-5070 or lawlib@clelaw.lib.oh.us. All requests will incur a document delivery charge of \$7.00 per document.

Join the Cleveland Law Library in August as we celebrate [National Wellness Month](#). The purpose of this national celebration is to create community and connection in the wellness industry and to encourage consumers to make mindful changes to their daily lifestyle choices. The Cleveland Law Library would like to encourage its members to participate in this national event by challenging themselves to complete different activities and



exercises suggested by the Cleveland Law Library. Stay tuned each week as members will receive an email blast that will focus on a different wellness theme. Each theme will include a new challenge for you to try, healthy recipes, wellness tips and more. In addition, stop by the Cleveland Law Library every Wednesday in August to pick up a healthy snack. Each week, we will provide a different healthy snack for our members and patrons to enjoy. During this time, you can also utilize a wellness station and take home a free book. The new wellness station is meant to provide our members with a space to relieve stress and creatively express themselves. In collaboration with [Cleveland Reads](#), the Cleveland Law Library will be providing a variety of free books.

Please join the Cleveland Law Library as we celebrate *National Wellness Month* by consciously making decisions to improve our mental and physical wellbeing. Be sure to check our [website](#) for updates, and stay tuned for more information!



SAVE THE DATE: ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE

**Wednesday, September 18th from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
In-person and Online**

In Person: Join us in-person for tours of our facility and information about our services and resources. We will also be offering light refreshments.

Online at 10:30 a.m.: If you are not able to attend in person, please join us at 10:30 a.m. via *Zoom* to learn about the Law Library and the services and resources that we offer to our patrons. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information with a link to join.

Register in advance for the Online Meeting at:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZIud-usrD8uG9OofhnsrM2uwVM84WjVt3TI>



MEMBERS ONLY EVENT:

Free CLE: Litigation Research With Westlaw (Online Only*)

Wednesday, September 18th, 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM EDT

Westlaw is seeking 1 hour of General Ohio CLE credit

During this CLE, you will learn how to efficiently locate relevant briefs, pleadings, motions, dockets, jury verdicts, settlements, and expert materials. You will also learn how to compile reports on experts, judges, and opposing counsel. Finally, you will learn how to research procedural issues and determine whether you can rely on a case.

You must attend the entire CLE and submit an affidavit of attendance after the CLE in order to receive credit. Instructions on how to receive credit will be provided during the CLE.

*Members [Click Here](#) to register.

LAW LIBRARY NEWS

Retirement Of Leslie Hall, Business Manager The Cleveland Law Library Association

After 31 years working at the Cleveland Law Library, Leslie Hall retired in the role of Business Manager on June 28th. The Law Library was very sad to see her go, and she left very big shoes to fill. In honor of her retirement, Law Library Board members passed the following Resolution:



The Board members of the Cleveland Law Library Association and the Cuyahoga County Law Library Resources Board formally acknowledge and extend their profound appreciation and gratitude to Leslie Hall upon her retirement. Ms. Hall has served the Law Library with faithfulness and integrity for the past thirty-one years as both a paralegal and business manager, and she is proving difficult to replace. Board members wish her health, happiness, and prosperity as she enters a new chapter in her life.

Eric J. Hess, Network Administrator The Cleveland Law Library, Receives Public Servants Award

The Law Library is pleased to announce that Eric J. Hess, the Law Library's Network Librarian, has been awarded a [Franklin A. Polk Public Servants Merit Award](#). According to the website of the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association:

Each year the Bar Foundation invites city, county, state and federal offices to nominate non-elected employees for their outstanding service to the legal profession, the general public, and our justice system. These merit awards are given for long and faithful service (a minimum of 20 years of service to the organization), demonstrated devotion to duty, wise counsel to the public and attorneys, unflinching patience, and assistance to the public and members of the Bench and Bar of this county.

Eric J. Hess is very deserving of this award for many reasons. In addition to having been employed with Cuyahoga County for over 40 years, Mr. Hess is a self-taught website developer who created the first websites for Cuyahoga County, the Cleveland Municipal Court, the Cuyahoga County Sheriff's Department, and the Law Library. He also created the County's first Local Area Network (LAN) with access to connect agencies with law library resources. In addition, before the Eighth District Court of Appeals started posting opinions on its website, and before the Ohio Supreme Court started posting appellate opinions on its website, Mr. Hess worked with the Eighth District and the Cleveland Public Library to post electronic copies of the Court's opinions on the Law Library's website from 1990-2005. This was a game-changer for access to local appellate court opinions at that time.

Mr. Hess is also a natural graphic designer who has created and branded promotional materials for the Law Library, including: digital newsletters and emails; virtual displays on legal topics; flyers for continuing legal education programs, book discussions, and other events; and even *QR Codes* tied to Law Library resources. It should be no surprise that Mr. Hess has consistently kept abreast of innovations in technology that help make legal research tools and resources accessible to Cuyahoga County lawyers, law firms, judges, officials, and self-represented litigants.

Mr. Hess is being honored at the [Public Servants Award Ceremony](#) at the Bar Association on August 22nd. We hope that you will reach out to Eric with your thanks and congratulations before he retires this October.

Welcome New Paralegal
Daisha Okolo

The Cleveland Law Library is pleased to announce that Daisha Okolo has joined the law library as our newest Paralegal. Daisha was born and raised in Akron, Ohio where she graduated from Copley High School. Daisha continued her education at The University of Mount Union where she graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in American Studies with a concentration in Africana Studies and a minor in Communication Studies. Upon graduating, Daisha worked as the Administrative Secretary for the Department

of Consumer Affairs. Soon after, Daisha would be promoted to Community Relations Specialist at Summit County's Department of Job and Family Services. Daisha worked in this position for four years before being offered a position as the personal Bailiff for Judge David Hamilton at The Akron Municipal Court.

Daisha assisted Judge Hamilton with the coordination of programs such as Raising the Bar, which provides students with the knowledge and skills needed for job opportunities in the legal field. By assisting with the coordination of this program, Daisha was inspired to go back to school and pursue a master's in applied politics at The University of Akron. Since enrolling, Daisha was offered a position as a Legal Assistant at The Okolo Law Firm where she assisted her brother-in-law by conducting legal research, communicating with court personnel, and drafting and filing court documents. It was this work that made Daisha consider a long-term career working as a Paralegal. Daisha started working as a paralegal for the Cleveland Law Library on Tuesday, July 2nd, 2024. Daisha will be assisting patrons, performing reference services, and preparing research aids along with a variety of other duties. During her free time, Daisha likes to read, play golf, and spend time with her family.



Meet Saingerel Gangaa,
Our New Bookkeeper



I'm excited to share my journey with you in this newsletter. My name is Saingerel, but people call me Sana. I come from Mongolia, a beautiful country nestled between China and Russia, known for its rich history and natural beauty. Recently, I have moved to Cleveland, Ohio

Prior to joining here, I resided in York, Maine, where I completed my associate's degree in accounting applied science at York County Community College.

Currently, I'm pursuing my bachelor's degree in accounting at Kent State University.

Living in the United States has been eye-opening. I've learned a lot about American culture, celebrated various holidays, and navigated through the education and work systems. It has been a journey of growth and discovery.

I am thrilled to share that I've joined The Cleveland Law Library as a Bookkeeper. In this role, I will be overseeing accounts receivable and payable, crafting financial statements, and supporting various aspects of the operations. The Court House Building is an impressive place. During a tour with Kathy, I was amazed by the beautiful paintings and courtrooms. It is an honor to work in such a historic and respected institution alongside wonderful colleagues. I am sure there will be more to discover in this role, and I am excited for the journey ahead.

Law Library
Podcast

Artificial Intelligence is the hottest trend in technology, and your life is being impacted by it. AI is everywhere. You might be actively using it or passively consuming it. For example, [Cleveland Scene](#) found that recent articles written by [Cleveland.com](#) contained the following note: "Generative AI was used to produce an initial draft of this story, which was reviewed and edited by Advance Media staff."



Newsrooms, law firms, production companies, and even advertising agencies have adopted artificial intelligence to streamline daily tasks, produce quicker results, and save money. As AI continues to expand its capabilities, more and more people have embraced this technology. Be in the know! Listen to the latest episode of *Law Library Insights* where we discuss AI technologies, how they are being utilized in the legal field, and possible risks. [Click Here](#) to listen today!

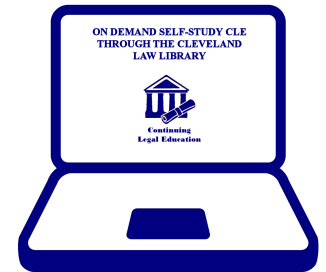
TECH CORNER

Videoconferencing



Videoconferencing has revolutionized the legal industry by enhancing client services through greater accessibility and convenience. It allows attorneys and clients to communicate seamlessly, regardless of geographical barriers, ensuring timely and efficient legal consultations. This technology enables law firms to offer flexible scheduling, reduce travel costs, and expedite case discussions, ultimately improving client satisfaction and engagement. By incorporating videoconferencing, legal professionals can provide a more personalized and responsive service, fostering stronger client relationships and streamlined legal processes.

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*

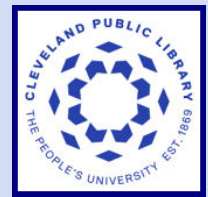
New classes will be added throughout the year. Get started by browsing our catalog at:

<https://seminarweb.clevelandlawlibrary.org/?pg=semwebCatalog> and registering to take a class.

**Members - Please call for Discount Code.*



BOOK DISCUSSION



Please join our libraries for a book discussion with Peter Kirsanow, Esq., a local attorney and author, as he discusses his latest novel, *Zero Option* (G.P. Putnam's Sons, 2024). This book is part of the W.E.B. Griffin Men at War book series and is set in November of 1943 when President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill are scheduled to meet the Soviet premier in Tehran. When the chief of the OSS hears that someone plans to assassinate these 2 leaders, he sends his top agent to try to prevent a catastrophe from happening.

Copies of the book will be available for purchase, and there will be a book signing after the program.

When: Thursday, August 29, 2024 @ 12:00 Noon

Location:

In-person at the Cleveland Law Library, 1 West Lakeside Avenue., Floor 4, Cleveland, Ohio 44113

Online via Zoom (registration is required)

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZlkcucurD8tEtx_mvN6jnBY_tBbFBjLAq6Z

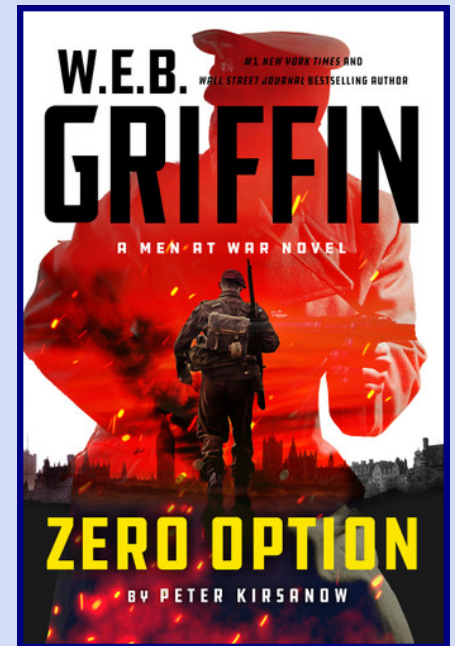
(After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.)

For help obtaining copies of the book from the Cleveland Public Library, contact Steven Capuozzo (216) 623-2860, Subject Dept. Manager, steven.capuozzo@cpl.org

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This Event Is Free And Open To The Public

NEW BOOKS

- *Access to Utility Service* (NCLC, 2024)
- *Black's Law Dictionary* (West/Thomson Reuters, 12th ed., 2024)
- *Cycling Rights*, by Kenneth J. Knabe (Word Association Publishers, 2nd ed., 2023)
- *JFK, Oswald and Ruby: Politics, Prejudice and Truth*, by Burt W. Griffin (McFarland & Company, Inc., 2023)
- *Mortgage Lending* (NCLC, 2024)
- *Ohio Arrest, Search and Seizure* (West/Thomson Reuters, 2024)
- *Ohio Consumer Law Manual* (LexisNexis, 2024)
- *Ohio Consumer Law Manual* (LexisNexis, 2024)
- *Ohio Criminal Law Handbook* (LexisNexis, 2024)
- *Ohio Elder Law Handbook* (LexisNexis, 2024)
- *Ohio Juvenile Law Handbook* (LexisNexis, 2024)
- *Ohio Personal Injury Practice* (West/Thomson Reuters, 2024)
- *Ohio Planning and Zoning Law* (West/Thomson Reuters, 2024)
- *Ohio Annotated Probate Law Handbook* (LexisNexis, 2024)
- *Ohio Traffic Law Handbook* (Blue 360 Media, 2024)
- *Ohio Trial Practice* (West/Thomson Reuters, 2024)
- *A Practical Guide to Ohio Entities-Corporations, Limited Liability Companies and Partnerships* (LexisNexis, 2024-25)
- *Your Brother*, by Angela Baldree (Trillium Publishing 2023)



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MEMES

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



May



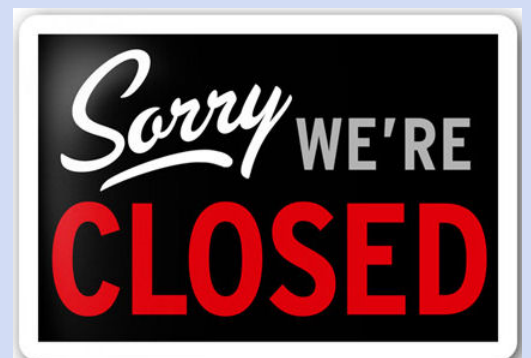
June



July

DAYS THE LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED

- 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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