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# Legal Beagle's Blog

## Massachusetts Bar Association Lawyers' Journal

Posted by Library Blog on 11/05/2008 at 12:00 AM

The Law Library recently began a subscription to the *Massachusetts Bar Association Lawyers' Journal*. Published eleven times a year, the journal provides news about the Massachusetts Bar Association's activities, profiles of its members and items of interest about cases, legislation, and law practice in Massachusetts.

Beginning with the December, 2001 issue, contents from past issues of the [Massachusetts Bar Association Lawyers' Journal](#) are available for free at the website of the [Massachusetts Bar Association](#). The current issue is located along with the [Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly](#) on the newspaper stand in the library. Past issues beginning with the January, 2007 issue are shelved in the Reserve collection.

## The National Jurist: The Magazine for Law Students

Posted by Library Blog on 11/14/2008 at 12:00 AM

In the magazine stand adjacent to the entrance of the bookstore are the October 2008 and November 2008 issues of the *National Jurist*. This magazine provides news items about law schools, law students, lawyers, and law firms. Timely information on "hot" practice areas, employment trends, and salaries are provided. Issues of the *National Jurist* frequently contain the results of various surveys conducted of law schools and students. Check out the [National Jurist](#) website for information on careers, money management, study aids, and the bar exam.

National Jurist used a scoring system based on a 100-point scale to assign values to law schools in three equally weighted categories - student involvement, curriculum and financial factors. Among the sixty law schools listed, the Roger Williams University School of Law is ranked twenty-fifth! Check out the [Dean's blog](#) for details about this noteworthy accomplishment as published in *PreLaw* magazine, the the sister publication of the *National Jurist*.

## Law Library Resources for Career Exploration!

Posted by Library Blog on 11/19/2008 at 12:00 AM

In addition to the services offered by the Office of Career Services for career exploration such as the Annual Legal Career Options Day, the Law Library also has resources for information on career options within the legal profession and alternatives to traditional law firm practice. These books and others on job searching are shelved in The Law Library's Career Collection located next to Training Lab 2. All books in the Law Library's Career Collection and these books can be checked out of the Law Library for twenty-one days. Here are some recommended books to read when you have some time after exams!

For information about legal specialization, read *The Official Guide to Legal Specialities: An Insider's Guide to Every Major Practice Area* (KF297 .A27 2000). Two books for information on alternatives to traditional law practice are *Career Opportunities in Law and the Legal Industry* (KF297 .E24 2007) and *Nonlegal Careers for Lawyers* (KF297 .M862 2006).

For international law careers, the American Society of International Law publishes annually the *Careers in International Law: A Guide to Career Paths and Internships in International Law* (K115 .C47). The American Bar Association's Section of International Law and Practice publishes *Careers in International Law* (KZ1238.U5 C37 2008).

The annual *Serving the Public: A Job Search Guide* (KF299 .P8 P83) is a must read for those who want to pursue a public interest career.

Please do not hesitate to ask a Reference Librarian for assistance in locating additional career materials or resources for job searching!