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Legal Beagle's Blog

Lizzie Borden!

Posted by Library Blog on 03/02/2009 at 12:00 AM

Arguably Fall River's most notorious citizen comes to life in [Lizzie Borden Live](#), the one-woman play being performed March 13, 14, and 15 at the [Columbus Theatre](#) in Providence.

For those interested in reading about the trial of Lizzie Borden, the Law Library offers the following:

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts vs. Lizzie A. Borden : the Knowlton Papers, 1892-1893 ; a Collection of Previously Unpublished Letters and Documents from the Files of Prosecuting Attorney Hosea Morrill Knowlton edited by Michael Martins and Dennis A. Binette (KF223 .B6 C65 1994)

The Fall River Tragedy : a History of the Borden Murders by Edwin H. Porter (KF223 .B6 P67 1893)

Lizzie Borden : the Untold Story by Edward D. Radin (KF223 .B6 R3 1961)

Yesterday in Old Fall River : a Lizzie Borden Companion by Paul Dennis Hoffman (KF223. B6 H64 2000)

Spotlight on The Making of Modern Law: Legal Treatises 1800 - 1926!

Posted by Library Blog on 03/09/2009 at 12:00 AM

The Making of Modern Law database offers access to the full-text of 22,000 British and American treatises (amounting to more than 10 million pages) published between 1800 to 1926. These treatises can be browsed by author or by title. Conducting a basic search enables the researcher to look for search terms in keywords, subject, author, title, and full-text. Advanced searching allows the researcher to narrow a search to more precise fields (e.g. index) and subjects (e.g. geographical or personal). A full-text search can be limited by date and by one or more of the ninety-nine Library of Congress topics.

Once a treatise has been located, there is an e-Table of Contents that by clicking on a chapter title will lead the researcher to the beginning page of that chapter in the treatise. One can also search for words within the treatise.

A unique feature of The Making of Modern Law database is the option to search within treatises for cartoons, charts, coats of arms, genealogical tables, illustrations, maps, music, plans, and portraits.

For help searching The Making of Modern Law database, ask the Librarian on duty at the Reference Desk!

Networking!

Posted by Library Blog on 03/16/2009 at 12:00 AM

The Office of Career Services and the various law school student organizations provide numerous opportunities for students to network with various legal professionals. In order to learn more about networking, here are some publications in the Law Library's Career Collection collection on the shelves adjacent to Training Lab 2.

A Lawyer's Guide to Networking by Susan R. Sneider (KF316.5 .S64 2006)

Ask the Career Counselors : Answers for Lawyers on Their Lives and Life's Work by Kathy Morris and Jill Eckert (KF297.Z9 M667 2003)

It's Who You Know : the Magic of Networking in Person and on the Internet by Cynthia Chin-Lee (HF5382.7 .C45 1998)

Networking for Everyone: Connecting with People for Career and Job Success by L. Michelle Tullier (HF5381 .T85 1998)

Cover Letters and Resumes!

Posted by Library Blog on 03/23/2009 at 12:00 AM

In addition to the resources of the Office of Career Services, the Law Library's Career collection located on the shelves adjacent to Training Lab 2 has publications on cover letters and resumes. You can check out these publications in addition to the other publications in the Career collection for three weeks.

Best Resumes and CVs for International Jobs: Your Passport to the Global Job Market (HF5383 .K685 2002) by Ronald L. Krannich and Wendy S. Enelow offers advice for those desiring to employment outside the U.S.

Federal Resume Guide: Write a Winning Federal Resume to Get in, Get Promoted, and Survive in a Government Job (JK716 .T73 2004) by Kathryn Kraemer Troutman covers writing a Knowledge, Skills and Abilities statement (KSA) in addition to other tips for getting a job with the federal government. The [USAJobs](#) website offers additional information on obtaining employment with the federal government.

The Legal Career Guru's Guide to the Perfect Legal Resume (KF297 .E4 2000) by J. Murray Elwood offers advice on writing chronological and functional resumes.

Resumes for Law Careers (KF297 .R47 2008) contains nearly 100 sample resumes and cover letters for various types of legal employment.

Study Aids for Sales and Secured Transactions Courses!

Posted by Library Blog on 03/30/2009 at 12:00 AM

The Uniform Commercial Code is the basis for several courses taught here at the law school. To help demystify UCC Article 2 Sales and UCC Article 9 Secured Transactions, here are some study aids available in the Law Library's collection.

UCC Article 2 Sales study aids are *Sales and Leases: Examples and Explanations* (4th ed. on Reserve, KF915 .Z9 B76 2006), *Sales and Leases of Goods in a Nutshell* (4th ed. Reserve, KF915 .Z9 S7 2003) and *Understanding Sales and Leases of Goods* (Reserve, KF915 .L395 1996 and Reserve, KF915 .L395 1999).

Study aids for UCC Article 9 Secured Transactions are the hornbook *The Law of Securities Regulation* (revised 5th ed. on Reserve, KF1439 .H39 2006), *Secured Transactions: Examples and Explanations* (4th ed. on Reserve, KF1053 .A9 B76 2008), *Secured Transactions in a Nutshell* (5th ed. on Reserve, KF1050 .A9 S43 2007), and *Understanding Secured Transactions* (4th ed. on Reserve, KF1050 .A9 H44 2007).

If available, previous editions of the above mentioned study aids are located in the stacks. Ask the Reference Librarian on duty at the Reference Desk if you need assistance with locating a study aid!