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## February 2017 Library Blogs

### ***Legal Beagle's Post***

February 2, 2017

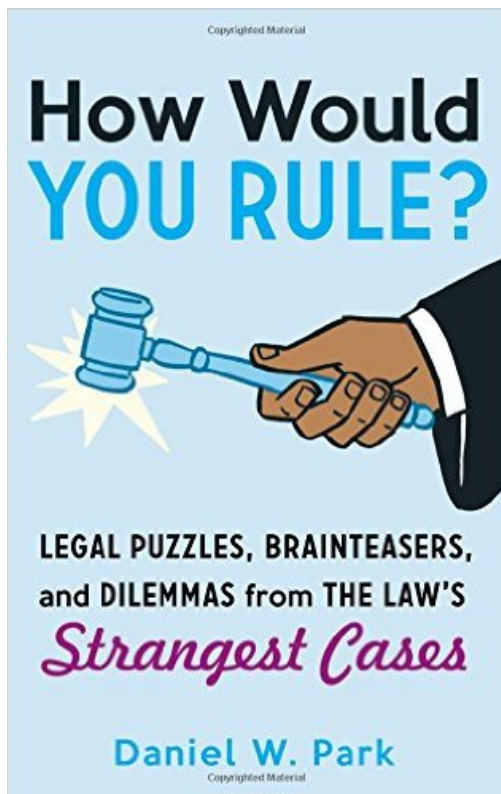
## How Would You Rule? By Daniel Park

Posted by Library Blog on 02/02/2017 at 09:06 AM

Are you interested in legal puzzles? Do you want to train your brain to think more like a lawyer or a judge? If so, you should check out this new book in the library!

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*How Would You Rule? Legal Puzzles, Brainteasers, and Dilemmas from the Law's Strangest*

Cases by [Daniel Park](#) gives readers an introduction to the law by looking at strange (but true!) cases.

Park starts each chapter off by describing the facts of these unique cases before asking the ultimate question: "How would you rule?" After this prompt, the real-life fate of the case is revealed, along with further reflections on the case and questions for you to consider.

While you can read the reasoning of lawyers and judges through case law, the best way to learn law is by practicing it. This book can help you sharpen your own intuition by actively thinking about what's right and what's wrong and why.

The book can be found in the library's lending collection at [KF385.A4 P36 2016](#).

## ***Legal Beagle's Post***

February 10, 2017

### **Happy Valentine's Day!**

Posted by Library Blog on 02/10/2017 at 11:51 AM

While our library's collection is primarily designed to meet the needs of the faculty and students of the School of Law and also serve the broader academic and legal community, there are other libraries which have an even broader collection policy which includes old love letters and old Valentine's Day cards. Some of these libraries have put artifacts from their collection online for our viewing pleasure.

The Houghton Library of Harvard University has one collection of 40 hand-drawn valentines probably created in the UK between 1850 and 1860. (<http://blogs.harvard.edu/houghtonmodern/2011/02/14/be-mine-you-nasty-and...>) The New York Public Library allows you view almost 90 vintage Valentine cards (<https://digitalcollections.nypl.org/collections/holiday-postcards#/?tab=...>) and even allows you to send e-cards of old Valentine's to your loved one(s). (<http://pages.email.nypl.org/valentinecard/>) The Library of Birmingham has a collection of traditional vintage Valentine's Day cards (<http://www.libraryofbirmingham.com/bemyvalentine>) as well as a collection of so-called comic Valentine's Day cards (<http://www.libraryofbirmingham.com/comicvalentines>). These comic cards were sent to insult and/or mock the recipient. (<http://libraryofbirmingham.com/article/comicvalentines/comicvalentines>) Finally, the Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County have a digitized collection of color lithographed cards from the 1830s to the 1920s. (<http://digital.cincinnatiilibrary.org/cdm/landingpage/collection/p16998co...>) Happy Valentine's Day!

The [Houghton Library of Harvard University](#) has one collection of 40 hand-drawn valentines probably created in the UK between 1850 and 1860.

The [New York Public Library](#) allows you view almost 90 vintage Valentine cards and even allows you to [send e-cards of old Valentine's](#) to your loved one(s).

The Library of Birmingham has a collection of [traditional vintage Valentine's Day cards](#) as well as a collection of so-called [comic Valentine's Day cards](#). [These comic cards](#) were sent to insult and/or mock the recipient.

Finally, [the Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County](#) have a digitized collection of color lithographed cards from the 1830s to the 1920s.

Happy Valentine's Day!



# ***Legal Beagle's Post***

February 16, 2017

## **Celebrating Presidents' Day at the RWU Law Library**

Posted by Library Blog on 02/16/2017 at 03:19 PM

While having the day off from class is a great way to celebrate Presidents' Day, it is not the only way! The RWU Law Library will show you many ways to celebrate Presidents' Day next week:

- On **Tuesday, 2/21**, we will be having an event from 10:00 am – 11:30 am called “Puzzling with the Librarians.” The librarians will be pushing together the tables in the Library Lounge and having some good old-fashioned puzzling fun.

Playing with puzzles, [according to journalist Cassandra Jardine](#), can be calming and Jardine states, “Jigsaws...are silent, calming and can be combined with a little light social life. And they are gloriously cheap compared with other amusements, which explains why weekly cardboard puzzles became a national obsession in the US after the crash of 1929. That boom led to a bust all of its own when, in December 1932, a terrible period known as the Jigsaw Famine ensued.” Given the pressures of midterms, we are taking some time out of our schedule to relax, be mindful, and relieve some stress.

- On **Wednesday, 2/22**, the library will have a coloring station set up to encourage patrons to [color historical presidents](#) and Executive branch items.
- On **Thursday, 2/23**, we will be having a special Presidential treat for patrons in the morning.
- On **Friday, 2/24**, we will have a special President-themed crossword puzzle for patrons who want to boost their [brainpower](#)!

In anticipation of the week's events, try [this Presidents' Day quiz](#)!

The Law Library celebrates



### Calendar of Events

- **Tuesday: Presidential Puzzling with the Librarians**  
10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Law Library Student Lounge
- **Wednesday: Presidential Coloring**
- **Thursday: Presidential Sweet Treats**
- **Friday: Presidential Crossword Puzzle**

## *Legal Beagle's Post*

February 23, 2017

### Are you Smart Enough to Work at Google?

Posted by Library Blog on 02/23/2017 at 08:46 AM

Some companies, specifically tech companies and start-up companies, use a particular style of interviewing that uses logic games, puzzles, and riddles to test interviewees on creative and analytical thinking. [According to Time magazine](#), "they became especially popular in the 1990s when big tech companies like Microsoft were looking for ways to see if job candidates could think on their feet and offer creative solutions to out-of-left-field problems." Love them or hate them, these puzzles can be brain-teasing and brain-busting.



Author William Poundstone has written two books on this topic which are both available in the library's collection to help students sharpen their thinking and analytical skills.

[How would you Move Mount Fuji?](#) reveals some of the tricks of puzzle-laden job interviews, specifically Microsoft. This book recommends several sites on which to find these type of interview riddles such as [Techinterview](#).

[Are You Smart Enough to Work at Google?](#) guides readers through solutions to challenging but fun potential interview puzzle questions. An excerpt of this [title can be found online](#). An example of a puzzle similar to one found in Chapter 2 of this [book can be found online](#).

For more information on these books or other books in the law library's Career Collection, please stop by the Reference Desk or email us at [lawlibraryhelp@rwu.edu](mailto:lawlibraryhelp@rwu.edu).