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Immigration Law Display in the Library

The New York Times Editorial Board stated that the "Migration Policy Institute reported in 2013 that the federal government spends more each year on immigration enforcement — through Immigration and Customs Enforcement and the Border Patrol — than on all other federal law enforcement agencies combined." According to a 2013 article in an ABA publication, “[t]here are two types of immigration law practitioners. The first works with corporate legal and human resources departments to get work permits for their employees; the other represents foreign nationals on removal, exclusion, deportation, green cards, work visas, H-1Bs, E visas, and ‘fixing’ aliens who fall out of status.” No matter which type of immigration work interests you, the law library has resources for your research needs.

One of the best sites for immigration law resources is our library-created LawGuide on Immigration which was developed for the Immigration Clinic. This guide is bursting full of helpful information!

The guide features ailalink, created and maintained by the American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA), one of the best immigration law databases. This database contains fully searchable resources essential for practicing immigration law including: Kurzban’s Immigration Law Sourcebook; more than 280 immigration forms; immigration-related statutes, regulations, and case law; agency correspondence and manuals, including the USCIS Adjudicator's Field Manual; AILA/government liaison minutes; and a wide selection of AILA publications beyond Kurzban.
This month we are featuring a small display of immigration law materials in the library. The display in the library is a small selection of the resources we have on immigration at the library. We have books, e-books, databases, and other resources on this topic and we are excited to tell you about them.

And speaking of the New York Times, the Library also offers complimentary digital access to the New York Times for faculty and students! Sign up while on campus with the following steps and enjoy!

- Connect your laptop or phone to Students1 or Faculty/Staff
- Go to: [http://nytimes.com/grouppass](http://nytimes.com/grouppass)
- Create an account or renew your account

NOTE: You must renew the account annually, so be sure to add the expiration date to your calendar!

Stop by and see the librarians to discuss your immigration-related research needs (or any of your other research needs, too)!

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October 13, 2017

Happy National Boss Day to All You Future Bosses!

Posted by Library Blog on 10/13/2017 at 10:14 AM

October 16th is National Boss Day. According to [Hallmark](http://www.hallmark.com), the holiday began in “1958 when Patricia Bays Haroski, then an employee at State Farm Insurance Company in Deerfield, Ill., registered the holiday with the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. Ms. Haroski chose Oct. 16, her father’s birthday, as the date for National Boss Day because she felt he was an exemplary boss.” Hallmark took a while to catch onto the concept because the first Boss Day cards were not made by the company until 1979!
Not all of the students here are bosses…yet. But many will be. There are over 20 million managers in the workforce in the United States today. While not everyone will be a boss, or even wants to be a boss, all of our students have a deep interest in career resources, generally. These resources are available in the library to help you find jobs, master career skills, and eventually, maybe, be a boss!

The library’s website currently features two career guides. One focuses on general job searching, while the other focuses on alternatives to traditional careers.

In addition to the material featured in the guides, there are other interesting resources in our collection. For corporate counsel job searches, as an example, we have the Directory of New England In-house Counsel in print in the collection, a subscription to the Directory of Corporate Counsel, and a subscription to the Corporate Counsel Profiler. Our career collection also contains resources for researching federal judges in advance of applying for clerkship positions. One place to turn for information on federal judges is the Almanac of the Federal Judiciary, which contains profiles on every federal judge (and all the key bankruptcy judges and magistrate judges). These resources, available through the library, are indispensable!

The library has many resources to help you become a boss, or just start your legal career. However, the most amazing career resource at RWU School of Law is definitely the Career Development Office!

If you have questions about our career resources, or any other resources, please contact us at lawlibraryhelp@rwu.edu.

October 20, 2017

Professor Santoro - Founder, Teacher, Mentor

Posted by Library Blog on 10/20/2017 at 09:51 AM

In 1991, Rhode Island was one of only three states without a law school. A group of individuals who believed that Rhode Island should have a law school contacted Anthony J. Santoro to conduct a feasibility study on whether or not to establish a law school at Roger Williams University in Bristol. After collecting the data and filing his report, he determined that the law school at Roger Williams University was feasible. This is how the story of Anthony J. Santoro and the Roger Williams University School of Law began.
That same group of individuals then wanted Anthony Santoro as the first dean of the new law school. He accepted their offer. He started work establishing the physical facility and recruiting and hiring the founding faculty, but his tenure as dean was short. Before the law school opened its doors to its first class, the president of Roger Williams University unexpectedly resigned. Dean Santoro became President Santoro. He served the University and School of Law as President from 1993-2000. After leaving the presidency, he returned to the Law School where he has been teaching for the past seventeen years.

At the close of this fall semester this beloved professor, president emeritus of the university and founding dean of the law school will retire after more than 25 years of dedicated service to Roger Williams University. Professor Santoro was born in Melrose, Massachusetts and graduated from Somerset High School (Mass.). He received his BA from Boston College and his JD and MA in taxation from Georgetown University Law Center. Before coming to Bristol, he was a professor and/or dean at several other law schools.

In spite of his many years as a law school dean and as RWU’s president, Professor Santoro’s first love has been teaching and being with law students. His specialty in business and tax law has provided students with a variety of courses related to those subjects. Law students have had the opportunity to enroll in his courses on: Federal Income Tax, Business & Partnership Tax, Tax Stories, Business Planning, Business Concepts for Non-Business Lawyers, Business Organizations, and Advanced Tax. These specialized courses attracted motivated students.

Students not only learned what Professor Santoro had to offer on the topic; they also discovered a wonderful teacher and mentor. He would meet with them out of class to discuss their progress, questions they had, their goals, their careers, their lives. Professor Santoro was even observed by a friend of the Beagle one fall
semester at the end of exams, sitting at a table at Aidan’s waiting for his tax class to finish their exam and join him for lunch. The relationship between professor and students did not end at the classroom door.

One of these relationships led Brian Ali ’06 to create the Professor Anthony J. Santoro Business Lecture Series, held every fall for the past six years, as a tribute to Professor Santoro who is respected and honored as a teacher by his students. As Mr. Ali said in 2012, “I owe Professor Santoro a great deal of thanks for being a wonderful friend and mentor.”

That respect and honor is a two way street. In 2014, Professor Santoro referred to his former tax students and their careers in a blog post about the need for tax lawyers. He had stayed in touch with several of them as they pursued their LL.M degrees and was happy to report on their employment success.

From all who have had the pleasure to work in the same law school as Professor Santoro, we hope that his upcoming retirement will be filled with much joy and laughter and that he will enjoy his retirement. Happy days to you and your wife, Professor Santoro!

October 27, 2017

Halloween Quips & Flashcards Tips
 Posted by Library Blog on 10/26/2017 at 02:35 PM
Imagine enjoying a nice, leisurely stroll through a haunted corn maze when all of the sudden Jason pops up with a chainsaw, causing you to take a tumble and hurt your ankle. If one of your first thoughts is whether a breach of duty occurred, then you are definitely thinking like a lawyer!

Stop by the Law Library on Halloween to trick or treat yourself to some candy and read about some real-life spooky cases (including ones with chainsaw wielding horror characters).

You can also take a short study break and browse some of the Law Library’s more eerie and magical titles, such as:

- **The Little Book of Holiday Law** - read about Halloween pranks that went awry.
- **The Judge Who Hated Red Nail Polish & Other Crazy but True Stories of Law & Lawyers** - this book gives a much needed answer to the age old question: would the law protect you from buying a haunted house?
- **The Law and Harry Potter** - if you still pine for your letter from Hogwarts, take a look at this book where legal academics from around the world look at the depiction of law and legal institutions in J.K. Rowling’s Harry Potter novels.

If you need a little break from the law, you can also take a short walk to the undergraduate library and check out a classic thriller, maybe one by macabre master **Stephen King**. Law students have borrowing privileges at the undergraduate library, so enjoy!

After all the Halloween festivities have wrapped up, you may want to get a head start on studying for finals or the bar exam. The Law Library has just the event for you!

The librarians and Academic Success will be hosting a flashcard-making event in the Kent Law Library Student Lounge from 12:30-1:30pm on Wednesday, November 1st. Stop by to get flashcard making tips and learn about alternatives to traditional flashcards (all hail Quizlet!). Demonstrations and supplies will be provided!
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