



# THE BARRISTER

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## DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

### *Greetings ALL!*

As the Acting Associate Dean for Information Resources, I have the honor of drafting the Library Director's message for the newsletter. This month's message is all about sharing the love!

I began working in libraries as a page in my youth, and except for a few years when I thought I was too cool to hang out at the library as a teenager, I have always enjoyed the learning environment and wealth of knowledge that is always allowed to flourish in a library. I feel truly lucky to be able to spend the majority of my day in a library and with a Library and IT team that I enjoy.

Did you know that people love libraries so much that the month of February is National Library Lover's Month? Yes it is true. The entire month is devoted to the people who enthusiastically love reading, organizing, categorizing, finding, studying and otherwise loving books and the buildings they are housed in.

The Library and IT teams at the Charleston School of Law Library want to celebrate **Love your Library Month** with all of you. Throughout the library you will find heart cut outs and writing utensils please take a few moments to jot down why you love our team on the heart. You can bring the heart shaped notes to the Reference or Circulation Desks or simply leave them on a table for a full time team member to find and share.

To modify an old adage, February is for Lovers... of the Library!!!

Best,

*Dean Katie Brown*

## Study Resources

Mary Susan Lucas, Reference & Electronic Services Librarian



♥ February is Love Your Library Month. ♥

We want to show you how much your CSOL Library loves you! ♥♥♥

**New!** We are delighted to announce that the *West Academic Study Aids* online subscription is up and running. Check your email for announcements on access, new resources, and features added since the trial last fall. You will want to try the new Mobile App as you can download any title from the Study Aids Subscription and read offline too, wherever you want to study. All notes and highlighting will appear on both your computer and mobile device.

Thank you to all who participated in our Survey on Electronic Study Aids. We received 115 responses and carefully reviewed the data. Based on your feedback, fans of *Examples & Explanations* will also have reason to celebrate as we will soon be expanding our print study aids collection. Stay tuned!

**Improved!** The *Law in A Flash* study aids collection has been updated and expanded. The flash cards are located in the glass cabinets and are available for three-day check-out. Quiz yourself and review important definitions, hypotheticals, and black letter law in a concise format.

**BARBRI 24/7:** Everyone has access to the BARBRI law school success materials, 1L Mastery and 2L/3L Mastery. Use these comprehensive tools to succeed in law school. Whether you prefer outlines or video lectures, there are resources right for you on exam strategies and all of the most common doctrinal subjects.

**Audio:** Looking to keep learning while you drive, cook, or exercise? Review our large collection of AV study aids in the glass cabinets. They are available for one-week check-out. *West Academic Study Aids* also has audio lectures.

**Coming Soon!** We continue to update and expand our study aids collection. Look for announcements throughout the spring semester.

**Suggestions?** We love feedback. Come see us in the library and give us your insights and suggestions.

## Library Briefings for Spring 2018

Cassandra Patterson, Reference & Outreach Services Librarian



The library has planned briefings sessions for the spring semester. Briefings are an important service provided by the library and is a useful way to provide helpful information to students on various topics and resources available through the library.

The first briefing on Upper Level Writing Papers filled to capacity within days. The feedback from the briefing included: the briefing was very helpful and it provided in-depth information on an important school requirement. We have three more sessions planned, and we want you to make use of this service.

The following sessions are scheduled for the remaining [Spring 2018 Briefings](#). All are located in the Library room M101.

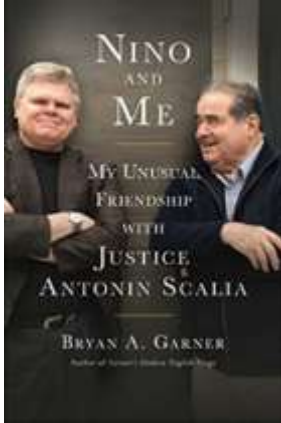
- **Well – Kept Secrets of West Study Aids: Holistic Resources for Your Academic Success**
  - Monday, **March 05, 2018** @ 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.
  - Presented by the Library
- **Job Hunting? Check Out the Library's Resources**
  - Monday, **March 19, 2018** @ 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.
  - Presented by Career Services
- **Jump Start Your Summer Clerkship: Research Skills, Resources & Techniques**
  - Monday, **April 16, 2018** @ 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.
  - Presented by the Library

The briefings are scheduled during lunch and pizza will be provided. [Sign-up sheets](#) for all of three briefings are on [TWEN](#). Please sign up early if you plan to join us.

We initially scheduled a briefing on Legal Research 101 for this spring. We feel that a session on the new West Study Aids would be more beneficial due to the newly acquired subscription. Please stop by and see one of the Librarians if you would still like some tips and tricks on conducting legal research.

On the Shelves  
Marisa Henthorn, Access Services Library Assistant

Check out some of our new titles below.



Garner, Bryan A.; NINO AND ME: MY UNUSUAL FRIENDSHIP WITH JUSTICE ANTONIN SCALIA



Edited by Bowes, Edward; LAWSCAPE 2025: DEFINING THE LAW FIRM OF TOMORROW



Albert, Peter G. ; INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW IN CYBERSPACE

## Featured App

### Dominique Bivins, IT Help Desk Technician

This month's featured app is Quizlet, a study tool offered on both Android and iOS devices. Quizlet is a program that allows a student to create easy and on the go digital index cards to aid and focus their studying habits on specific subjects. This app also offers a community which allows any student to search and interact with other sets and diagrams created by millions of other students who are taking related courses.

How it works is that you, the student, can either create an account through the Quizlet's app or by going directly to the site <https://quizlet.com/> through your preferred browser. Once an account is created, the items that you create will automatically sync to any device that has the app. Once everything is setup, the process of creating and saving sets and diagrams is just as simple as writing terms and definitions on a regular index card.

Lastly, another feature is the ability to create classes so that you can share and collaborate with your fellow classmates. With this feature one person can create a class (i.e. Con Law II) and then invite other students to join. This gives a group the opportunity to create collective sets and diagrams that will aid in the success of course completion.

Overall, Quizlet is an excellent on the go study tool that allows a student to improve their study habits through technology. Below are a few links that will give more information on the app.

- Quizlet Help Center: <https://quizlet.com/help>
- Creating a new set: <https://quizlet.com/help/2444100/creating-a-new-set>
- Importing content to Quizlet: <https://quizlet.com/help/2444107/import-content-to-quizlet>
- Class Creation: <https://quizlet.com/help/2444139/create-a-class>
- Quizlet for iOS: <https://quizlet.com/help/topic/968972/quizlet-for-ios>
- Quizlet for Android: <https://quizlet.com/help/topic/968973/quizlet-for-android>

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### Safety Awareness Tip

Grady Mason, Director of Security



When walking to your cars or between buildings, please remain alert and focused. Don't be so wrapped up in your phone that you are not aware of your surroundings. Remember, someone may be watching, waiting for an opportunity. Don't give them one. Be alert and be Safe!