

OneL Summer Reading- Faculty Recommendations

Summer reading is optional. We want you to have a wonderful, relaxing summer so please only choose a few books for reading in your spare time, hopefully on the beach or poolside.

We highly recommend two books:

- Bramble Bush: On Our Law and Its Study by Karl N. Llewellyn- a classic essay on the law and law school
- A Civil Action by Jonathan Harr- the story of a recent environmental lawsuit

Also recommended are:

Non-fiction

- The Buffalo Creek Disaster: How the Survivors of One of the Worst Disasters in Coal-Mining History Brought Suit against the Coal Company--and Won by Gerald M. Stern
- Dead Man Walking: An Eyewitness Account of the Death Penalty in the United States by Sister Helen Prejean
- Letters to a Young Lawyer by Alan M. Dershowitz

Law School Advice

- Academic Legal Writing by Eugene Volokh
- Acing Your First Year of Law School: The Ten Steps to Success You Won't Learn in Class by Shana Connell Noyes and Henry S. Noyes
- Bridging the Gap between College and Law School: Strategies for Success by Ruta K. Stropus and Charlotte D. Taylor
- Getting to Maybe: How to Excel on Law School Exams by Richard Michael Fischl and Jeremy Paul
- Law School Without Fear: Strategies for Success by Helene Shapo and Marshall Shapo

Legal Theory

- Ages of American Law by Grant Gilmore
- Economic Analysis of Law by Richard A. Posner
- The Nature of the Judicial Process by Benjamin N. Cardozo