

Bathroom Reader

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WORD OF THE WEEK CONTEST

Here are the Word of the Week winners since last issue.

Linnea Schuster - *arguendo*

Tuan La - *inveigle*

Devan Kawakami-Wong - *dun*

Tom Michener - *castigatory*

Congratulations to the winners! Submit your legal words at the Circulation Desk for your chance to win a \$10 Starbucks giftcard.

Somewhere “out there,” beyond the walls of the courthouse, run currents and tides of public opinion which lap at the courtroom door.
-Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist

BLUEBOOK OBSCURA



Bluebooking can be a painful thing. It's packed with strange rules, some of which seem to only be usable once. Some seem to have been created just to

torture. Plus it's so conceited that it even has a rule to cite itself: Rule 15.8 (c)(v).

Professor Woods has compiled some of the weirder rules in her Lib-Guide on the Library website, but the weirdest one? Rule 7(d) that explains you should italicize a lower case “L” so it doesn't look like a number one. Often used in statute subdivisions.

What weird ones do you know?

RICHES V. THANKSGIVING

There are some holidays that can invoke some strong emotions but... Thanksgiving?

Serial pro se litigant Jonathan Lee Riches filed a 42 U.S.C. § 1983 action against “Thanksgiving [sic], Pilgrims, Mayflower Movers, Pilgrim Pride, Turkey Hill, Black Friday, Corn on the Cob, Cleveland Indians.” It was dismissed. 2007 WL 4591385 (N.D. Cal. Dec. 28, 2007).

STUDY AIDS AT THE LIBRARY



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