

## Judicial Law Libraries and Self-Help Centers Patron Code of Conduct

The Judicial Law Libraries have the authority to establish reasonable rules pertaining to the use of the libraries as well as the right to exclude any person who violates those rules. This Code of Conduct is designed to protect the rights and safety of library patrons, library staff members, and to preserve and protect the libraries' materials, facilities, and property.

Disruptive conduct is prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Interference with others' use of the library or with the duties of library staff.
- Uncivil or disrespectful verbal or written communication directed towards other patrons or library staff.
- Intoxication or drunken behavior.
- Fighting, threats, profane language or lewd acts in the library.
- Excessive noise, loud talking, shouting, playing of music, etc.
- Ringing cell phones; Cell phones must be set to "silent mode." Cell phone use is limited to designated areas.
- Taking photos or recording videos. Permission to take photos for the purposes of copying legal texts may be granted by library staff.

Abuse of the library facility is prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Theft of library material.
- Damaging library property.
- Consuming food in the library. Non-alcoholic beverages in covered containers are permitted.
- Entering areas marked "Employees Only."

Abuse of the computer policy, which includes but is not limited to:

- Watching non-educational videos or playing video games.
- Exceeding the one-hour time limit if other patrons are waiting. Those researching legal issues will take priority.
- Tampering with the computers, printers, or other equipment.

Anyone not engaged in library-related activities (i.e., reading or research) may be asked to leave the law library.