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**LAW LIBRARY**  
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**PATRON RULES OF CONDUCT**

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The San Diego County Public Law Library has adopted the following Rules of Conduct.

All Law Library patrons are expected to follow all Law Library policies including these Rules of Conduct.

The term Law Library, or Library, as used in this policy means all branches of the San Diego County Public Law Library.

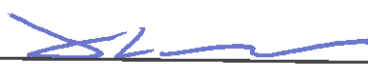
Unacceptable behavior may result in physical removal or exclusion from the Law Library. The Law Library staff is authorized to determine what constitutes unacceptable behavior. Unacceptable behavior includes the following:

1. Engaging in any illegal activity on Library premises.
2. Carrying or displaying weapons on Library premises.
3. Disturbing, intimidating, or harassing Library patrons or staff.
4. Engaging in lewd conduct including flashing, petting, or sexually oriented gestures, sounds, or comments on Library premises.
5. Stealing, vandalizing, damaging, or defacing Library facilities, equipment, property, or materials.
6. Maliciously accessing, altering, deleting, damaging, or destroying a Library computer system, network, computer program, or data.
7. Exhibiting intoxication or drunken behavior on Library premises.
8. Consuming or possessing alcoholic beverages, marijuana in any form, or illegal drugs on Library premises.
9. Smoking tobacco or marijuana, vaping, or chewing tobacco in the Library.
10. Using sounds or images in a way that disturbs Library patrons or staff. Disturbing images include obscene or sexually explicit materials on cell phones, tablets, computers, and similar technology.
11. Using cell phones or other electronic devices in Library areas that disrupt the work of others.
12. Engaging in loud conversation or using abusive language in the Library.
13. Having personal hygiene that is so offensive as to constitute a nuisance to Library patrons or staff.
14. Using Library restrooms inappropriately. Inappropriate use includes bathing or washing clothes.
15. Soliciting, panhandling, sleeping, or loitering in the Library or on Library premises.
16. Bringing shopping carts or wheeled conveyances into the Library. Wheelchairs and trial briefcases with collapsible luggage carriers are permitted.
17. Bringing into the Library bedrolls, blankets, luggage, containers, packages, parcels, or bundles which singly or collectively exceed 26" x 17" x 9" or any items that pose a potential safety hazard to Library patrons or staff.
18. Bringing animals other than service animals onto Library premises.
19. Wearing inappropriate attire in the Library.
20. Distributing printed material or taking photos in the Library without prior authorization from the Law Library Administration or a designated representative.
21. Bringing food or drinks in non-spill proof containers into the Library, or eating in the Library, except during Library-sponsored events.
22. Leaving children (below 14 years of age) unsupervised at any time in the Library.
23. Refusing to submit to a search or inspection or to leave the Library when asked.

Any person who violates these rules may be asked to leave or be removed from the Law Library by the Law Library staff, security guard, or peace officer. The person removed shall not enter the on-site Library premises for a period of time as specified by the Director of the Law Library or the Director's designee. Violation or repetitive violation of any of these rules shall result in suspension of that person's library privileges for such period of time as deemed appropriate by the Law Library. Any person who refuses to leave when asked or re-enters the building during the term of his or her suspension shall be considered a trespasser. In such case, law enforcement will be notified and the person will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

A copy of these Rules of Conduct shall be posted at the Law Library's entrance.

These Rules of Conduct have been approved by the San Diego Law Library Board of Trustees at a regular meeting held on June 21, 2017.

  
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Judge David Berry  
President of the Board of Trustees

  
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Director of Libraries &  
Assistant Secretary to the Board of Trustees