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Editorial

We are in the long-awaited new decade of 2020, so

we all should be excited about the many new possibilities this change in time has to offer! One thing for sure, is that there is always something new and exciting happening at the law library. For 2020, we promise you that our newsletter will introduce -: new formats to provide you with information; new and interactive features to keep reading fun and interesting; and you guessed it, new stories every quarter.

Is there anything new and exciting you would like to share? [Send](#) us topics or suggestions that you would like to see highlighted in future editions. Here's to a great 2020!

We hope you enjoy this issue. Happy reading and stay safe!

This issue:

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Did you Know?

...that under Hawai'i law a mother or father of an unmarried minor may be jointly or severally liable for damages for torts committed by their children? Read more in our "Victims of juvenile offenders FAQ booklet" and the Hawaii Revised Statute §521- 42. You may also access other resources on the topic @

https://www.courts.state.hi.us/services/adult_client_services/crime_victim_compensation

<https://ovc.ncjrs.gov/ResourceByState.aspx?state=hi>

<https://ag.hawaii.gov/cpia/ccp/help-for-hawaiis-crime-victims/>

Pretty neat!

Dates to Watch

The Library will be closed for the following holidays:

- Mar. 26** - Prince Kuhio Day
- Apr. 10** - Good Friday
- May 25** - Memorial Day

SCLL COVID - 19 Note to Users

In light of these trying and unprecedented times, the Supreme Court Law Library has been closed to the public effective Monday, March 16, 2020. We are still able to offer legal reference services over the phone and via email: Call (808) 539-4964 or send a message to LawLibrary@courts.hawaii.gov.

We are looking forward to when our doors are again opened to the public and we can provide our full array of library services. Click here for up-to-date information regarding the [Hawaii State Judiciary and COVID-19](#).

Please keep healthy and safe!

Select New Titles

January and February 2020

Constitutional Conventions, States

[State constitutional documents]. Rutgers University, 2020.

Online resource: <https://perma.cc/3GVZ-DA4Q>

Note: From the Perma.cc record, click on "View the live page" to access materials.

Constitutions, States

Sutton, Jeffrey S. *51 Imperfect solutions: states and the making of American Constitutional Law*. Oxford University Press, 2018. [KF4530 S97 2018]

Legal Ethics

The Thomas Woodward Houghton 50 state ethics guide. Tarlton Law Library, Jamail Center for Legal Research, The University of Texas at Austin, 2019.

Online resource: <https://tarlton.law.utexas.edu/ethics>

United States. Education Amendments of 1972.

Chung Rina. *The complexities of enforcing Title IX and related laws: past history, current status, and future directions*. Legislative Reference Bureau, 2019.

Also available online: <https://lrh.hawaii.gov/publications/lrh-reports>

Laughable or Law Suit?

In 2016, a class action lawsuit filed against Fresh Inc. over the lip balm leftover in the bottom of the tube was put to rest by the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. Here's why:

Lawyers for the plaintiffs alleged Fresh's deceived consumers, because the company allowed them to think there is additional product in the tube, but the twist-up mechanism of the lip balm doesn't provide access to the bit at the bottom to be used. According to the lawyers, this was in violation of California's Fair Packaging and Labeling Act, but the court disagreed and ruled that reasonable consumer would not consider this "deceptive" and would understand how these tubes work.

At that time, "slack fill" litigations were on the rise and lawyers were buying into the trend. "Slack fill", is that empty space in packaging for consumables like chips, where extra air is added to keep the chips from being crushed and for other purposes. This kind of packaging, lawyers claim deceive consumers as they are larger than they believe the item necessitates.

The court threw out the plaintiffs' claims in the particular case.

Fun time!

Legal Scramble

See how fast and how well you can unscramble these legal jargons

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| 3. BAALILEB | 8. FSSARNEI |
| 4. CEAPALP | 9. ATRNGMSENI |
| 5. NMIDMIESI | 10. REAYSHA |

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