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Director's Corner

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I'm revisiting an old topic this month: eBooks! The law library has over 600 eBooks you can check out! Our entire Matthew Bender print collection is now duplicated in eBooks. These titles include *Ohio Criminal Law Handbook*, *Anderson's Appellate Practice and Procedure in Ohio*, *Corbin on Contracts*, *Larson's Workers' Compensation Law*, *Nichols' The Law of Eminent Domain*, and *Weissenberger's Ohio Civil Procedure Manual*. In addition we own several ABA titles.



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Ohio's county law libraries are eligible for American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 money and we applied for a grant to pay for and possibly increase our eBook collection for 2022. As always, if there is a book or eBook you would like us to purchase please email me directly [here](#).

Thank you to **Susan Garner Eisenman** for her generous donation of the sketch of the old courthouse. Ms. Eisenman found this framed picture at a garage sale and felt its appropriate home is here in the law library.

Beginning Friday, September 10, 2021, the law library will be operating remotely on Fridays. We will continue to operate this way through Friday, December 31, 2021. We will remain open to patrons Monday through Thursday 8 am - 5 pm.

Patrons can access our remote resources below.

Our forms are at <https://tinyurl.com/w7eewcu>

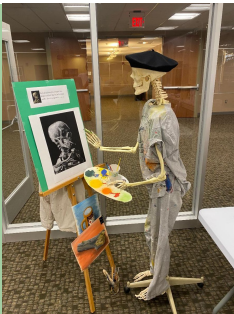
Our email is fccl-info@franklincountyohio.gov

Remote Resources Available

Regardless of our status, our patrons can continue to use our resources remotely.



- Email us your research requests at fcll-info@franklincountyohio.gov. We usually answer requests within the hour.
- [Fastcase](#) is an online research database similar to Lexis and Westlaw. You can access this site remotely using the username FranklinCounty and password fastcase.
- [National Consumer Law Center](#). You have access to their 21 treatises on consumer law using the username FCLL and password 4Research.
- [eBooks](#) are available through our website. Several Matthew Bender handbooks are available. You only need your law library card number.
- We have [57 Legal Research Guides](#) to help you on any number of topics. These guides are compiled by our Reference Librarian and contain information vital to your topic.
- The [Ohio Legal Help Portal](#) is another great resource for finding legal assistance.
- Feel free to download any of our [legal forms](#).



Lou took some Zoom art classes during the shutdown. Here she is painting a self portrait.



Podcast Roundup

Minnie Ozbeytemur

In honor of back-to-school time, we're offering a few podcasts and YouTube channels that can teach or encourage you to learn a new hobby. Having a hobby can relieve stress, increase confidence, and help both your physical and mental health.

Podcasts:

[Art Curious](#) - Jennifer Dasal delves into fascinating stories of art history.

[Podcasting Q&A](#) - This is a podcast about how to podcast.

[Bloom & Grow Radio](#) - Learn how to care for all your indoor plants to become the best Plant Mama or Plant Papa you can be!

[One Great Book](#) - Of course, we'd include a podcast about reading! Every week Anne Bogel discusses a book she's read.

YouTube:

[Easy Languages](#) - Learn a new language through street interviews of locals.

[Cocktail Chemistry](#) - If you learn any of these, please come share with the librarians!

[Paul Davids](#) - Take guitar lessons!

[Fstoppers](#) - A community of photographers gives tutorials and tips on how to take great pictures.



There's been a good deal of hype over the past few years about cellular 5G, and now it's finally ready for prime time. Although the big three cellular networks (AT&T, Verizon, and T-Mobile/Sprint) are still rolling out additional features, bands, and coverage areas of 5G, much of it is in place for you no matter what carrier you use. With iPhone 12 and the forthcoming iPhone 13 models supporting 5G, and many Android models from various vendors doing so, you already have plenty of choices for upgrading.

Cellular 5G comes in three different "flavors," or frequency bands:

Low Band - Wider coverage than 4G LTE, low frequency so it penetrates buildings better, and more efficient than 4G LTE. T-Mobile excels here, with AT&T a close second. Verizon is still a bit behind in low band but building out quickly. Speeds and lag are generally about the same as 4G LTE in some areas, but much better than 4G LTE in other areas.

Mid Band - Higher in frequency, less range than low band, but significantly better on speed than 4G LTE. Often found in metro areas inside and outside of the city core.

High Band or Millimeter Wave - Extremely high speed and very low in latency, but range is very short. You'll only find high band in dense urban areas and, in some cases, with cell towers or cell sites just a block or two apart.

In comparing 5G to 4G LTE, since the former is more efficient, you're less likely to encounter cell towers that are overwhelmed with usage. Ever notice that you have a great signal on 4G LTE, but speed is bad? That's often because there are many users on the local cell tower but not enough "horsepower." All bands of 5G are better at this, as long as the cell carrier is sending enough data bandwidth to the tower in question. 5G is simply better, faster, more efficient technology than is 4G LTE.

With the impending retirement of 2G and 3G by all three major carriers, some of which will go away as early as January 2022, older cell phones that don't support at least 4G will go dead. All the carriers are transitioning to 5G low band to replace "base coverage" currently offered by 2G and 3G, giving rural areas a significant jump on cellular data speed. You'll see 5G low band also being referred to as "5G nationwide coverage" because of its long-range capabilities.

And stepping up to a 5G phone doesn't have to bust the bank. I recently picked up a used, mint-condition Motorola One 5G phone on eBay for well under \$200. Apple's 5G iPhones of course will cost you more. Here are some options currently available: <https://www.cnet.com/tech/mobile/best-5g-phones/>

Before you grab a new 5G, phone just make sure that your current cell plan includes your carrier's 5G access. Many carriers' plans do, but some existing plans do not. Once 2G and 3G go away for good, I expect for most, if not all, of each carrier's plans to include 5G access.

More reading here: <https://venturebeat.com/2019/12/10/the-definitive-guide-to-5g-low-mid-and-high-band-speeds/>

What We're Reading

Law Library Staff Share Their Favorites

Here are some of our recent favorite books. Share what you're reading on our Facebook page and we'll include them in future newsletters.

Angela: *500 Miles from You* by Jenny Colgan, *The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo* by Taylor Jenkins Reid, and *Brunelleschi's Dome* by Ross King



Minnie: *The Lost Apothecary* by Sarah Penner, *The Bride Test* by Helen Hoang, and *The House on the Cerulean Sea* by T.J. Klune

Susanna: *The Last Flight* by Julie Clark, *The Plot* by Jean Hanff Korelitz, and *Firefly Lane* by Kristin Hannah

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