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Message Board Misconduct

Message boards have been the source of many legal problems. In an article for Gigalaw, titled "Message Board Misconduct and the Law," Jay Hollander discusses some of the legal issues involved including:

- What you can do when someone posts a nasty message about you or your company on an Internet message board.
- What you can do if the message defames you or contains your copyrighted material.
- And how can you identify the perpetrator even if the message was posted anonymously.

You can find the article at the Gigalaw web site.

[Click here to go there.](#)

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National Library Week is April 1-7

It's National Library Week — a great time to explore how the library can make your life easier — and richer. Check it out. . .today!



"That's How the Edible and Electronic Cookie Crumbles." Can you find out how many Ohio cases there are dealing with all kinds of cookies?



If you can, email us at: nancy@starklawlibrary.org with your name, firm/organization and the number of Ohio cases you found.

An excellent way to find the answer is to visit the library on Wednesday, April 4th, from 11 am - 12 noon when we will be demonstrating how to use several of our research products.

They are:

Loislaw.com
Anderson's Ohio Law Online
Anderson's Ohio Law on Disk
West's LawDesk

P.S. We will be serving cookies (the edible ones) and punch all day Wednesday. So even if you



**Think
Spring!**

Library

*Here is where people,
One frequently finds,
Lower their voices
And raise their minds.*

Richard Armour

FedForms.gov

FedForms.gov provides online access to the forms needed for the top 500 Government services used by the public. You can search to view forms from a selected agency sorted by title, agency or form number or do a keyword search. There are also several good links to other sources of related information. It is located at: <http://www.fedforms.gov/>.



Welcome! to our Newest Members

Jerry Coleman
Jennifer E. Curati
Lewis D. Guarnieri
Derek J. Lowry

*Have you applied for
membership yet?*

Complete a **membership application** at the law library, or call us. We'll FAX or email you one. The **first year** of membership is **free!**

Law Firm Marketing

"The LawMarketing Portal is where you learn how to **get more business**. This is your one-stop destination to find out how to promote your law firm effectively. Today is the day you stop wasting your marketing dollars and focus your budget on efforts that bring in new revenue."¹ Visit the LawMarketing Portal at: <<http://www.lawmarketing.com/>>.

Larry Bodine, operator of the LawMarketing Portal web site, is also the editor of LegalBiz Online, "which provides legal professionals with advice and commentary from recognized experts in the field of legal marketing, law practice management, the law library, law office administration, and new developments in technology of interest to lawyers."²

¹ Does Your Law Firm Need New Business?: This is where You find out how to Get It." The LawMarketing Portal. Law Firm Marketing Institute. 19 Mar. 2001. <<http://www.lawmarketing.com/allabout.cfm>>

² About LawBiz Online: Our Purpose...Our People. Law Firm Marketing Institute. 19 Mar. 2001. <http://www.martindale.com/xp/Martindale/Professional_Resources/LegalBiz_Online/About_LegalBiz_Online/about_lbo.xml>

Advanced Legal Research Course Added To Jurist

Jurist, the Legal Education Network, recently added an Advanced Legal Research course to their Internet-based materials. Hosted by the University of Pittsburgh School of Law, Jurist can be accessed on the web at: <<http://jurist.law.pitt.edu>>.

Effective Immediately!



All printing from the law library's computers is \$.15 per page.

TheLaw.net A New Legal Browser

"If you want to be able to rely on somebody else to find, organize and maintain extensive Internet links, TheLaw.net is worth a look. Also, if your practice requires that you have access to updated appellate-level case law databases in several jurisdictions, TheLaw.net provides additional valuable content through a uniform interface.

It is true that a significant portion of TheLaw.net points to Internet sites that individuals could find on their own, but the beauty is that you don't have to spend the time doing so.... It is not positioned as a direct competitor to Lexis or Westlaw, and they actually link to both services within their software... If TheLaw.net sounds like it could assist your practice or research, take it for a test drive. You might be surprised."¹

¹ Skalbeck, Roger V. "The New Legal Browser That Could... TheLaw.net Examined and Explained." [LLRX.com](http://www.llrx.com). 15 Jan. 2001. Law Library Resource Xchange, LLC. 16 Mar. 2001. <<http://www.llrx.com/features/thelawnet.htm>>

Moreover.com Rated Best Business News Aggregator

The following is an excerpt from an article that tested and rated various news aggregator web sites. The article can be found in the February, 2001 issue of "The Information Advisor."

"Today you can turn to one of several news aggregators for a fast and free search of the latest headlines. For our review, we visited eight sites and examined coverage and features. In making our evaluations, we looked for a high number of



Meet Your Library Staff

"A kind heart is a fountain of gladness, making everything in it's vicinity freshen into smiles."
Washington Irving

Carol Hinkel is the heart and soul of the library, without her the day doesn't flow as smoothly and nothing seems quite right. Everyone entering the library is greeted with a smile and a kind word. Plus, she knows exactly what we have and where it is!

quality sources particularly, in-depth business news sources; search engine capabilities; archive; and effective design and navigation.

Of the group, we found that Moreover.com, while not perfect, was our clear winner, earning 4 out of five stars. Bottom line - we found it easy to use, offering a wide selection of high-quality sources, operated fast, and returned the most relevant results.

Also doing well in the test were NorthernLight, and 1stHeadlines."¹

¹Berkman, Robert. "Moreover.com Rated Top News Aggregator by *The Information Advisor*." Law-Lib Electronic Discussion List. listproc@ucdavis.edu. (8 March 2001).

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This month in the Stark County Bar Journal:

The Beginners Section concludes the tutorial on word processing.

The Intermediate Section offers guidelines for evaluating web sites.

The Advanced Section delves into privacy policies.

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Baud: 9600

Parity: N

Data bits: 8

Stop bits: 1

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Password: dialin.

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Press enter at main SIRSI

screen.

Select Utility: Wsclient

Press BEGIN to start

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