

NEW JERSEY STATE BAR FOUNDATION

# FREE PROGRAMS AND RESOURCES

*Informed Citizens Are Better Citizens*



The New Jersey State Bar Foundation offers a wide variety of **FREE** law-related, civics and violence prevention education for New Jersey teachers and their students.

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These are just some of our services made possible by the IOLTA Fund of the Bar of New Jersey. **All are available free of charge.**

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## CIVICS

**CIVICS PUBLICATIONS** for elementary, middle and high school students (see reverse for a complete list)

**BLOGS** containing timely posts on social justice and/or civics issues for grades 5 and up, including *The Informed Citizen*, our civics blog. All blog posts include discussion questions and relevant glossary words for ready-made lesson plans that can be distributed to students

**THE LEGAL EAGLE**, a legal newspaper for elementary, middle and high school students

**RESPECT**, a diversity and inclusion newsletter for middle and high school students

**SPEAKERS BUREAU** volunteer attorney speakers cover more than 30 law-related topics

*Our Law Fair and Law Adventure Competitions help to fulfill the middle school civics requirement. See below.*

## MOCK TRIAL

**LAW FAIR COMPETITION** and programs for grades 3–6

**LAW ADVENTURE COMPETITION** and programs for grades 7 and 8

**VINCENT J. APRUZZESE HIGH SCHOOL MOCK TRIAL COMPETITION**

**MOCK TRIAL WORKSHOPS** for elementary, middle and high school teachers

**COURTROOM ART CONTEST** for high school students

## ANTI-BIAS TRAINING FOR EDUCATORS (virtual, in-person and for individual schools and districts)

**RESTORATIVE JUSTICE IN SCHOOLS** gives educators strategies to implement restorative justice practices into classrooms and schools

**BEYOND BIAS** addresses Unconscious Bias, Talking About Race, and Being an Antiracist

**UNDERSTANDING HIB CHARACTERISTICS** helps educators prevent, identify, and address HIB incidents

**THE ROLE OF THE SCHOOL CLIMATE TEAM** focuses on how to be proactive in creating a positive climate

**CONFLICT RESOLUTION** introduces methods to prevent and address conflict in the school community

**PEER MEDIATION** for educators who believe students have agency to solve their own conflicts

**SOCIAL EMOTIONAL CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT** offers SEL skills and habits for educators to incorporate into their learning environments

**HOW TO TEACH THE HOLOCAUST** for educators who want to know effective pedagogy to teach the Holocaust

**BREAKING BIAS: LESSONS FROM THE AMISTAD** focuses on teaching African American history through an anti-bias lens

**TRAUMA SENSITIVE SCHOOLS** helps educators create trauma sensitive classrooms in order to prevent violence

**VARIOUS SEL WEBINARS**

The New Jersey State Bar Foundation is a New Jersey professional development provider.

# FREE NJSBF PUBLICATIONS

The following FREE publications may be obtained by visiting the New Jersey State Bar Foundation's website at [njsbf.org](http://njsbf.org). Some publications are available in alternate formats, including Spanish, Braille and audio.

## SCHOOL-BASED PUBLICATIONS

**BEYOND THE BILL OF RIGHTS** is a 24-page newsletter that explains the 17 amendments added to the U.S. Constitution after the Bill of Rights was ratified in 1791. Geared to middle and high school students.

**BILL OF RIGHTS BULLETIN** is a newsletter packed with articles on the Bill of Rights, as well as puzzles, constitutional trivia and much more. Geared to elementary and middle school students.

**THE BILL OF RIGHTS UP CLOSE** is a 28-page newsletter that takes a deep dive into the Bill of Rights. Geared to middle and high school students.

**CONSTITUTIONALLY NEW JERSEY** is a 12-page newsletter devoted to the New Jersey Constitution. Geared to elementary, middle and high school students. **ONLINE ONLY**

**HISTORICAL DOCUMENTS OF NEW JERSEY AND THE UNITED STATES** contains the Declaration of Independence, The Articles of Confederation, as well as the U.S. and New Jersey Constitutions. **ONLINE ONLY**

**HIGH SCHOOL MOCK TRIAL WORKBOOK** contains the procedures, rules and mock trial case for the annual Vincent J. Apruzzese High School Mock Trial Competition. **ONLINE ONLY**

**LAW FAIR AND LAW ADVENTURE COMPETITION BOOKLETS** provide rules and procedures for these mock trial contests for grades three to six and seven and eight respectively. **ONLINE ONLY**

**MINI-COURT TEACHER'S GUIDE** provides two mock trial lesson plans and related classroom activities and resources. Designed to introduce age-appropriate legal concepts to children in kindergarten through second grade.

**MOCK TRIAL EXERCISE BOOKLETS** are available for grades three through six and for grades seven and eight. The booklets feature the winning Law Fair and Law Adventure original mock trial cases from previous competitions. **ONLINE ONLY**

**TURNING 18 IN NJ** covers issues relevant to becoming an adult, including establishing credit, being a good citizen and much more. **ONLINE ONLY**

**WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT PLAGIARISM** discusses different forms of plagiarism including copying out of encyclopedias and cutting and pasting information directly from the Internet.

## PUBLICATIONS FOR ADULTS

**AVOIDING NOTARIO FRAUD IN NJ** explains what notario fraud is and the laws that provide protection from it. The printed booklet contains both the English and Spanish versions.

**CONSUMER'S GUIDE TO NEW JERSEY LAW** gives an overview of 24 areas of law, including wills, divorce, auto insurance and much more.

**DISABILITY LAW: A LEGAL PRIMER (6th edition)** helps individuals with disabilities and their advocates understand their legal rights.

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE: THE LAW AND YOU (4th edition)** examines the Prevention of Domestic Violence Act and the legal process for obtaining temporary and permanent restraining orders. It also includes a domestic violence checklist to assist victims in documenting their abuse.

**EDUCATIONAL GUIDE FOR TRIAL JURORS (3rd edition)** explains the important role of jurors within our judicial system and how lawsuits are tried. The guide was produced with assistance from the Administrative Office of the Courts.

**HOW TO BECOME A LAWYER** outlines the general requirements for becoming a lawyer in New Jersey. **ONLINE ONLY**

**LAW POINTS FOR SENIOR CITIZENS (4th edition)** is published in a question-and-answer format, and outlines several topics of interest to seniors, including Medicare, Social Security and guardianship.

**RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION AND RENOVATION: A LEGAL GUIDE FOR NEW JERSEY HOMEOWNERS** helps homeowners navigate the laws surrounding home repair contracts and renovations. **ONLINE ONLY**

**STARTING AND SUCCEEDING WITH A NEW BUSINESS** examines everything an entrepreneur needs to know when starting a new business. **ONLINE ONLY**

**YOUR GUIDE TO MUNICIPAL COURT** is a 12-page pamphlet that highlights your basic rights when appearing in municipal court.