

Need a Chuckle?

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Are you stressing about the beginning of fall semester (even if it is six weeks in the future)? Have you used up your supply of legal jokes and stories and need something new to entertain your colleagues and family? Has it been a bad day and you need a little something to lighten up your mood? Try one of these legal humor websites for some comic relief.

<http://www.lawhaha.com> is Andrew McClurg's "Legal Humor Headquarters." Professor McClurg got his start with the publication of "The World's Greatest Law Review Article" (see http://www.lawhaha.com/review_2.asp) and has created a website replete with stories as well as madcap laws and cases.

<http://www.LawpSided.com> offers "Legal News with an Attitude" presented by Sean Carter, a Harvard Law grad who now is a traveling humorist. In addition to advertising his presentations, Mr. Carter has a page of wacky legal news on his website.

<http://www.legalhumour.com> touts itself as "a legal humour site for lawyers, law students, judges, court reporters, legal secretaries, clients, criminals, NHL referees . . . WITHOUT the lawyer jokes." It includes legal stories as well as cartoons.

<http://www.lawhumor.com> has an impressive list of links to articles poking fun at lawyers and the law, many of them from respected publications such as the *ABA Journal* and the *National Law Journal*. This site also features a selection of legal

parodies such as "Nerds in a Mass," sung to the tune of "Barbara Ann" about taking the bar exam; and "The Time for Cramming," sung to the tune of "The Sounds of Silence."

<http://www.stus.com> contains some pretty funny law and lawyer cartoons. One of my favorites has the snake saying to Eve in the Garden of Eden, "Relax, Eve, His zero tolerance policy is clearly unconstitutional." But then I have a quirky sense of humor.

<http://www.lawcomix.com> is the website for LawComix, a collection of legal cartoons from projects by lawyer-cartoonist Charles Fincher. Fincher's work has appeared in over a hundred law-related publications in the United States, Canada, and New Zealand.

<http://www.madkane.com/legalhumor.html> brings you the legal humor of columnist Madeleine Begun Kane.

<http://www.lectlaw.com/rub.html> is the 'Lectric Law Library's Rubber Room, where you'll find satiric commentary as well as jokes and stories about the law.

<http://www.lawlaughs.com/> is the place to catch up on all the lawyer jokes.

Finally, here is what the paralegals find funny: <http://www.paralegalgateway.com/legalhumor.html>.

