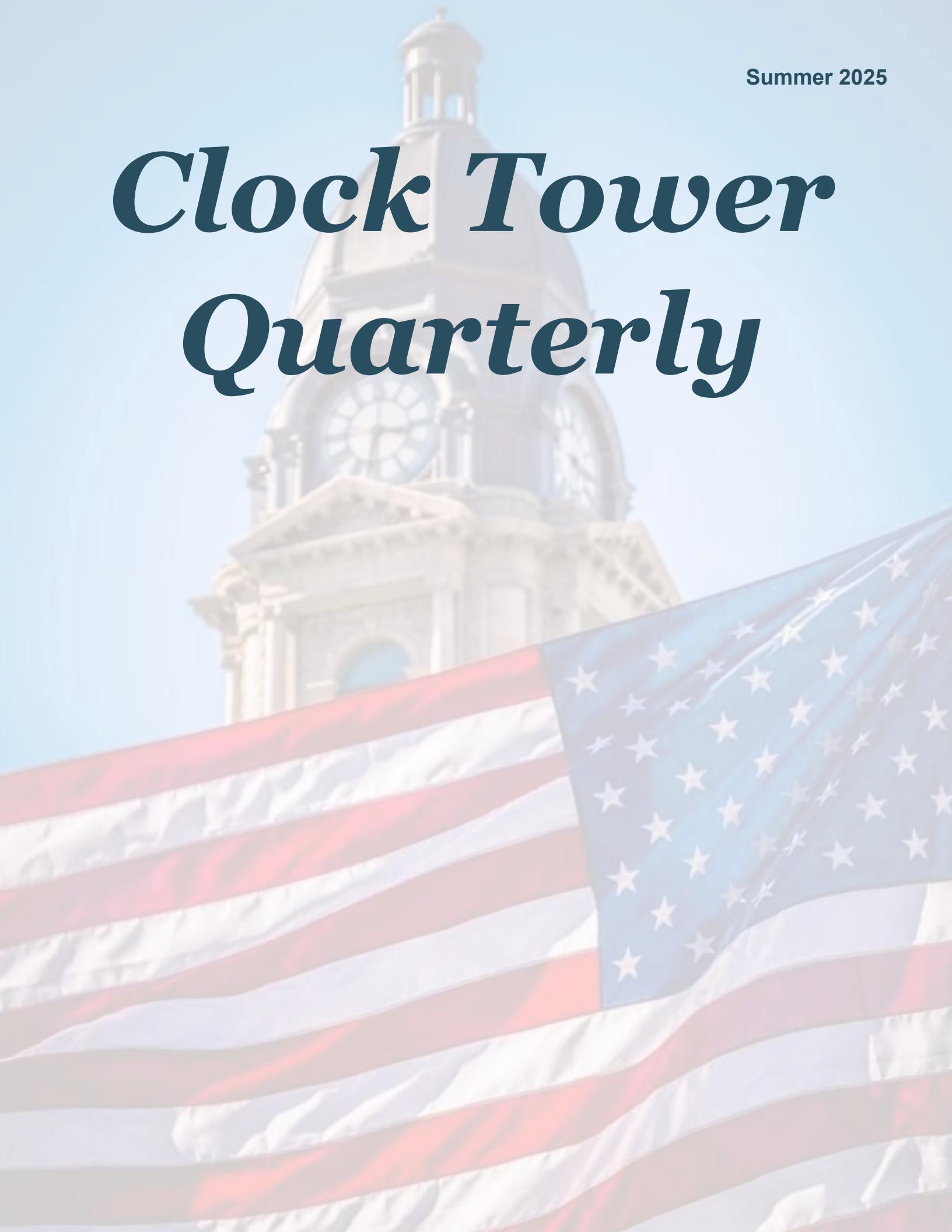


Summer 2025

# ***Clock Tower Quarterly***





## **Dell DeHay Law Library**

### **Hours:**

Monday-Friday, 8:00am-4:00pm

Note: Computers will automatically shutdown at 4pm

### **Phone Number:**

817-884-1481

### **Email:**

lawlibrary@tarrantcountytx.gov

### **Physical Address:**

100 W. Weatherford St., Suite 420  
Fort Worth, TX 76196

### **Website:**

<https://www.tarrantcountytx.gov/en/law-library.html>

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## Announcements



### Celebrate Constitution Day at the Law Library



Each year, the Dell DeHay Law Library celebrates the formation and signing of the U.S. Constitution on September 17th, 1787. This day honors the Constitution as the supreme law of the United States and the foundation of American governance.

Join us on **Wednesday, September 17th, 2025**, as we celebrate Constitution Day! Free pocket copies of the U.S. Constitution will be available while supplies last.



### Need Legal Research Help? Meet with a Law Librarian!



Dell DeHay Law Library offers an easy online sign-up to schedule a one-on-one meeting with a law librarian. This appointment allows the librarian to prepare and provide legal resources tailored to your specific case or question.

**Please note:** Law librarians can assist with legal research, but they **cannot** provide legal advice, interpretations, or public opinions.

**Schedule your appointment today at** <https://www.tarrantcountytexas.gov/content/main/en/law-library/connect-with-a-law-librarian.html>.

### Congratulations, Cara and Amanda!

Congratulations to Cara, Law Library Director, for being named Chair of the Tarrant County Bar Association People's Law School Committee and Secretary of the Tarrant County Bar Association Solo and Small Firm Section!

Congratulations to Amanda, Assistant Law Library Director, for being elected Vice President of the Dallas Association of Law Librarians!





# BOOK THE DATE



CELEBRATING THE  
LAW LIBRARY'S  
80th ANNIVERSARY

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1  
11:30 AM - 1:30 PM  
(COME AND GO)






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- **Jul. 3rd: DRO Family Law Workshop**  
Historic 1895 Courthouse  
3rd Floor (Room 326)
- **Jul. 4th: Independence Day**  
County Offices Closed
- **Jul. 17th: DRO Family Law Workshop**  
Historic 1895 Courthouse  
3rd Floor (Room 326)

## August 2025

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- **Aug. 7th: DRO Family Law Workshop**  
Historic 1895 Courthouse  
3rd Floor (Room 326)
- **Aug. 21st: DRO Family Law Workshop**  
Historic 1895 Courthouse  
3rd Floor (Room 326)

## September 2025

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- **Sept. 1st: Labor Day**  
County Offices Closed
- **Sept. 4th: DRO Family Law Workshop**  
Historic 1895 Courthouse  
3rd Floor (Room 326)
- **Sept. 17th: Celebrate Constitution Day**  
Law Library (Room 420)  
All Day Event (while supplies last)
- **Sept. 18th: DRO Family Law Workshop**  
Historic 1895 Courthouse  
3rd Floor (Room 326)

## October 2025

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- **Oct. 1st: 80th Anniversary Event**  
Law Library (Room 420)  
11:30am-1:30pm
- **Oct. 2nd: DRO Family Law Workshop**  
Historic 1895 Courthouse  
3rd Floor (Room 326)
- **Oct. 16th: DRO Family Law Workshop**  
Historic 1895 Courthouse  
3rd Floor (Room 326)

# Legal Aid Spotlight: Protective Order Unit



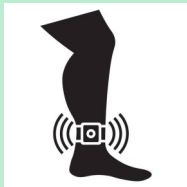
The Tarrant County Protective Order Unit provides assistance to individuals experiencing:

- Domestic violence
- Dating violence
- Sexual Assault

## To qualify for assistance:

- The applicant or abuser must reside in Tarrant County *or*
- The violent incident must have occurred in Tarrant County.

Before an attorney can review your case, you must complete the Protective Order Unit questionnaire: <https://protectiveorder.tarrantcounty.com>.



Phone: 817-884-1623

Email: [pounit@tarrantcountytx.gov](mailto:pounit@tarrantcountytx.gov)

Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 7:45am-5:00pm



## Do-It-Yourself Protective Orders

If you choose to represent yourself in court, fill-in-the-blank Protective Order forms are available at

<https://www.tarrantcountytx.gov/en/law-library/forms.html>.



# **Legal Topic of the Quarter: Suit Affecting the Parent-Child Relationship (SAPCR)**

A Suit Affecting the Parent-Child Relationship (SAPCR) is a court order for child custody and support. Child custody can be filed as its own SAPCR case or as part of a divorce proceeding.

## **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS REGARDING THE SAPCR:**

### **What happens if I don't have court orders in place for my child/children?**

Information about parental rights and duties when no court order is in place is available from Texas Law Help at <https://texaslawhelp.org/article/parents-rights-when-no-custody-orders-exist>.

### **I'm concerned about the safety of my child/children. What may I file to protect my child when there are no court orders in place?**

There are several options for addressing concerns about the safety of children with the court. Information is available from Texas Law Help at <https://texaslawhelp.org/article/safe-child-visitation-without-court-orders>.

### **What is the contact information for the Office of Attorney General (OAG)?**

The local office for the OAG is located at 2001 Beach St., Fort Worth, TX 76103-2300. Child Support & Paternity: 817-926-7197 [www.oag.state.tx.us](http://www.oag.state.tx.us).

### **Where do I file a SAPCR case in Tarrant County?**

Family law cases are filed with the District Clerk. Contact information and the physical address for the District Clerk are available at <https://www.tarrantcountytexas.gov/en/district-clerk.html>.

### **How do I make changes to my child custody and support order?**

Information for making changes with the court regarding your SAPCR case is available from Texas Law Help at <https://texaslawhelp.org/article/changing-a-custody-visitation-or-child-support-order>.

*Still have questions?* Attend the monthly Family Law Workshops hosted by the Tarrant County Domestic Relations Office. For additional information, visit: <https://www.tarrantcountytexas.gov/en/domestic-relations-office/legal-enforcement/family-law-workshop.html>.



## 8 Types of Information You Should Never Share with Artificial Intelligence (AI) Models

1. **Personal Identifiable Information:** Full name, Social Security number, mother's maiden name, date of birth, driver's license number, mailing address, passport information, phone number, medical records.
2. **Financial and Banking Information:** Credit card numbers, bank account information, pay stubs, tax information, investment account details.
3. **Login Credentials:** Usernames, passwords, or any other login information.
4. **Sensitive Company Information:** Trade secrets, customer data, product development details, financial reports.
5. **Creative Works and Intellectual Property:** Original ideas, documents, or works that you would not want exposed or copyrighted.
6. **Private Thoughts or Intimate Feelings:** Chatbots are not equipped to handle or keep private, sensitive, personal, or emotional information.
7. **Information related to illegal activities:** Never share or seek advice on anything unlawful.
8. **Medical Information:** Diagnoses, treatment plans, medication lists, allergies, and family medical history.



### *Here's why it's important to be careful:*

- **Data privacy concerns:** Chatbots often store and analyze your data to improve their models. This means information provided could be stored on a server and potentially accessed later, whether by developers or malicious actors in the event of a data breach.
- **Potential for misuse:** Sharing sensitive details like your Social Security number, bank account numbers, or login credentials could lead to **identity theft, financial fraud, or unauthorized access** to your accounts.
- **Loss of Control:** Once you provide information, you lose control over where it goes and who can see it. It could be used to **target you with ads, sold to other companies, or stolen by cyber criminals.**
- **Not as Private as You Think:** Think of engaging with chatbots like having a conversation in a public space, rather than a private, secure one.
- **AI Doesn't Have Professional Confidentiality:** General-use AI chatbots are **not bound by regulations** like HIPPA (for medical information) or financial privacy laws. ***They are machines, not trusted professionals. Use caution if considering AI to draft your court documents.***





On May 15th, Law Library employees had the privilege of participating in  
***Tippin' Our Hats to Tarrant County's Finest:***  
**Employee Appreciation Day 2025**









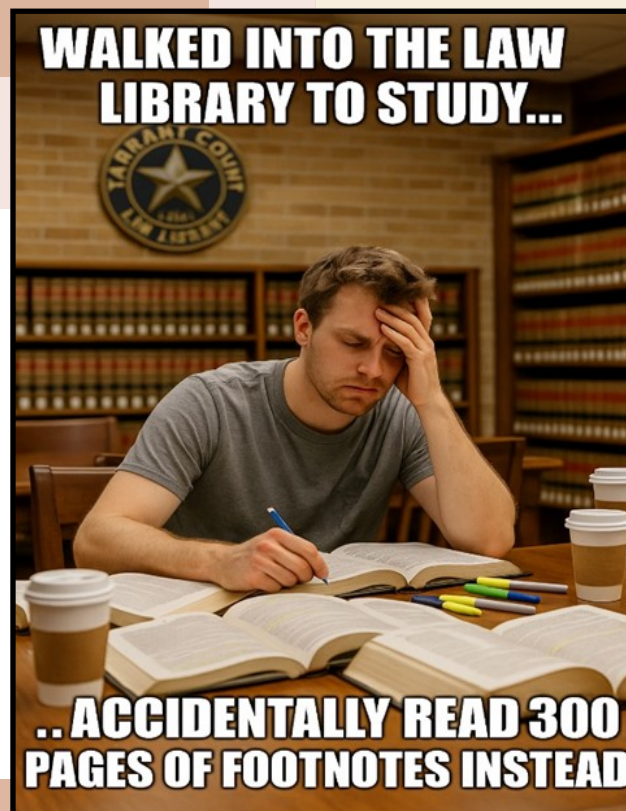
## Lighthearted Legal

**OK, YOU'RE SURE THE CASE WAS  
IN A TAN BOOK.**

**DO YOU REMEMBER ANTHING ELSE  
ABOUT IT?**

## Stay Cool with a Walk-Through Texas Courthouse Tour

Beat the Texas heat and explore historic Tarrant County Courthouse! Step inside for a self-guided tour of its cool, marble halls and grand 1895 architecture. Download your free guide here:



## Suggest A Research Topic

### Have an idea for a research guide or workshop?

The Dell DeHay Law Library is looking for topic suggestions to expand our collection of guides and classes— and we want your input. Whether it's a legal area you would like to learn more about or a resource you think others should know, now is your change to help shape content that supports your research and professionals needs.

Submit your ideas to [lawlibrary@tarrantcountytexas.gov](mailto:lawlibrary@tarrantcountytexas.gov) and let us know what topics you would like to see covered.

