

Storytelling Pathfinder

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I am the Student and Faculty Services Librarian for St. Thomas University Law Library. My position includes several different assigned tasks. One of the tasks that I perform and truly enjoy is “guest teaching” in the law classes. At the request of the instructor, I provide subject specific research instruction to their law students. One course I guest taught in this year was Storytelling and Persuasion. This law course is a seminar for 2L and 3L students interested in becoming trial lawyers. In the class, the students learn acting, public speaking, and storytelling techniques to help them with their future courtroom experiences. At the end of the course, the students are required to perform for their classmate’s sections of briefs, arguments, or transcripts from Supreme Court cases. I was asked to provide instruction to the class on how to locate this Supreme Court Case information. I also provided some instruction on how to locate resources on storytelling and public speaking. The document included in this tool kit is the handout from my instruction that I provided to the students. This handout lists the key resources I mentioned during my instruction.