

Teaching Legal Writing



**A Conference for People who Teach in or
Administer Legal Writing Programs**

Ann Arbor, MI

July 27-29, 1990

**Sponsored by the Legal Writing Institute &
Wayne State University Law School**

About this Conference

This is the fourth biennial conference on teaching legal writing. The conference is designed for people who teach legal writing and for people who administer legal writing programs. Since the first conference in 1984, the discipline has developed rapidly to include an increasing number of professionals teaching a variety of legal writing courses and an explosion of new texts. To accommodate those with varying degrees of experience in teaching legal writing, the program will include sessions on the nuts and bolts of teaching legal writing concurrent with discussions of current issues and research in the field.

The conference will be held on the campus of the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. The city possesses characteristics of both a university town with bookstores and coffee houses and a cosmopolitan city with museums, shops, and a wide variety of ethnic restaurants. Activities at the conference will include a picnic in the Law Quad on July 27th and a chance to explore Ann Arbor and its restaurants on July 28th.

Registration Information

The conference fee will include a buffet on Thursday evening, three meals on Friday, two meals each day on Saturday and Sunday, and materials to be distributed to each participant. On campus housing will be available in dormitory rooms at \$19/night for a single and \$27/night for a double. On campus hotel-style accommodations will be available at \$38-46/night for a single and \$48-55/double.

Registration and housing materials will be mailed the beginning of April.

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Conference

Friday, July 27, 1990

8:00-9:00	Breakfast
9:00-10:15	Introductions Keynote Address by Chief Judge Edward D. Re United States Court of International Trade
10:30-12:00	Designing a Legal Writing Curriculum Or Using Classroom Time Effectively
12:15-2:00	Luncheon Presentation by Professor Roy M. Mersky "Issues in Legal Writing and Research"
2:00-3:30	Teaching Students of Varying Learning Types Or Designing Effective Writing Assignments
3:45-5:00	Recruiting and Selecting Instructors Or Evaluating Student Writing Assignments
6:00	Picnic in the Law Quad

Sunday, July 29, 1990

8:00-9:00	Breakfast
9:00-10:30	Legal Writing Programs: Political Issues Or Training New Legal Writing Faculty

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Schedule

Saturday, July 28, 1990

8:00-9:00	Breakfast
9:00-10:30	Teaching Research: The Librarian and Lawyer Models Or Drafting Courses: Subject Based Model
10:45-12:00	Teaching Remedial Writing Or Using Computer Instruction Effectively
12:15-2:00	Luncheon
2:00-3:30	Status Issues for Legal Writing Faculty Or Conducting Effective Student Conferences
3:45-5:00	Advanced Legal Writing Course Designs Or Diagnosing Writing Problems
5:30-6:30	Reception Dinner in Ann Arbor

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10:45-12:00	Drafting Courses: Technique Model Or Overcoming Writer's Block
12:15-1:15	Buffet Luncheon

Major Speakers

EDWARD D. RE, Chief Judge, United States Court of International Trade, lawyer, author and educator, served in the Administrations of both President John F. Kennedy and President Lyndon B. Johnson as Assistant Secretary of State for Educational and Cultural Affairs, and as Chairman of the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States. Appointed a federal judge by President Johnson in 1968, he has served as Chief Judge since his appointment by President Carter in 1977.

Chief Judge Re has served as a member of the House of Delegates of the American Bar Association, and as Chairman of the Association's Section of International and Comparative Law. He served on the Advisory Committee to the Judicial Conference of the United States on the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure, and as Chairman of the Federal Judicial Center's Advisory Committee on Experimentation in the Law.

Among other books, he is the author of *Brief Writing and Oral Argument*.

ROY M. MERSKY is the Elton M. Hyder, Jr. and Martha Hyder Centennial Professor at the University of Texas — Austin, where he is Director of Research and has been Law Librarian since 1965. He is co-author of the widely adopted *Fundamentals of Legal Research* and *Legal Research Illustrated*. Professor Mersky has consulted widely with law schools and government and is an internationally recognized authority on librarianship and legal education. Among his many affiliations, he is President-Elect of Scribes and a member of the Advisory Board of *Integrated Legal Research*, a Mead Data publication devoted to legal research and writing issues.

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