

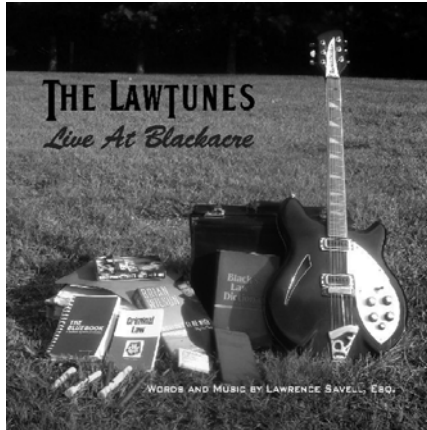
HOLIDAY SHOPPING TIPS

We assume that thoughtful readers searching for holiday gifts for family members, friends, and colleagues with an interest in the law will think first of a subscription to the *Green Bag*. After that, the field opens up. Here are a few suggestions for the season, all of which are available at Amazon.com.

Music

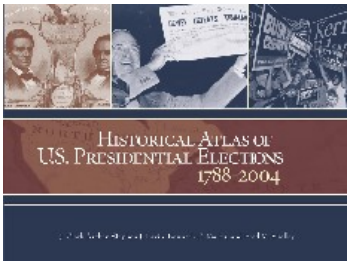
The latest CD from The Lawtunes, *The Lawtunes Live at Blackacre*. “Little Blackbook” is one of our favorites from this disk:

*My little black book let me down
In my life no one’s around
Made the circuit of the bars
Under multiple lodestars
Then I saw you on my shelf
Wondered could you be of help
You seem versed in all the rules
Came from four top-shelf schools.
All the courts defer to you
Even law professors too
So I state herein my plea . . .*

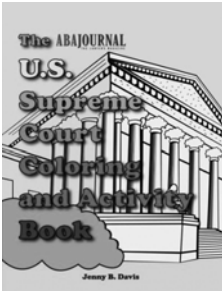


Conversation

For those who like to put current events in the context of the currents of history, this is the best coffee table decoration for the last twelve months of the current cycle of the perpetual American presidential election “year”: the dangerously distracting *Historical Atlas of U.S. Presidential Elections, 1788-2004* (CQ 2006), by J. Clark Archer, Stephen J. Lavin, Kenneth C. Martis, and Fred M. Shelley.



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Art

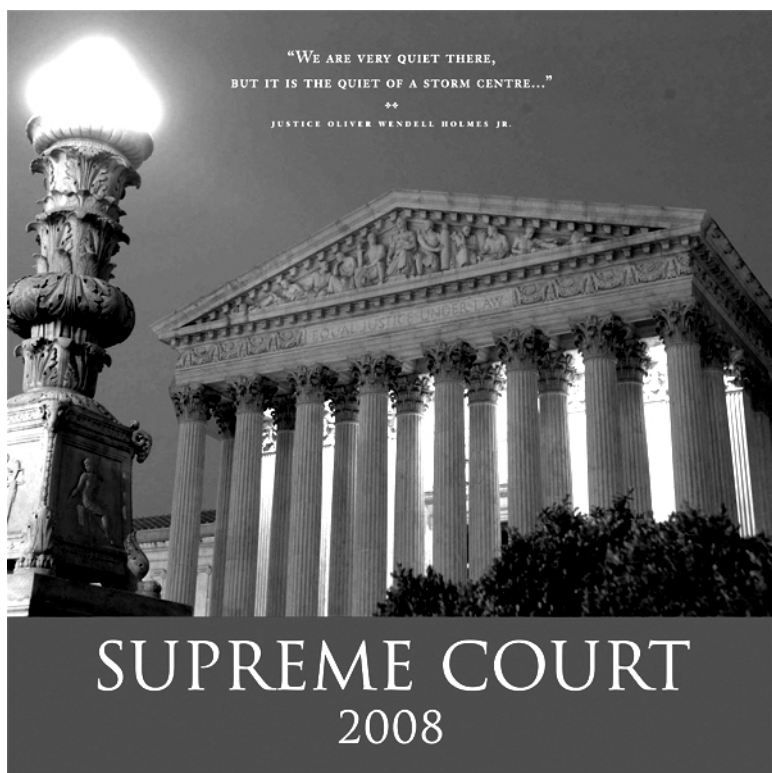
Jenny Davis's *U.S. Supreme Court Coloring and Activity Book*, featuring 20 members of the Court, from John Jay to Stephen Breyer; a robe maze; a dot-to-dot gavel; and "Draw Yourself as a Justice." Believe us, it's good for active colorers of all ages. Try it yourself:



Louis Dembitz Brandeis

Dates on court: 1916-1939

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History

Tony Mauro's 2008 Supreme Court calendar. We've told you about this one before. See *Supreme Court Calendars*, 10 GREEN BAG 2D 417 & inside front cover (2007).

Literature

Any of the fine books nominated for recognition as "exemplary legal writing" in the forthcoming *Green Bag Almanac & Reader 2008* (the *Almanac's* board of advisers is voting to select the finalists as this issue of the *Bag* goes to press):

G. Edward White, *Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr.* (Oxford 2006)

Jeffrey Toobin, *The Nine: Inside the Secret World of the Supreme Court* (Doubleday 2007)

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Stuart Taylor & KC Johnson, *Until Proven Innocent: Political Correctness and the Shameful Injustices of the Duke Lacrosse Rape Case* (Dunne 2007)

Will Nathan, *Book of Business* (Philadelphian 2006)

John Grisham, *The Innocent Man: Murder and Injustice in a Small Town* (Doubleday 2006)

Jan Crawford Greenburg, *Supreme Conflict: The Inside Story of the Struggle for Control of the United States Supreme Court* (Penguin 2007)

Jack L. Goldsmith, *The Terror Presidency: Law and Judgment Inside the Bush Administration* (Norton 2007)

Robert A. Ferguson, *The Trial in American Life* (Chicago 2007)

Richard H. Fallon, Jr., *Strict Judicial Scrutiny*, 54 *UCLA L. Rev.* 1267 (2007)

Education

And finally, for the aspiring lawyer, perhaps *Law School in a Box* – “All the Prestige for a Fraction of the Price.” We especially enjoyed the flash cards.

