

OSA: library only for lawyers

A preliminary analysis from the Office of Student Advocacy (OSA) concerning Law Dean Chapin Clark's decision to limit law library usage to law school students, indicates his ruling was valid.

Early last month, Clark closed the library to non-law students, citing stolen coffee money, excess noise and messes left in classrooms as the basis for the closure. The library is still open to non-law students, but only those engaged in research with materials obtainable at the law library.

ASUO Pres. Gary Feldman called the decision unfair and asked for the OSA report. That report states Clark clearly has the authority, as delegated by the State Board of Higher Education and University Pres. William Boyd, to determine what use the facility should have.

The report continues that any appeal on that decision will have to go to Boyd or to the state board. One challenge to Clark's policy, however, may be that it was not promulgated under the administrative procedure act.

Also, persons who feel their rights have been revoked, could instigate a contested case procedure. OSA Director Don Chalmers says the first step would be to take a complaint to Boyd and if he refuses to act, to then take it to the state board.

Chalmers says course of action might be to work with Clark to expand his ruling. He says a "more reasonable policy" might be enacted so "any student engaged in legitimate use of the law library will be allowed to stay."

"We're trying to find some way that serious students can have a space with specialty documents available to them," says Chalmers. Yet, he says "it seems there is at least a rational basis that it (the library) not be a general study hall."

The objective is to "establish a regulation that will accomplish Clark's purpose without excluding all undergraduates from the law school premises," says Chalmers.

The birds and the bears...

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