

May's Favorite Thing!!!

Obviously we need to change the title of this feature to Favorite Things since we can't seem to choose just one thing to be our favorite. It's not that we're fickle. We are simply blessed with a plethora of favorites.

Favorite Thing 1:

Our first favorite thing is proffered by ASTC member Laura Stanford Rochelois of By Design Legal Graphics

(<http://www.bydesignlegal.com/>).

Laura says: "I like lots of things about justia.com, especially the docket search. Free PACER meta-search with meaningful first level search results (Caption, Filing date, etc). And once you find the case you're looking for, links out to PACER for additional case information.

<http://dockets.justia.com/>

A nice time-saver if you need to research a federal case and don't already know the venue."



Favorite Thing 2:

And second a favorite thing who is really a favorite person of *TJE* Editor Rita Handrich

(<http://www.keenetrial.com/>).

Ken Pope has been well-known in psychology circles for a long time with a focus on ethics, dual roles, torture victims/torture ethics and psychologists testifying in court.

But this month he is a favorite because of two websites he painstakingly maintains and constantly updates--one on issues of interest to psychologists, expert witnesses and attorneys and a second of interest to all the same people but with a specific focus on issues related to disability.

Website 1: <http://kspope.com/> (focusing on therapy, ethics, malpractice, forensics, critical thinking and a few other things) and

Website 2: <http://kpoppe.com/> (focusing on disability, disability rights and ethics and full of resources on disability). Take a few minutes to click through some of the links on Ken's pages. He'll be your favorite too.

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Editorial Exuberations

Spring is in full swing when it seems like the new calendars just went up on the wall. Our May issue is the biggest we've assembled yet both in size and in the range of ideas/perspectives incorporated. Thanks to your reading and suggestions we are continuing to evolve and expand. *The Jury Expert* is also on [Twitter](#) with daily links relevant to litigation and a few fun things to mull over your morning libations. Keep the feedback, ideas, and suggestions coming!

We are pleased to have a lengthy feature on the controversy about Generation Y and the prevalence of narcissism. We are publishing this issue on the heels of a heated debate in the blawgosphere on Generation Y in the legal workplace (see a summary of that controversy [here](#)). In a departure from our usual style of one author and several trial consultants reacting to the piece--in this case we have two articles (one saying narcissism is on the rise in our young people and the other begging to differ). Three experienced trial consultants with special interests in generational issues provide feedback on the articles and how this controversy relates to litigation advocacy and then both authors respond. This feature doesn't resolve the differences of opinion between the researchers but we hope it gives you a sense of how to use (or not use) generation and/or age in jury selection, case sequencing and narrative.

Our second academic feature is one of which we can all be proud. It's an exploration of just how the process of deliberating on a jury makes us better people and better citizens. How nice to hear something uplifting about the jury process for a change! Two past Presidents of the American Society of Trial Consultants respond to this article (ten years in the making) and then the authors follow-up with additional thoughts.

In addition, we have pieces on a wide range of issues from trial consultants: deception, juror stress, technology in high profile trials, questioning the child witness, using a simple mnemonic to aid you in organization in voir dire, and how to prepare expert witnesses. And of course, our favorite thing (two again this issue). It's a lot to ponder. Come back and visit the website and read to your hearts content! That's why we're here. Use us. --[Rita R. Handrich, PhD](#)



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