



American Psychology-Law Society

APA DIVISION 41

**Welcome to the May 2024  
American Psychology-Law Society (AP-LS) Newsletter**

Our monthly Newsletter provides information about activities, upcoming events, and resources to connect the psychology-law community.

AP-LS aspires to excel as a valuable, effective, and influential organization advancing the science of psychology-law and the translation of psychology-law knowledge into practice and policy.



**Community Standards Q&A Session at AP-LS 2024**

AP-LS's Community Standards Policy is expected to take effect in 2025. Information about the background and development of this policy was presented during the AP-LS 2024 Conference, in an Overview and Q&A session on Friday, March 22.

This Policy was developed following the PDW Committee's 2020 Conference Climate Survey. According to the results (available [here](#)), 351 respondents completed the survey, with 9.6% reporting discrimination or harassment at formal conference events and 7.0% reporting discrimination or harassment at unofficial events. Respondents also reported hearing offensive remarks (16.8%), hearing sexist remarks (14.8%), being stared or leered at in a way that caused them discomfort (11.3%), and being touched in a way that made them uncomfortable (2.5%). Also reported were unwelcoming behaviors that included insults/condescension (24.7%), deliberate

exclusion (12.4%), and intimidation or bullying (5.3%). Despite considering it important that the AP-LS conference is inclusive ( $M = 8.13$  on a 1 to 9 scale), only 20.7% reported knowing whom to contact to report discrimination or harassment. Approximately 4 in 5 respondents identified as a top priority for AP-LS the implementation of a clear process for reporting (81.4%) and for investigating (80.4%) acts of discrimination or harassment at a conference (Gottfried, 2020; Hunt, 2024). Click [HERE](#) to read more about the community standards Q&A.

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## Register now to join Division 41 at APA 2024!



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We are excited to announce that we will have 11 excellent sessions at APA this year - a Symposium on Bias in the Legal System, 3 Critical Conversations about forensic practice or teaching, and 3 Skill Building Sessions for forensic practice and family court. There is also a session on the AP-LS Scientific Review Paper on Violence and Mental Illness, in addition to a screening of the PBS Frontline documentary “Fractured” about the competency crisis. There will also be over 40 posters, we will host a social hour, and our business meeting.

Register by May 31st to receive the best rate. For travel information and more, visit [convention.apa.org](https://convention.apa.org)

Hope to see you there! If you have any questions, please contact one of the co-chairs for Division 41:

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## In Memoriam Donald N. Bersoff (1939-2024)

Donald N. Bersoff, Ph.D, J.D., who provided a foundational influence on the development of American law-psychology and served as the 2013 president of the American Psychological Association, died on March 26, 2024.

Don had a long and meaningful career as a psychologist and a lawyer. These were not separate for him. As well as anyone we have known, he succeeded in integrating the two in his scholarship, teaching, practice, and service. His interests in legal rights such as privacy and access, and in ethical dilemmas in the practice of psychology, served as bridges connecting the two fields. He passed along this valuable perspective to generations of students and colleagues, who gained a clearer appreciation for the application of ethics, a greater understanding of how scientific research can inform the law, and an enhanced awareness of how our shared humanity can (and should) affect our values and our lives. Click [HERE](#) to read more.

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## Upcoming Workshops Offered by APA

Announcing the New Peer Review Framework for Research Project Grant and Fellowship Applications Submitted to the NIH

May 8, 2024 | 1:00-2:00 PM ET: [Learn more and register](#)

A Population Health Approach to Youth Substance Use Disorder Prevention

May 9, 2024 | 10:00-11:00 AM ET: [Learn more and register](#)

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## [Call for comment: NBI 11B](#)

APA Member and public comment is sought on a proposed resolution titled, Individual, Collective, and Intergenerational Trauma Recovery: Considering the Restorative Roles of Restitution and Reparations. The proposed resolution urges APA to advocate for trauma survivors in their pursuit of restitution and reparation efforts. The resolution urges APA to support trauma survivors' restitution efforts and disseminate related psychological research. Deadline: **May 3, 2024**. [Read More...](#)

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## [Call for public comments: Proposed revision of Guidelines for the Practice of Telepsychology](#)

The Working Group to Revise the Guidelines for the Practice of Telepsychology (TP-PPG) in consultation with the Board of Professional Affairs (BPA) and Committee on Professional Practice and Standards (COPPS), seek member and public comments on the revision of Guidelines for the Professional Practice of Telepsychology (APA, 2013). Deadline for comments (60 day public comment period): **May 20, 2024**. [Read More...](#)

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## Research Briefs

Take a look at the latest research briefs for short summaries of the latest articles relevant to psychology-law.

Read the research briefs [HERE](#).

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## Call for Book Proposals

The American Psychology-Law Society invites proposals for new titles in its book series, which is now published by [APA Books](#). We publish authored and edited volumes on current issues at the intersection of psychology and law. Books are typically a state of the science synthesis of a body of existing research with implications for practice and/or policy. Authors and editors should have a substantial and recent track record of publication and/or practice in psychology or law, and at least one should hold a doctorate in psychology or closely related behavioral science. If you have a proposal for a new book in the series or you would simply like more information, reach out to a member of the editorial team. We would be happy to tell you more.

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