

THE LEGAL SCHOLAR COLLOQUIUM:

What is Scholarly Legal Writing?

An Introduction to Different Perspectives (on US Qualified Immunity Doctrine)

How do you write a law article? It turns out there is no one 'right way'. Legal problems can be analysed from different angles. Law journals are full of diverse perspectives on the law.

This lunchtime seminar provides an introduction to the different types of legal scholarship that can be found in law journals. It illustrates using scholarship on the American judicial doctrine of qualified immunity, which shields government officials from legal liability for 'constitutional torts'. Qualified immunity can be analysed from the perspective of doctrine, policy, comparative law, history, economics, empirics, sociology, and philosophy. One issue; many perspectives.

If you are interested in legal writing and publishing, or just in learning about US qualified immunity doctrine, come along to hear, discuss and ask questions.

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Assistant Professor Samuel Beswick is a private law scholar with primary research interests in the areas of torts, unjust enrichment, limitations, remedies, and privacy. His current research concerns the temporal scope of judicial changes in the law. Dr. Beswick has published his research in leading common law journals, and has presented at workshops and conferences across North

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