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**Mightier Than the Sword** American Bar Association

This book provides a comprehensive guide to the essential rules of legal writing. Unlike most style or grammar guides, it focuses on the special needs of legal writers, answering a wide spectrum of questions about grammar and style -- both rules and exceptions. It also gives detailed, authoritative advice on punctuation, capitalization, spelling, footnotes, and citations, with illustrations in legal context. Designed for law students, law professors, practicing lawyers, and judges, the work emphasizes the ways in which legal writing differs from other styles of technical writing. Its how-to sections deal with editing and proofreading, numbers and symbols, and overall document design. Features: \* Cautions on use of 500 stuffy phrases and needless legalisms, along with their everyday English translations \* Details rules for 800 words with required prepositions in certain contexts \* Explains the correct usage of more than 1,000 words that are often troublesome to legal writers \* Gives tips on preparing briefs and other court documents, opinion letters and demand letters, research memos, and contracts \* Provides model documents of all types of legal documents and pleadings Reviews 200 terms of art that take on new meanings in legal contexts

[Writing for Litigation](#) Aspen Publishing

“No writer, beginning or experienced, will want to be without this book.” —Jean Auel, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *The Clan of the Cave Bear* and the *Earth’s Children* series A career as a writer involves much more than the act of writing itself. In *The Law (in Plain English) for Writers*, Fifth Edition, Leonard DuBoff and Sarah Tugman proffer invaluable advice for the myriad legal and business facets of being a writer. Readers will discover how to succeed in every area affecting a writer’s livelihood, such as submissions, dealing with agents, taxes, permissions, royalties, alternatives to mainstream publishers, copyright, book and magazine contracts, and how to prevent disputes. This newly revised edition, keeping up with the changing legal landscape, contains information on a variety of legal issues pertinent to writers of all types, including: Updated coverage on issues such as how to avoid trouble posed by the interplay between the right to free speech, privacy, and defamation law Changes in the copyright law, procedures, and recent cases on copyright protection and infringement Updated and revised chapters on the business of writing New and updated Internet resources For writers of all levels, this comprehensive resource is the key to turning a writing career into a sustainable livelihood.

*Writing to Win* Crown

Employing a hands-on, structured approach, the author leads the reader through carefully crafted exercises that allow readers to understand and make practical use of AngloAmerican legal terminology. The layered sequence of topics and exercises leads from the simplest use of legal terminology in conversation to mastery of advanced legal terminology and increasingly complex writing.

**Legal Writing in Plain English, Third Edition** University of Chicago Press

Legal Writing in Plain English is a manual written for legal and non-legal audiences. This manual provides a wealth of material useful for understanding and navigating National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) cases and other types of cases. The NLRB Style Guide provides guidance in drafting and writing in the context of working with the NLRB.

[Law School In Plain English](#) Oxford University Press

The leading guide to clear writing!—StartFragment —and clear thinking!—StartFragment —in the legal profession for more than two decades, now newly updated. Admirably clear, concise, down-to-earth, and powerful—all too often, legal writing embodies none of these qualities. Its reputation for obscurity and needless legalese is widespread. Since 2001, Bryan A. Garner’s Legal Writing in Plain English has helped address this problem by providing lawyers, judges, paralegals, law students, and legal scholars with sound advice and practical tools for improving their written work. Now the leading guide to clear writing in the field, this indispensable volume encourages legal writers to challenge conventions and offers valuable insights into the writing process: how to organize ideas, create and refine prose, and improve editing skills. Accessible and witty, Legal Writing in Plain English draws on real-life writing samples that Garner has gathered through decades of teaching experience. Trenchant advice covers all types of legal materials, from analytical and persuasive writing to legal drafting, and the book’s principles are reinforced by sets of basic, intermediate, and advanced exercises in each section. For this third edition, Garner has retained the structure of the previous versions, with updates and new material throughout. There are new sections on making your writing vivid and concrete and on using graphics to enhance your argument. The coverage and examples of key topics such as achieving parallelism, avoiding legalese, writing effective openers and summaries, and weaving quotations into your text have also been expanded. And the sample legal documents and exercises have been updated, while newly added checklists provide quick summaries of each section. Altogether, this new edition will be the most useful yet for legal professionals and students seeking to improve their prose.

**The Winning Brief: 100 Tips for Persuasive Briefing in Trial and Appellate Courts** University of Chicago Press

The premise of the book is simple: to teach law students how to be law students. So much time is lost in law school with students trying to learn how to be a law student. So many students spend too much time learning how to take notes, prepare for class, case brief, outline, prepare for finals and so much more. No one will teach them these things yet mastery of these things is pivotal to the student’s success in law school. This causes the student stress, leads to being unproductive, and it can create an unbalanced lifestyle. Law School in Plain English is the solution to these problems. With its uncompromising plainness and easy to read style, the book covers all aspects of what it means to be a law student, how to succeed, and how to improve quality of life while in law school.

**Legal Writing in Plain English** Lulu.com

Provides 1) theory about plain language for legal writers, 2) models of legal documents such as wills, laws, agreements, etc, and 3) practice exercises on language.

*A Dictionary of Modern Legal Usage* Primedia E-launch LLC

Amoral, cunning, ruthless, and instructive, this multi-million-copy New York Times bestseller is the definitive manual for anyone interested in gaining, observing, or defending against ultimate control – from the author of *The Laws of Human Nature*. In the book that *People* magazine proclaimed “beguiling” and “fascinating,” Robert Greene and Joost Elffers have distilled three thousand years of the history of power into 48 essential laws by drawing from the philosophies of Machiavelli, Sun Tzu, and Carl Von Clausewitz and also from the lives of figures ranging from Henry Kissinger to P.T. Barnum. Some laws teach the need for prudence (“Law 1: Never Outshine the Master”), others teach the value of confidence (“Law 28: Enter Action with Boldness”), and many recommend absolute self-preservation (“Law 15: Crush Your Enemy Totally”). Every law, though, has one thing in common: an interest in total domination. In a bold and arresting two-color package, *The 48 Laws of Power* is ideal whether your aim is conquest, self-defense, or simply to understand the rules of the game.

[Seeing Through Legalese](#) Oxford University Press

This book looks at the forces that have made traditional legal language what it is today and suggests some reasons why the law needs plain English. It also shows why most of its peculiarities are unnecessary.

[Politics and the English Language](#) Createspace Independent Publishing Platform

Focusing on the argumentative, narrative, and descriptive style found in legal briefs and judicial opinions, this text should be a thought provoking examination of effective argumentation in law.

**Point Made** Penguin

This easy-to-use primer lays out 135 principles of clear writing, dictation, tone, grammar, syntax, organization, and format. Filled with before-and-after examples and illustrations from the legal world, the book is both a welcome refresher for the practicing lawyer and an indispensable reference for anyone in the legal profession.

**The Redbook** Thomson Carswell

“This easy-to-follow guide is useful both as a general course of instruction and as a targeted aid in solving particular legal writing problems.”

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use of legal documents in electronic formats. His book remains the standard guide for producing the jargon-free language that clients demand and courts reward. “Those who are willing to approach the book systematically and to complete the exercises will see dramatic improvements in their writing.” —Law Library Journal

**The 48 Laws of Power** American Bar Association

Classic Books Library presents this brand new edition of “The Federalist Papers”, a collection of separate essays and articles compiled in 1788 by Alexander Hamilton. Following the United States Declaration of Independence in 1776, the governing doctrines and policies of the States lacked cohesion. “The Federalist”, as it was previously known, was constructed by American statesman Alexander Hamilton, and was intended to catalyze the ratification of the United States Constitution. Hamilton recruited fellow statesmen James Madison Jr., and John Jay to write papers for the compendium, and the three are known as some of the Founding Fathers of the United States. Alexander Hamilton (c. 1755–1804) was an American lawyer, journalist and highly influential government official. He also served as a Senior Officer in the Army between 1799–1800 and founded the Federalist Party, the system that governed the nation’s finances. His contributions to the Constitution and leadership made a significant and lasting impact on the early development of the nation of the United States.

**Legal Writing Nerd** West Academic Publishing

From a master teacher and writer, a fully revised and updated edition of the results-oriented approach to legal writing that is clear, that persuades—and that WINS. More than almost any profession, the law has a deserved reputation for opaque, jargon-clogged writing. Yet forceful writing is one of the most potent weapons of legal advocacy. In this new edition of *Writing to Win*, Steven D. Stark, a former lecturer on law at Harvard Law School, who has inspired thousands of aspiring and practicing lawyers, applies the universal principles of powerful, vigorous prose to the job of making a legal case—and winning it. *Writing to Win* focuses on the writing of lawyers, not judges, and includes dozens of examples of effective (and ineffective) real-life legal writing—as well as compelling models drawn from advertising, journalism, and fiction. It deals with the challenges lawyers face in writing, from organization to strengthening and editing prose; offers incisive ways of improving arguments; addresses litigation and technical writing in all its forms; and covers the writing attorneys must perform in their daily practice, from email memos to briefs and contracts. Each chapter opens with a succinct set of rules for easy reference. With new sections on client communication and drafting affidavits, as well as updated material throughout, *Writing to Win* is the most practical and efficacious legal-writing manual available.

**The Legal Writer** Oxford University Press, USA

From legal expert and veteran author Bryan Garner comes a unique, intimate, and compelling memoir of his friendship with the late Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia. For almost thirty years, Antonin Scalia was arguably the most influential and controversial Justice on the United States Supreme Court. His dynamic and witty writing devoted to the Constitution has influenced an entire generation of judges. Based on his reputation for using scathing language to criticize liberal court decisions, many people presumed Scalia to be gruff and irascible. But to those who knew him as “Nino,” he was characterized by his warmth, charm, devotion, fierce intelligence, and loyalty. Bryan Garner’s friendship with Justice Scalia was instigated by celebrated writer David Foster Wallace and strengthened over their shared love of language. Despite their differing viewpoints on everything from gun control to the use of contractions, their literary and personal relationship flourished. Justice Scalia even officiated at Garner’s wedding. In this humorous, touching, and surprisingly action-packed memoir, Garner gives a firsthand insight into the mind, habits, and faith of one of the most famous and misunderstood judges in the world.

[Legal Writing Exercises](#) University of Chicago Press

Wayne Schiess’s monthly column on legal writing has appeared in *Austin Lawyer* magazine for more than ten years. Now, *Legal-Writing Nerd* collects the best of those columns and presents them in a practical, useful book that’s bound to raise your writing IQ. Lawyers, judges, paralegals, and law students will find dozens of ways to improve their legal writing in this informative and plainly written book.

[Elements of Legal Writing](#) Simon and Schuster

Rev. ed. of: *A dictionary of modern legal usage* / Bryan A. Garner. 2nd ed. 1995.

[The Federalist Papers](#) Read Books Ltd

Professor Kimble names Michele Asprey’s book *Plain Language for Lawyers* as one of the top publications in the history of plain language. In *Writing for Dollars, Writing to Please - The Case for Plain Language in Business, Government, and Law* - Carolina Academic Press, Durham, North Carolina, Professor Kimble lists Michele Asprey’s book as number 7 on his list of the top publications - quite an accolade. It appears alongside David Mellinkoff’s book *The Language of the Law* (from 1963), Richard Wydick’s book *Plain English for Lawyers* (from 1979), Rudolph Flesch’s work, and Ernest Gowers’s *The Complete Plain Words*, among others. The idea that lawyers can - and should - write in plain language is not new. There have always been plain language lawyers. There just aren’t enough of them. The plain language movement in Australia has been with us for decades. Plain language has been taught in law schools in Australia for almost 20 years. But still too many lawyers don’t write in language that clients, and other readers, can understand. *Plain Language for Lawyers* can help. Over the 18 years it has been in print and it has established itself in Australia and overseas as a comprehensive, entertaining and enormously useful text. It includes international references, contains practical advice, and can be read and enjoyed by anyone who is interested in plain language in the law. The 4th edition has been completely revised and updated. All cases, legislation and text references have been updated to 2009. Recent international developments in plain language are included. Chapter 12, on the principles of legal interpretation, has been completely rewritten to cover the latest case law. Chapter 13, the plain language vocabulary, has been extended. Chapter 14, on email and the internet, has been updated, and includes the latest on defamation law. Chapter 15 and 16, which cover document design for both print and the computer screen, have both been revised to include the latest research findings on typography, and the way we read and comprehend on-line material. The global financial crisis has shown how complex legal and financial documents can conceal dangers for readers who don’t understand the legal risks of modern financial products. Now, more than ever, it is time for *Plain Language for Lawyers*. An expanded version of Chapter 4 - *Plain Language Around the World* is available in electronic format, for purchase as a stand-alone 100 page work. Contact us to purchase a digital version of this chapter.

**Plain Language Legal Writing** Renard Press Ltd

Like nothing else, writing is an essential skill for every lawyer. This handy, easy-to approach guide will strengthen any lawyers writing skills through a series of specialized exercises. You'll learn to write more concise, powerful sentences; eliminate un-needed words; and structure and combine sentences and paragraphs to create clear and persuasive documents, letters, and more. It's perfect for lawyers and associates, even non-lawyers, anyone looking for an effective way to improve their writing skills.

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Garner on Language and Writing HarperCollins Publishers

Since the 1987 appearance of A Dictionary of Modern Legal Usage, Bryan A. Garner has proved to be a versatile and prolific writer on legal-linguistic subjects. This collection of his essays shows both profound scholarship and sharp wit. The essays cover subjects as wide-ranging as learning to write, style, persuasion, contractual and legislative drafting, grammar, lexicography, writing in law school, writing in law practice, judicial writing, and all the literature relating to these diverse subjects.