Pre-Law Reading List (rev. 9/13)
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Law School Admission and the Law School Experience

• THE ABA-LSAC OFFICIAL GUIDE TO ABA-APPROVED LAW SCHOOLS (annual),
• GAIL ANN SCHLACHTER & R. DAVID WEBER, HOW TO PAY FOR YOUR DEGREE IN LAW (Reference Service Press, triennial).
• ROBERT H. MILLER, LAW SCHOOL CONFIDENTIAL: A COMPLETE GUIDE TO THE LAW SCHOOL EXPERIENCE: BY
  STUDENTS, FOR STUDENTS (St. Martin’s Griffin, 3d ed. rev. 2011).
• RICHARD MICHAEL FISCHL & JEREMY PAUL, GETTING TO MAYBE: HOW TO EXCEL ON LAW SCHOOL EXAMS
  (Carolina Academic Press, 1999).

The Study and Philosophy of Law (choose one):

• JAY M. FEINMAN, LAW 101: EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT AMERICAN LAW (Oxford University Press, 3d ed. 2010).
• FREDERICK SCHAUER, THINKING LIKE A LAWYER: A NEW INTRODUCTION TO LEGAL REASONING (Harvard University Press, 2012).

How to Think Critically and Effectively (choose one):

• DANIEL KAHNEMAN, THINKING, FAST AND SLOW (Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2013).
• MICHAEL LEWIS, MONEYBALL: THE ART OF WINNING AN UNFAIR GAME (Norton, 2004).
• ERIC RIES, THE LEAN STARTUP: HOW TODAY’S ENTREPRENEURS USE CONTINUOUS INNOVATION TO CREATE
  RADICALLY SUCCESSFUL BUSINESSES (Viking, 2011).

Inspiring Lawyers and Cases (choose one):

• ANTHONY LEWIS, GIDEON’S TRUMPET (Vintage, 1989).
• WESLEY J. SMITH, FIGHTING FOR PUBLIC JUSTICE: CASES AND TRIAL LAWYERS THAT MADE A DIFFERENCE (Trial
• SONIA SOTOMAYOR, MY BELOVED WORLD (Knopf, 2013).
Careers in Law and Technological Change in the Profession (choose one):


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