

## **INTRODUCTION TO LAW FINDING THE LAW**

Even though we may not stop to think about it, the law surrounds us every day. When you drive to school, you obey the traffic laws. You license your dog and keep him on a leash when you go to the park. Your paycheck is diminished due to income taxes. The law affects many aspects of our lives. The body of law which influences our lives is ever changing. As such, the law is always in the news with new court decisions, new laws passed, crimes being committed and cases going to trial. Every day the newspapers across the United States print thousands of articles relating to law. Your job is to find them!

As part of this assignment, you will be divided into groups. Each group will be given a newspaper. Your job is to try to find an article relating to as many of the topics listed below as you can. You must be able to point out the article and explain how it relates to the legal topic listed below. Your groups will be given 10 minutes to try to identify as many articles as possible related to the topics. After 15 minutes, we will discuss your finding with the class. **GOOD LUCK!**

### **SCAVENGER LIST**

- An article involving Criminal Law.
- An article involving Family Law.
- An article involving Freedom of Speech.
- An article involving Freedom of Religion.
- An article involving Right to Privacy.
- An article involving a Constitutional Issue.
- A legal Notice.
- An article involving a new law or a change to an old law.
- An article involving judicial review by a court of appeals.