

Newsletter

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IMPORTANT CASES THIS WEEK



Kennedy v. Bremerton



Kentucky v. King



Enmund v. Florida

Kennedy v. Bremerton School District

The protections of religious exercise.



Photo from NBC News

Kennedy, a high school football coach, prayed with students both before and after games. The school district prohibited the prayer to avoid violating the

Establishment Clause. The coach sued the District under the First Amendment and Title VII. The Court ruled in Kennedy's favor as the District's restrictions on his actions burdened his right to free exercise. The District also failed to prove that its prayer restrictions were narrowly tailored to serve a compelling purpose. Read the full decision [here](#).

Kentucky v. King

Defining emergency situations that warrant legal search and seizure.

After pursuing King for selling crack to an undercover informant, police officers lost sight of King but assumed that he went into an apartment that smelled like marijuana. When the officers heard movement indicating evidence was being destroyed, they forced their way in. King argued that this evidence was obtained illegally. The Court ultimately held that the exclusionary rule, which forbids considering evidence obtained illegally, did not apply here. The exigency circumstance rule was applicable because the police did not "create the exigency by engaging or threatening to engage in conduct that violated the Fourth Amendment." Read the full decision [here](#).

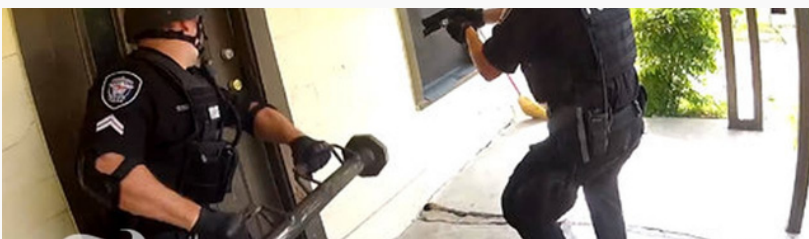


Photo from the New York Times

Enmund v. Florida

Limitations on the use of the death penalty.

Enmund, a getaway car driver, was convicted of first-degree murder and robbery and sentenced to death despite never actively participating in killing or robbing the victims. The Supreme Court reversed and remanded his sentence and ruled that applying the death penalty to an aider and abettor who did not kill, attempt, or intend to kill violates the Eighth Amendment. Read the full decision [here](#).

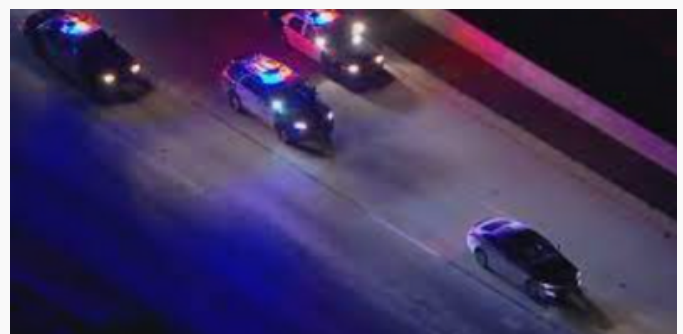


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OTHER LEGAL OPPORTUNITIES ON CAMPUS

USC'S ANNUAL LAW SCHOOL FAIR

WHO

In addition to representatives from the 50+ law schools and law-related organizations, LSAT prep and nonprofits organizations dedicated to funding law school education will also be there! Click [here](#) for a list of registered orgs!

WHAT

The annual USC Law School Fair is designed to help students and alumni in all majors and programs explore law school programs and gain critical knowledge regarding the qualifications law school admission representatives are looking for.

WHEN

11 AM - 2 PM on October 27, 2022

WHERE

Trousdale Parkway



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For more information, check out the Dornsife Career Pathways Pre Law Programming site [here](#).