

The Laws Bonus

Famous Laws

- (1) Systems that shouldn't work sometimes do, at least fairly well.
- (2) Salaries can never rise above the minimum to enable survival.
- (3) The distributions of random variables converge to the normal distribution.
- (4) You can't win; you can't break even; you can't get out of the game.
- (5) As an online discussion grows longer, the probability of a comparison involving Nazis or Hitler approaches one.
- (6) In the real world, it's possible to randomly punch strangers in the stomach. What stops us from doing this is the fact that we're not assholes.
- (7) Spelling or grammar flames on messageboards always contain spelling or grammar errors.
- (8) As an online discussion between women grows longer and more heated, the probability of their comparative parenting status being mentioned approaches one.
- (9) The chance of success of any attempt to change the topic or direction of a thread of discussion in a networked forum is directly proportional to the quality of the current content.
- (10) The total number of transistors on the cheapest CPU will grow exponentially *at a constant rate* and that this constant rate produces a doubling every 12 (or 18, or 24) months.
- (11) If the Patriots can win the Super Bowl without you at cornerback, they'll dump you to the Jets, who'll suck no matter how well you play.
- (12) Form the possessive singular of nouns by adding 's.
- (13) The game of chess is played between two opponents by moving pieces on a square board called a "chessboard"

State laws

- (14) The penalty for jumping off a building is death.
- (15) It is illegal for a man to beat his wife more than once a month.
- (16) It is illegal to take a French poodle to the opera.
- (17) It is legal for women to ride topless on subways.
- (18) It is illegal to post notices calling someone a 'coward' for not accepting a duel challenge.
- (19) It is illegal for moose cannot have sex on city streets.
- (20) It is illegal for state assemblymen to be given speeding tickets when the state assembly is in session.
- (21) It is illegal to tie an alligator to a fire hydrant.
- (22) It is illegal to pick up trash in a national forest, punishable by a \$150 fine.

Those With Law in the Last Name

- (23) Appearing in six movies between Summer-Fall 2004 will not guarantee stardom if all but two of them, one in which you're unseen and one in which you're playing Errol Flynn, bomb.
- (24) Moving abusive priests around to different Boston dioceses is not a good way to avoid scandal for the Church.