

**Style Guide  
for the  
*Journal of Legal Analysis***

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Epstein, David, & Sharyn O'Halloran. 1995. A Theory of Strategic Oversight: Congress, Lobbyists, and the Bureaucracy. 11 *Journal of Law, Economics, & Organization* 227–255.

Gibbons, Robert. 1992. *Game Theory for Applied Economists*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press.

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