

# ACC Law Summit



## Interactive Session: Should ChatGPT Be Your Lawyer?

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In this session, we are shifting from talking about AI and the law to experimenting with the use of AI in a scenario. You will work in teams to analyze a real-world legal scenario and use ChatGPT as a tool to think through your options, your rights, and your next steps.

You have always been afraid of insects. You are not sure if you have an actual phobia but if you see an insect in your bedroom you cannot sleep until you are convinced it is dead and gone. When you see them elsewhere you have a similar reaction in that you are unable to focus or rest until the insect has been eliminated. You've started seeing cockroaches in your apartment again and again over the past few days. Not just one, but enough that it's affecting how you live. You're scared, you're uncomfortable, and it's starting to feel like your space isn't livable anymore. You've told your landlord three times in the past 10 days, but nothing has changed. You have no indication that exterminators were dispatched. So now you're asking yourself: can I break my lease, or am I stuck here?

Each team is stepping into the role of a different tenant. Some of you are students with limited savings, some are working professionals, and others are dealing with job loss or rising costs. The law doesn't exist in a vacuum, and neither do your options.

Your task is to use ChatGPT to determine whether you have a legal case for breaking your lease and to develop an actionable plan to do so, including how to fight this issue in court in the most cost effective manner possible.

These situations may seem straightforward, but they raise important legal questions about:

- Contracts
- Tenant rights
- Financial responsibility
- Fairness and equity
- Risk and liability

**Your Task.** Using AI as a tool, your team will:

1. Analyze your assigned scenario
2. Identify the key legal issues
3. Research tenant rights and identify BLANK
4. Craft a clear and persuasive legal argument



## Client Profiles. Each team will be assigned one profile.

- **Sofia Ramirez (22) – UT Student**  
Latina (Mexican), Female, Heterosexual  
International student living in West Campus  
Limited savings, relies on part-time job and family support
- **Marcus Green (34) – Tech Worker**  
Black/African American, Male, Gay  
Lives in the Domain area; recently laid off from a high-paying tech job  
Highly educated (PhD) and actively job searching
- **Emily Chen (27) – Nurse**  
Asian American (Chinese), Female, Bisexual  
Lives in East Austin and works night shifts at a local hospital  
Stable income but needs to live close to work with limited flexibility
- **Priya Patel (31) – Graduate Student**  
South Asian (Indian), Female, Heterosexual  
Graduate student on a visa living in North Campus  
Relies on a fixed stipend with limited financial cushion
- **Luis Hernandez (40) - Construction Worker**  
Latino (Mexican America), Male, Heterosexual  
Lives in Riverside; job site recently moved further away  
Commute costs are becoming unaffordable

### As You Work, Ask Yourself:

- What legal rights does your client have, and what contractual obligations apply? What risks or liabilities does your client face?
- Are there any exceptions or defenses available to your client? How strong and realistic are these defenses?
- Is the AI providing sound, unbiased advice, and what kinds of prompts worked best? Is the AI helping you understand the law, or just producing something convincing?
- The final question is central to today's symposium: Should ChatGPT Be Your Lawyer?

**Final Reminder.** AI is a tool. Law requires reasoning. Advocacy requires judgment. Use technology wisely, think critically, and build the strongest argument you can. Let's begin