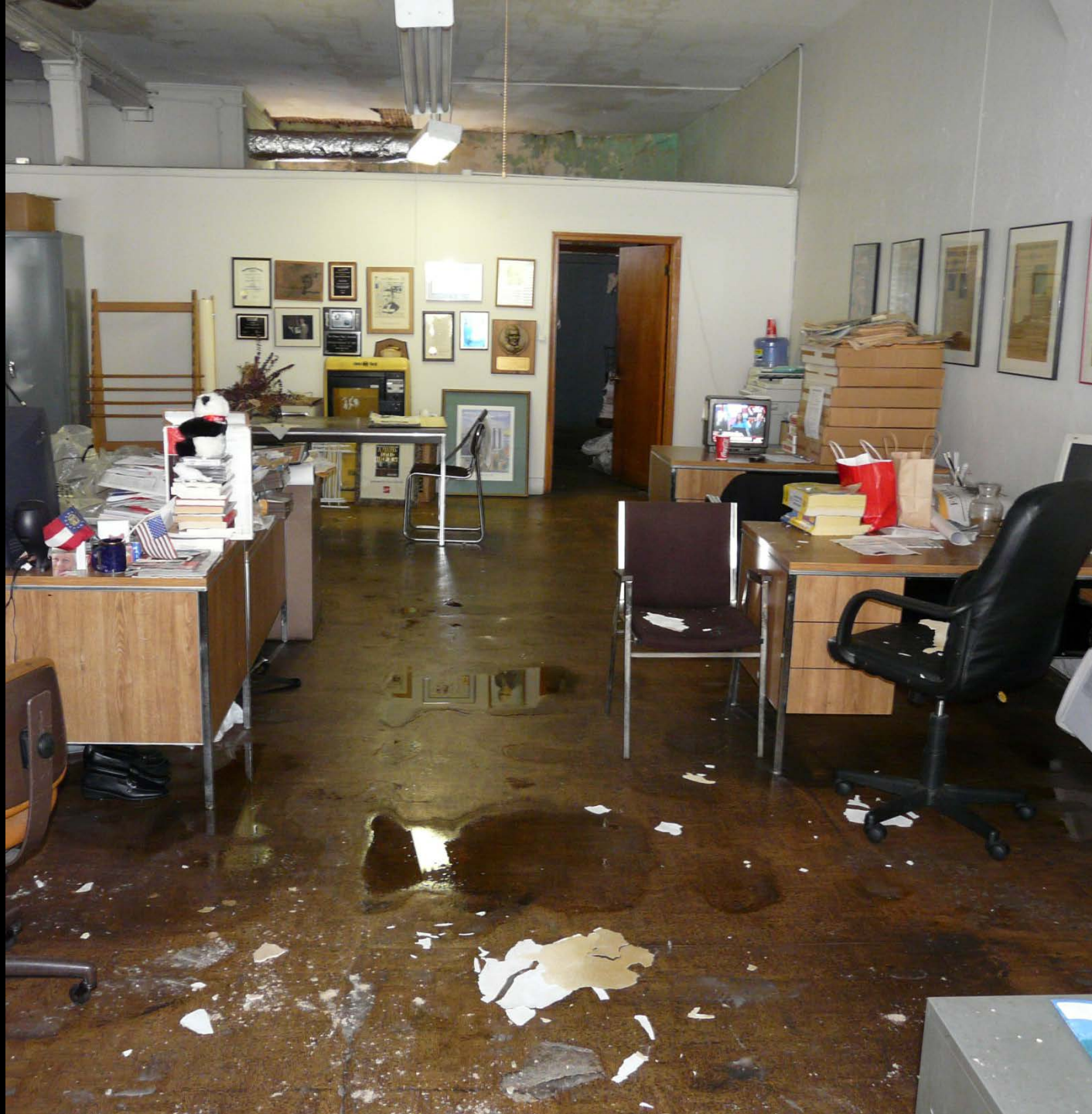


The Threats of Mold to Libraries: Books, Buildings, Bodies

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Mold spores are everywhere, all the time.

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Mold infestations can be severely disruptive and hazardous to health.



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Mold can weaken, stain, and disfigure paper, cloth, and leather.



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Be sure you can tell the difference between mold and fatty spue or salts leaching from the leather.



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Staff suffering from allergies or respiratory problems should not participate in cleaning mold infestations.



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