SUMMER LAW EXTERN PROGRAM 2003
RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS RESOURCES

Students participating in the Summer Law Extern Program will focus on legal needs of persons living and working in selected low-income communities in ten states: Georgia, Kentucky, Minnesota, New Mexico, North Carolina, North Dakota, South Carolina, South Dakota, Texas and Wisconsin.

The resources in this guide are grouped by types of resource, including materials in print and in electronic formats. Within a category, the materials are listed by jurisdiction or by legal topics. Whenever possible, “live persons” are included for reference.

Power tips for using the two fee-based resources, Westlaw and Lexis/Nexis, are printed at the end of the handout.

For important background information about using a law student password for Westlaw, Lexis/Nexis or LOISlaw, see Reference Librarian Bonnie Shucha’s article http://library.law.wisc.edu/announcements/summeraccess.htm

To extend a student Westlaw password through the summer, access the Westlaw Law School site at www.lawschool.westlaw.com, scroll down, and then under the heading “Extend Your Westlaw Password,” click on the words “Register Here.” Fill out and submit the form. You are eligible to extend your password because you are taking a summer law school class. Remember, the Westlaw “help” line is available 24/7 at 1-800-ref-atty.

To extend a student Lexis/Nexis password through the summer, access the Lexis/Nexis Law School site at www.lawschool.lexis.com, scroll down, and under the words “Summer Access and ID Registration,” click on the word “extend.” Follow the instructions. You may extend your password because you are participating in a public interest externship. The Lexis/Nexis “help” line is available 24/7 at 1-800-45-lexis.

Remember, you may use your LOISlawschool password throughout the summer without any restrictions, including being enrolled in a law school course. If you have questions about LOISlawschool resources, please e-mail Betty Karweick at karweick@facstaff.wisc.edu or contact a reference librarian at your own law school.

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1. Legal Research Guides/Deskbooks/Articles

Leah F. Chanin & Suzanne L. Cassidy
*Guide to Georgia Legal Research and Legal History*
1990 – Check latest pocket parts

Notes: Includes bibliographical references and index.
Subject:
   Legal research--Georgia.

Location: Law Library Reference Collection, Grand Reading Room
Call Number: REF KFG 75 C45 1990

Nancy P. Johnson & Nancy Adams Deel
“Researching Georgia Law” (1998 ed.)
14 Georgia State University Law Review 545 (1998)

Available on Westlaw; to retrieve, type citation in “Find”:
14 Ga. St. U. L. Rev. 545
West’s version includes a helpful Table of Contents
Available on Lexis; to retrieve, type citation in “Get a Document”
14 Ga. St. U. L. Rev. 545
**useful, comprehensive and focused guide to Georgia legal research**

Kurt X. Metzmeier, Amy Beckham Osborne, Shaun Esposito.
Lexington, KY: University of Kentucky College of Law, Office of Continuing Legal Education, 2002
Subjects:
   Law--Kentucky--Bibliography.
   Legal research--Kentucky.

Location: Law Library Reference Collection, Grand Reading Room
Call Number: REF KFK 1275 M48 2002
Kurt X. Metzmeier  
“Kentucky Legal Research on the Internet”  
86 Ky. L. J. 971 (Summer, 1997-98)  
“. . . focuses on legal research materials useful for the practice of law in Kentucky.”  
Available on Westlaw; to retrieve, type citation in “Find”:  
86 Ky. L. J. 971  
Available on Lexis; to retrieve, type citation in “Get a Document”  
86 Ky. L. J. 971

D. Lynn Fogle et al.  
Internet Basics for the Kentucky Attorney  
CLE publication; Eau Claire, Wis.: National Business Institute, 2001  
Location: Northern Kentucky University, Chase Law Library  
Call Number: KFK 1275.5

John Tessner, Brenda Wolfe, George R. Jackson  
Minnesota Legal Research Guide 2d ed.  
Notes: Includes bibliographies and indexes.  
Subject:  
Legal research–Minnesota.  
Location: Law Library Reference Collection, Grand Reading Room  
Call Number: REF KFM 5475 S63 2002

Bill Jack & George R. Jackson  
Internet Basics for the Minnesota Attorney  
CLE publication: Eau Claire, Wis.: National Business Institute, 2002  
Location: William Mitchell College of Law, Warren E. Burger Law Library  
Call number: KFM 5475.5

Wagner, Patricia  
Guide to New Mexico State Publications 2d. ed.  
Chicago, IL: AALL, 1991  
Subjects:  
Legal Research–New Mexico  
Law–New Mexico--Bibliography.  
Internet searching -- New Mexico.  
Location: Law Library Reference Collection, Grand Reading Room  
Call Number: REF KFN 3601 W33 1991

Sean R. Calvert  
Internet strategies for the paralegal in New Mexico  
Eau Claire, WI: National Business Institute, 2000  
Mary A. Woodward  
“New Mexico Practice Materials: A Selective Annotated Bibliography”
Jean Sinclair McKnight
**North Carolina Legal Research Guide**

Notes: Includes bibliographical references and indexes.
Subject: Legal research--North Carolina.

Location: Law Library Reference Collection, Grand Reading Room
Call Number: REF KFN 7475 M38 1994

Mary Louise Corbett
**Guide to North Carolina Legal and Law-Related Materials**

Marvin E. Chavis, Leslie D. McKesson, Cheryl W. Smith
**Internet Strategies for the Paralegal in North Carolina**
CLE publication: Eau Claire, Wis.: National Business Institute, 2001

Location: University of North Carolina Law Library
Call Number: KFN 7477 P3

No research guide located for North Dakota. See University of North Dakota School of Law, below, for comprehensive Web links

Delores A. Jorgensen
**South Dakota Legal Research Guide**

Location: Law Library Reference Collection, Grand Reading Room
Call Number: REF KFS 3075 J67 1999

Brandt, Lydia
**Texas Legal Research Index**
http://brandtlaw.com/lydia/table.html
**Texas Legal Research Internet Sites**
http://www.brandtlaw.com/lydia/internet_sites.html

Goal:
“The goal of Texas Legal Research Internet Sites is to provide the most comprehensive set of links to Texas law and Texas legal information resources (with select exceptions for sites at a national or regional level) which may be of interest to the Texas lawyer.”

See also: Lydia Brandt’s very comprehensive article: Star**Texas Legal Information Resources on the Internet: Back to the Future:** at http://www.brandtlaw.com/lydia/orsinger_2.html
2. Web-Based Guides, Pathfinders and Bibliographies

- **Annotated Guide to Resources for Legal Professionals** by Genie Tyburski
  http://www.virtualchase.com/resources/index.shtml

  In my opinion, one of the most comprehensive and up-to-date collections of legal Web resources being published today.
  - Organized by jurisdictions, by type of law, and by legal and non-legal topics;
  - All resources described *in detail* and kept current;
  - Includes organizations’ Web sites and law firm sites -- invaluable;
  - See list for “finding facts” and “statistics” sources

- See, for example, **Thelen Reid & Priest’s Construction Web Links** at
  http://www.constructionweblinks.com/index.html
  Includes numerous links to organizations, industry topics, and resources, including secondary and primary – unbelievably comprehensive!!

  ➤See “Legal Research,” “legal subjects,” topical links, e.g., “real estate”
Cornell’s Legal Information Institute - LII http://www.law.cornell.edu:80/

■ “Law About” pages -- brief summaries of law topics with links to key primary source material, other Web sites, and secondary sources at http://www.law.cornell.edu/topical.html
Choose specific legal topics from list; In the right-hand frame, see links to state statutes by these topics
See, for example, “Property, Natural Resources, the Environment,” http://www.law.cornell.edu/topics/state_statutes3.html#property

See also “Good starting Points in Print” at the bottom right of screen. These references include texts, hornbooks and nutshells published by West Group. Check a library catalog to find individual titles in a library’s collection.
►Some West books are available electronically. Check with a West reference attorney at 1-800-ref-atty.

See also “Indian Law” overview and links (including numerous related sites) at http://www.law.cornell.edu/topics/indian.html

See “State Statutes on the Internet” by Topic http://www.law.cornell.edu/topics/state_statutes.html

Findlaw.com Legal Subject Index http://www.findlaw.com/01topics/index.html
Site maintained by West Group, but information is still “free”
Directory of numerous legal subjects with links to primary sources, Web sites, and secondary sources.

Web sites include governmental sites, organizations’ sites, attorneys' sites, and related discussion groups;
See, “Property Law and Real Estate” http://www.findlaw.com/01topics/33property/index.html


Indian Title
Nonintercourse Acts Treaties
General Allotment Act Indian Reorganization Act
Indian Claims Commission Indian Country
Indian Gaming Regulatory Act Conclusion

See Findlaw search engine, LawCrawler http://LawCrawler.FindLaw.com
FindLaw LawCrawler is “powered by” Google.

LawCrawler is searching “the U.S. government, every U.S. state, the major U.S. government agencies and nearly every U.S. law school.”
For example, on May 24, 2003, a LawCrawler search for texas AND colonias in “legal web sites” retrieved 5,720 hits.

- **JURIST** (The Law Professors’ Web Site) **Subject Guides**
  http://jurist.law.pitt.edu/subj_gd.htm
  These are “mini-portals to peer-reviewed online legal resources across a curriculum of 26 subjects. JURIST’s Subject Guides are edited by law professors who, in addition to being experts in their own fields, are also pioneers in using the Internet for legal education.” **Look for links** to electronic journals, state statutes, course outlines and much more, including more relevant Web sites.
  See, for example, the link to **Stewart Title’s** site “Real Estate” and from their home page to “Real Estate Related Legislation,” both state and federal, at http://www.legicrawler.com/mapusers/stewart/stewartmap.html

- **Comprehensive**, annotated list of **Law Pathfinders** compiled by attorney T.R. Halverson, Montana
  http://www.lexnotes.com/paths.shtml
  Links to legal research guides and pathfinders covering basic and specialized topics from various American law libraries.

- **Pathfinder Clearinghouse**
  http://www.aallnet.org/sis/rippsis/pathfinder.html
  A collection of pathfinders and research guides. Site maintained by the Reader Services Special Interest Section of the American Association of Law Libraries.

- **Nolo Press**, information for lay persons at various “self-help law centers”
  http://www.nolo.com/category/index.html
  Nolo’s Legal Encyclopedia  http://www.nolo.com/lawcenter/ency/index.cfm
  Includes sections on debt and bankruptcy as well as real property.

- **Bankruptcy Research Guide and Bibliography**
  Bibliography includes treatises, periodicals, reporters, looseleaf services, law firm links, and electronic resources available via the Internet;
  Very well annotated list of a variety of resources useful to attorneys researching bankruptcy law;
  Compiled by Gail A. Partin, law librarian, at The Dickinson School of Law, Carlisle, Pennsylvania, spring, 2002.
  http://www.dsl.psu.edu/library/lrr/guides/bankruptcy/resguide.html

- Law firm site entitled **“The Bankruptcy LawFinder”**
  http://www.agin.com/lawfind/
  This site is comprehensive and maintained by the Boston, MA, law firm Swiggart & Agin LLC;
  See also FAQs regarding bankruptcy  http://www.agin.com/bkfaq/

- **Bankruptcy/Debtor-Creditor** Proceedings  (updated February 2002)
  A Selective Bibliography for the General Practice Course
  by Nancy Paul, law librarian, University of Wisconsin-Madison Law School
  http://library.law.wisc.edu/guides/bibliographies/

- **Environmental Law**  (updated October 2002)
3. State Law Collections and Academic Law Libraries

State Laws, including the state’s Constitution; codified laws passed by state legislatures (variously known as statutes or codes); administrative regulations and administrative opinions; judicially-created law (both common law and court opinions interpreting statutes and administrative regulations); court rules; attorney general opinions; rules of procedure; local ordinances and tribal law may be located at a state law library, academic law libraries and governmental Web sites.

Moreover, texts may be available as links from Web sites of a state law library, academic law libraries, a law librarian, a law firm, an attorney, an association or organization and/or state bar associations’ sites, etc.

State Law Libraries and Major Academic Law Libraries
I know the librarians whose names are marked with an asterisk in the following list. Visit these libraries’ Web sites for useful “live persons” and links to other materials.

Georgia Legal Research Links
incredibly comprehensive list of links to primary and secondary resources
http://library.law.mercer.edu/galaw.htm
Mercer University Walter F. George School of Law
1021 Georgia Avenue
Macon Georgia 31201-6709
800-342-0841 (Inside Georgia) • 800-MERCERU (Outside Georgia)

Georgia State University (GSU) College of Law Library
*Nancy P. Johnson
Law Librarian/Professor of Law
College of Law
Attn: Department or Individual
P.O. Box 4037
Atlanta, GA 30302-4037
404 651-2048 http://law.gsu.edu/lawlibrary/
University of **Georgia** Law Library
Anne Puckett, Director of the Law Library and Professor of Law
http://www.law.uga.edu/library/index.html

State of **Georgia** Law Library
244 Washington Street
Atlanta, Georgia  30334-9007
404 656-3468
Joelle V. Gresham, State Law Librarian
http://gsll.home.mindspring.com/
Click on tab “legal research” to access helpful research links

**Emory** University School of Law (Georgia)
MacMillan Law Library
Robin Mills, Associate Dean for Library and Information Technology
404  727-6983
*Rosalie Sanderson, Associate Director
404 727-6971
http://www.law.emory.edu/LAW/law.html

See Emory’s  “Law School Library Guides and Search Tips” at
http://www.law.emory.edu/LAW/lawsites.html
Includes guides for Georgia, North Carolina (Duke), Georgetown, Harvard and Vanderbilt

**Kentucky** State Law Library
Frankfort, KY
502 564-4848
Sallie Howard, State Law Librarian
http://www.kdla.state.ky.us/
Commonwealth of Kentucky Web Site: http://www.state.ky.us/

University of **Kentucky** College of Law Library
Lexington, KY
606 257-8686
Herbert Cihak, Director and Professor of Law
http://www.uky.edu/Law/library/

University of **Louisville** Law library
Louisville, KY
502 852-6392
David Ensign, Head Law Librarian and Professor of Law
http://www.louisville.edu/library/law.html

☆Legal Research “Jump Zone”  http://www.louisville.edu/library/law/sites.html
Links to state materials, including Kentucky, federal materials, foreign and international materials, general reference sites, and legal lists and reference sites.

☆☆ Kentucky “Jump Zone”  
http://www.louisville.edu/library/law/kentucky/index.htm
Kentucky legal links, quick legal guide, legal history, materials in the Brandeis Law Library, and special collections, including Marshall, Brandeis, and history of Kentucky courts. ☆Comprehensive – “one-stop-shopping”
Minnesota State law Library  
St. Paul, MN  
651 296-2775  
http://www.lawlibrary.state.mn.us/index.html

Minnesota Legal Resources  
http://www.lawlibrary.state.mn.us/mnlr.html  
Minnesota Association of Law Libraries Internet Reference Guide  
http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/mall/mnetgd.htm

University of Minnesota Law Library  
Minneapolis, MN  
651 625-5526  
*George Jackson, Reference and Government Documents Librarian  
*Suzanne Thorpe, Assistant Director for Faculty and Public Services  
http://www.law.umn.edu/library/home.html

Minnesota Research Guides and Pathfinders (UMN Librarians)  
http://www.law.umn.edu/library/tools/pathfinders/pathfinders.html

Resources on Minnesota Legislative Issues (extensive list of issues)  
http://www.leg.state.mn.us/lrl/issues/issues.htm

Hennepin County, Minnesota, Law Library - Bibliographies  
*Anne Grande, Director  
http://hclaw.co.hennepin.mn.us/

List of Minnesota Law Libraries  
http://www.law.umn.edu/library/tools/EResources/MNWeb.html#LOCALS

William Mitchell College of Law (Minnesota)  
Warren E. Burger Library  
St. Paul, MN  
651 290-6333  
*Ann Bateson, Director of the Law Library and Professor of Law  

University of New Mexico School of Law Library  
1117 Stanford NE  
Albuquerque, NM  87106  
505 277-6236  
http://lawschool.unm.edu/library/frame/lawlib.html

- See special collection on American Indian Law (excellent collection!)  
  http://lawschool.unm.edu/library/indian_law/indlaw.html

- Comprehensive collection including primary texts, secondary sources, news  
  See, for example,  
  http://nativelaw.nativeweb.org/newsdigest/  
  http://www.indianz.com/default.asp  
  http://pechanga.net  
  http://nativenewsonline.org/  
  “Navajo Times”  
  http://www.thenavajotimes.com/  
  ★Bob Howard’s choice for daily news:  
  http://www.indianz.com/

New Mexico Supreme Court Law Library
- Very Complete site with useful links to all types of New Mexico law

**North Carolina** Supreme Court Library
Raleigh, NC
919 733-3425
Thomas P. Davis, State Law Librarian
☆See comprehensive list of legal links, including North Carolina resources.
http://www.aoc.state.nc.us/www/copyright/library/research.htm

**Duke** University School of Law Library
Durham, NC
919 613-7171
*Richard Danner, Research Professor of Law and Senior Associate Dean for Information Technology (University of Wisconsin-Madison Law School)
http://www.law.duke.edu/lib/library.htm

**Research Guides**, including North Carolina Practice with specific references to subject treatises and CLEs for North Carolina attorneys:
http://www.law.duke.edu/lib/research_guide.html

- See “North Carolina Practice” links

**North Carolina Central** University School of Law Library
Durham, NC
919 560-5189 or call the Law School at 919 530-6333
*Deborah Mayo-Jefferies, Head Law Librarian and Associate Professor of Law
http://www.nccu.edu/law/

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Law Library
Chapel Hill, NC
919 962-1321
*Laura N. Gasaway, Library Director and Professor of Law
http://library.law.unc.edu/home.shtml

**North Dakota Supreme Court Law Library**
600 East Boulevard Ave., 2nd floor
Judicial Wing
Bismarck, ND 58505
701 328-4594
Ted Smith, Law Librarian
http://www.court.state.nd.us/LawLib/WWW6.HTM

- See links to state site and North Dakota Supreme Court site

**University of North Dakota School of Law, Thormodsgard Law Library**
School of Law, Centennial Drive
Room 161
Grand Forks, ND 58202-9004
Gary Gott, Director of the Law Library and Assoc. Professor of Law
http://www.law.und.nodak.edu/ (Closed for renovation until July 21, 2003)

- See “legal research on-call” service (performed by law students for attorneys)
  http://www.law.und.nodak.edu/lawweb/research/legalres.html

- See “legal research” links
  http://www.law.und.nodak.edu/lawweb/research/onlinelegal.html
  This list includes a “Native Americans” link
  http://www.law.und.nodak.edu/lawweb/research/native.html

South Dakota State Library
8000 Governors Drive
Pierre, SD 57501
Suzanne M. Miller, South Dakota State Librarian
http://www.sdstatelibrary.com/

University of South Dakota McKusick Law Library
414 East Clark Street
Vermillion, SD 57069-2390
605 677-6357
http://www.usd.edu/lawlib/

Texas State Law Library
Austin, TX
512 463-1722 (Reference and Circulation)
Kay Schlueter, Director
Marcelino Antonio Estrada, Law Librarian
http://www.sll.state.tx.us/

- See Texas, Federal, and General Legal Reference Links
  http://www.sll.state.tx.us/legal.htm

University of Texas School of Law Jamail Center for Legal Research
Tarlton Law Library
Austin, TX
512 471-7726
Roy Mersky, Professor of Law and Director of Research (UW-Madison graduate)
http://www.law.utexas.edu/

- Texas Legal Research:  http://www.law.utexas.edu/texas/

- Research on the Internet:  http://www.law.utexas.edu/research/

- Texas Research Guides:  http://www.law.utexas.edu/research/guides/

Southern Methodist University Underwood Law Library
Underwood Law Library
Dallas, TX
214 768-4330
Gail Daly, Associate Dean for Library and Technology and Associate Professor
http://library.law.smu.edu/

- Legal Research Guides  http://library.law.smu.edu/resguide/index.html
  Includes guides to both Texas and federal legal research in HTML
South Texas College of Law Library of Texas A & M University
Houston, TX
713 646-1711
David Cowan, Director of Library Services and Professor of Law
http://www.stcl.edu/library/libhome.html

Texas Legal Research Links: well organized and comprehensive
http://www.stcl.edu/library/lrtexas.html

See other links available from homepage: http://www.stcl.edu/library/libhome.html

Texas Tech University School of Law Library
Lubbock, TX
806 742-3957
Sharon Blackburn, Associate Law Librarian/Reference
http://www.law.ttu.edu/lawlibrary/
Sharon's Magical Research Links: http://www.law.ttu.edu/lawlibrary/liblinks.htm

Wisconsin State Law Library
1-800-322-9755
Reference: 608-267-9696
Circulation: 608-266-1600
http://wsll.state.wi.us/
P.O. Box 7881, Madison WI 53707-7881
120 Martin Luther King Jr Blvd, 2nd floor
Madison, WI 53703

Outstanding collection and very helpful librarians.
See links to state, federal and tribal law; see also: law arranged by topics

University of Wisconsin-Madison Law Library
975 Bascom Mall
Madison, WI 53706
608 262-3394 (reference librarians)
*Steven M. Barkan, Director of the Law Library & Professor of Law
*Bill Ebbott, Assistant Director for Information Services
*Bonnie Shucha, Reference and Electronic Services Librarian
http://library.law.wisc.edu/

Very knowledgeable, friendly and helpful librarians

See links to free legal Web Resources:
http://library.law.wisc.edu/elecresources/index.html

See comprehensive list of Bibliographies and Guides
http://library.law.wisc.edu/guides/bibliographies/index.htm

See handy chart of “Sources of Legal Information for a Wisconsin Attorney”
4. Relevant Organizations and Related Web sites

National Legal Aid and Defender Association (NLADA)
www.nlada.org/
See its links to relevant programs around the country

National Center on Poverty Law (NCPL)
http://www.povertylaw.org/index.cfm

✓ See “Research Links” arranged by topics, including housing, rural issues and Native Americans  http://www.povertylaw.org/legalresearch/links/links.cfm

Colonias Research

✓ Good Starting Points in Print for Colonias Research:


Description:  287 p. with maps
Contents:  Introduction to the border region and to the case study cities -- Land and housing production in the colonias of Texas and Mexico -- Servicing no man's land : ambivalence versus commitment in the Texas-Mexico colonias -- Settlements or communities? Social organization and participation in the colonias -- Social services to colonias : shifting the focus toward means rather than ends -- Conclusion: Texas colonias and the next policy wave.

Notes: Includes bibliographical references (p. 269-278) and index.

Library of Congress Subjects:
Urban poor--Texas.
Slums--Texas.
Urban poor--Mexican-American Border Region.
Slums--Mexican-American Border Region.
Strategy: How to find more information about the colonias:
Search “World Cat” using keywords (texas colonias) or subject terms (see above)


Searching “World Cat” will retrieve information in various formats – print books, electronic reports, video and audio recordings, and combinations of these.

- Las Colonias Overview, discussion, and related “panoramas”
  http://www.swt.edu/HumanResources/LasColonias/panoramas.htm

- “The Border Economy” Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas June 2001
  http://dallasfed.org/htm/pubs/border.html
  “This series of nine articles explores issues important to the region's economy—from job growth, wages and education to infrastructure demands, maquiladoras and illegal immigration.”
  See: “Texas Colonias: Housing and Infrastructure Issues”

- In the “search” box (left frame of home page), search for word colonias
  http://dallasfed.org/index.html

Texas Rural Legal Aid (TRLA) http://www.trla.org/

“Texas Rural Legal Aid, Inc. provides free legal services to indigent residents of South and West Texas and to migrant and seasonal farm workers throughout Texas, Alabama, Arkansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Tennessee.”

“TRLA, as it is affectionately known in some circles, is a non-profit law firm that specializes in legal services to the indigent residents of South and West Texas along the Mexican border. With a staff of approximately 45 lawyers located in ten offices, TRLA serves more than 10,000 eligible clients each year with a broad range of legal problems. Program headquarters are in Weslaco, in the Lower Rio Grande Valley of Texas. Migrant and seasonal farm workers, domestic violence victims, and displaced workers are among the many clients served each year by TRLA staff. Cases range from routine family law counseling to complex litigation in state and federal courts from the local Justice of the Peace to the United States Supreme Court. TRLA is one of the largest programs of its kind in the country.”

“The clients share two very important characteristics: they are overwhelmingly Hispanic, and they are oppressively poor. Southwest Texas consistently has three of the five poorest counties in the nation, and the unemployment rate in many border counties rarely dips into single digits. The employment available is mostly low-wage and often sporadic, driving tens of thousands into the migrant labor stream each harvest season. Over 90% of TRLA’s clients are of Mexican descent. Upwards of one-half of the clients speak Spanish as their primary language, as do the vast majority of TRLA staff.”

TRLA’s telephone Access to Justice toll-free hotline: 1-888-988-9996

Directory of TRLA personnel:
Community Resource Group, Inc. (CRG) http://www.crg.org/index.htm

"Helping people in the rural South build a future in their own home town."

"CRG, Inc. is a hands-on, dynamic organization that works to meet the changing needs of communities and apply creative solutions to long-term problems. One organization working alone cannot change the world; our goal is to model solutions that can be duplicated and applied in communities across the country and throughout the world."

Shelter Safe Drinking Water Transportation
Access to Credit Public Policy Land Tenure

CRG link: Texas Colonias Project: http://www.crg.org/tex_cr.htm

Links to other colonia-related sites, including Texas Colonias Receivership: http://www.crg.org/tcr_links.htm

Dallas Federal Reserve Bank’s "Thumbnail Sketch" of the Colonias

Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs, Office of Colonia Initiatives

Border Low-Income Housing Coalition

University of Texas Colonia Resources

Colonias Self Help Centers (SHC) Program
http://www.tdhca.state.tx.us/oci_selfhelp.htm

See “Colonia Initiatives” including contract for deed conversion program: http://www.tdhca.state.tx.us/au_colonias.htm

See the site map for comprehensive listings: ww.tdhca.state.tx.us/site_map.htm

"The Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) along with other federal and state agencies and two Texas universities are improving the living conditions of colonia residents along the Texas Mexico border. The nine partners are dedicating their efforts to ensure that federal and state programs of food, nutrition, health and housing are accessible to colonia families to help eliminate hunger and improve their living conditions. It is estimated that 1412 colonias have a current population of 367,821 residents living along the Texas-Mexico."

"The function of the five centers is to assist low and very low income persons and families to finance, refinance, construct, improve or maintain a safe, suitable home in the designated service area or another area that is determined suitable. In addition, on-site technical assistance is provided to colonia residents in centers established in El Paso, Webb, Starr, Hidalgo, and Cameron/Willacy counties. Key services that five designated colonias within each county are receiving include concentrated technical assistance in the areas of: housing rehabilitation; new construction; surveying and platting; construction skills training; tool library access for self-help construction; housing finance; credit and debt counselling; grant writing; infrastructure constructions and access; contract-for-deed conversions; and capital access for mortgages and other improvements. The three OCI
field offices provide technical assistance to the counties and self help centers.

**Office of Colonia Initiatives**  [http://www.tdhca.state.tx.us/au_colonias.htm](http://www.tdhca.state.tx.us/au_colonias.htm)

“The Office of Colonia Initiatives (OCI) was created and charged with the responsibility of coordinating all Department and Legislative initiatives involving border issues and manage a portion of the {Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs’s} existing programs targeted for colonias. The OCI was formed by combining existing resources from various program areas (Single Family Bond Program, HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG), Section 8 and Consolidated Agenda of the Southwest Area (CASA). Since the creation of the OCI, more emphasis has been placed on the individual needs of colonia residents and a more comprehensive approach has been implemented towards improving living conditions in all colonias along the border region.”

See **background** of colonias  [http://www.tdhca.state.tx.us/au_colonias.htm#back](http://www.tdhca.state.tx.us/au_colonias.htm#back)

- **Texas Water Development Board**
  
  *Economically Distressed Areas Program (EDAP)*
  - [http://www.twdb.state.tx.us/index.htm](http://www.twdb.state.tx.us/index.htm)
  
  *Economically Distressed Areas Geographic Information System*  
  [http://www.twdb.state.tx.us/colonias/index.htm](http://www.twdb.state.tx.us/colonias/index.htm)
  
  **Colonia Information:**  [http://www.twdb.state.tx.us/colonias/index.htm](http://www.twdb.state.tx.us/colonias/index.htm)
  
  ✔See information on Certificates of Convenience and Necessity (CCN)

- **List of Materials Pertaining to Colonias** in South Texas/Northeast Mexico
  
  Compiled by George R. Gause, Jr. and Maricela Shayegan, Special Collections, The University of Texas Pan-American Library
  
  Rio Grande Valley Historical Collection; Edinburg, Texas  
  [http://www.lib.panam.edu/~sc/guides/colonias.html](http://www.lib.panam.edu/~sc/guides/colonias.html)  
  (Updated August 2001)

  For guides and bibliographies, contact Mr. Gause (Phone numbers on Web site.)

- **Children of the Colonias** website: **Through our own lenses**  
  [http://www.swt.edu/humanresources/lascolonias/](http://www.swt.edu/humanresources/lascolonias/)

  Dr. Jaime Chahin, Project Director, Southwest Texas State University

  “The images in the exhibit illustrate life in these communities through the eyes of the children who live there--they took all the photos.”

- **Texas Legal Services Center** (caution: site not being updated regularly)  
  [http://www.tlsc.org/Index.html](http://www.tlsc.org/Index.html)

  The Texas Legal Services Center (TLSC), a Legal Services Program, is a state support office which provides specialized assistance to advocates of low-income people. Assistance is provided in training, litigation support, and communication.

  ✔See links to Texas Equal Access to Justice Foundation, Texas Access to Justice Commission, Health Information, Counseling, and Advocacy Program (HICAP), and Legal Services Corporation

  ✔Includes useful links to legal research tools, sample briefs, Texas and federal resources, and legal services support and resources nationwide.  
  [http://www.tlsc.org/texas.html](http://www.tlsc.org/texas.html)  
  rich source of “all links” Texas
- Legal Aid of NorthWest Texas (formerly Legal Services of North Texas)
  www.lanwt.org (site seems to contain only press release as of 5/21/03)

  ✔ Includes helpful links to other legal services organizations, handbooks, and lawyer referral services throughout Texas.  http://www.lsnt.org/nav/hy.asp

  ✔ “Find Your Local Legal Aid Program in Texas” by county name, with map
    http://www.lact.org/find.htm  (Equal justice for central Texas)

- Rio Grande Alliance  http://www.riogrande.org/enghome.htm

  This Alliance is concerned with the protection, improvement and conservation of the Rio Grande watershed.
  The Alliance Site includes numerous links to secondary and primary sources.

  ✔ See Community Outreach Project Center (COPC)
    http://coserve1.panam.edu/copc/
    This Center is described as “a catalyst for economic and community development in South Texas’ substandard, rural communities.”

  ✔ See Project HOPE, (Homeownership Partnership and Empowerment)
    http://coserve1.panam.edu/copc/hope.html

  ✔ See National Colonia Clearinghouse
    http://coserve1.panam.edu/copc/colonias.html
    This Clearinghouse “was established collect and provide information addressing economic and social development issues affecting rural communities along the Texas-Mexico border known as ‘colonias.’”

  ✔ See annotated list of over 10 Housing Links at
    http://coserve1.panam.edu/copc/links.html

  ✔ See annotated list of Colonia Links at
    http://coserve1.panam.edu/copc/colinks.html

  ✔ See MAPS of colonias, http://maps.oag.state.tx.us/colgeog/

  ✔ See comprehensive, annotated list of housing resources.
    http://coserve1.panam.edu/copc/rural.html

- Center for Housing and Urban Development (CHUD)
  College of Architecture – Texas A & M University
  http://chud.tamu.edu/

  “A research and outreach center dedicated toward improving the quality of life of Texas residents,” including those living in colonias.  Includes photographs.

- Colonias: Serving the Underserved
  http://www.tnrcc.state.tx.us/admin/topdoc/pd/020/99-01/colonias.html

  Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC)
Informative articles about colonias

- **Maps of Starr County Colonias** with links to collected data
  http://www.twdb.state.tx.us/colonias/starr/starr.htm

- **Starr County Community Assistance Corp.** (No Web site found 5/2003)

- **“Lawyers Team Up to Help in Colonia”** (2000)
  http://www.texasbar.com/members/license/tlc/aprjun.PDF

- **Videorecording about Colonias – The Forgotten Americans**

  Produced and directed by Hector Galán in association with Southwest Texas State University; executive producer, Jaime Chahin.

  Publisher: Southwest Texas State University, 2000.
  Description: 1 videocassette (60 min.) VHS : color.

  Summary: Captures a day in the life of people living in colonias, (unincorporated settlements often lacking basic water and sewer systems, paved roads, and safe and sanitary housing) along the Texas-Mexico border.

  Notes: Narrated by Henry Cisneros

Library of Congress Subjects:
Urban poor--Texas.
Slums--Texas.
Urban poor--Mexican-American Border Region.
Slums--Mexican-American Border Region.
Squatter settlements--Texas.
Land use--Government policy--Texas.
Housing policy--Texas.
Squatter settlements--Mexican-American Border Region.

Location: UW-Madison: Steenbock Library
Call Number: HV 4045.5.T4 F67 2000

**Native American Research**

- **Good Starting Points in Print:**
  

  Electronic Index or Table of Contents available as link on MadCat (library catalog)
  Subject Heading: Indians of North America--Legal status, laws, etc.

  Law Library Call Number: Reserve KF 8205 Z9 C36 1998

  ✓ *American Indian Law Deskbook*, Conference of Western Attorneys General; Chief editors, Julie Wrend, Clay Smith.
    (University Press of Colorado, 2nd ed. 1998 with pocket part)

  Notes: Includes bibliographical references (p. 473-482) and index.
Subject Heading: Indians of North America--Legal status, laws, etc.

Law Library Call Number: (Reserve) KF 8205 .A76 1998


Electronic Index or Table of Contents available as link on MadCat (catalog)
Subject Headings:
   Indians of North America--Legal status, laws, etc.
   Indians of North America--Treaties

Law Library Call Number: (Reserve) KF 8205 C6 1982

The treatise on federal American Indian Law

Electronic version: Electronic version: http://thorpe.ou.edu/cohen.html

✓ Indian Land Titles: http://thorpe.ou.edu/treatises.html

✓ Charles J. Kappler, Indian Affairs: Laws and Treaties
   http://digital.library.okstate.edu/kappler/

Indian law reporter.
Publisher: [Washington] American Indian Lawyer Training Program.
Description: Vol. 1 [Jan. 1974]-
Notes: Published Monthly
   Includes federal, state, selective tribal court
   opinions and selected decisions of the BIA.
Subject Headings:
   Indians of North America--Legal status, laws, etc.--Periodicals.

Location at University of Wisconsin-Madison Law Library
   Law Library Reference Collection, Grand Reading Room
   Call Number: Reference KF 8201 A3 I53

Library Has:
   v. 1-29 (1974 - 2002)
Library Has (New):
   v. 30, no. 3 (2003 Mar.)
   v. 30, no. 2 (2003 Feb.)
   v. 30, no. 1 (2003 Jan.)

RECOMMENDED GUIDES, PATHFINDERS AND BIBLIOGRAPHIES

• Recommended American Indian Websites: Diversity & Ethnic Studies
  by Susan A. Vega García (updated February 2003)
  http://www.public.iastate.edu/~savega/amer_ind.htm

  Comprehensive, annotated list; According to the author, this list includes “[o]nly
  Websites that are reflective of American Indian / Native American realities. . . .”
• See also “American Indian Studies Library Research Guide” by Susan A. Vega Garcia
  http://www.public.iastate.edu/~savega/amerind.htm

  “This is a selected list of specialized reference resources that are useful for
  beginning research in American Indian studies.” (Based on collection at Iowa
  State University (ISU), but many titles may be available at other major libraries or
  through interlibrary loan; updated 12/01)

• LexisONE Bibliography and links to Web sites about Indian and Tribal Law

  Comprehensive list, including both primary and secondary sources

• Native American Legal Materials Bibliography by Andrew Zimmerman, law librarian,
  at LLRX (Law Library Resource Xchange)
  http://www.llrx.com/guide-gen/1/1091.html

  Comprehensive links to a wide-variety of sources

• Native American Law: Research Guide
  Bibliography includes treatises, periodicals, reporters, looseleaf services, and
  electronic sources via the Internet; Very well annotated list of a variety of resources to
  attorneys researching Native American legal issues;
  Compiled by Gail A. Partin, law librarian, at The Dickinson School of Law, Carlisle,
  http://www.dsl.psu.edu/library/lrr/guides/NativeAm/index.html

• Pathfinder: Major Web Sites for Native American Legal Research
  http://www.law.umn.edu/library/tools/pathfinders/IndianLaw.html#WebSites

  Partially updated by April Schwartz, February 28, 2003
  Business Law Reference Librarian -- University of Minnesota Law Library

• See also Ms. Schwartz’s comprehensive Native American pathfinder (2/28/03)
  http://www.law.umn.edu/library/tools/pathfinders/IndianLaw.html

  Very complete, including print resources and explanations

• General Native American Legal Research Web Sites

  • Internet Law Library’s "Indian Nations and Tribes" Links: comprehensive list
    http://www.priweb.com/internetlawlib/31.HTM

  • LexisONE comprehensive list of Native American links:

  • Indianz.om http://www.indianz.com/

    This site is a product of Ho-Chunk, Inc., the economic development corporation of
the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska. It’s mission is “to provide you with quality news, information, and entertainment from a Native American perspective.”

It seeks to provide “reliable, concise and relevant information and content affecting tribes and Native Americans.”

"Every weekday, Indianz.Com publishes two to three features on news worthy issues and/or other topics of interest. You can read stories on a wide range of topics, including legislation, court decisions, health issues, and politics.” It also includes humor and timely cartoons.

●Major Organizations’ Native American Web Sites

  ● Tribal Law and Policy Institute: Tribal Court Clearinghouse
  http://www.tribal-institute.org/index.htm
  ✔ One-stop research collection
  ✔ Comprehensive site with links to tribal court decisions, codes, etc.
  http://www.tribal-institute.org
  ✔ See site map http://www.tribal-institute.org/lists/site_map.htm
  Includes bibliography to articles and annotated court opinions

The Tribal Court Clearinghouse has been developed on a volunteer basis by the Tribal Law and Policy Institute, an Indian owned and operated non-profit corporation organized to design and develop education, research, training, and technical assistance programs which promote the enhancement of justice in Indian country and the health, well-being, and culture of Native peoples.

The Tribal Court Clearinghouse is a resource for tribal justice systems and others involved in the enhancement of justice in Indian country. As an increasing number of Indian Nations and tribal justice systems are coming online, there is a critical need to provide an online resource which is specifically designed to meet the needs of tribal justice systems.

Thanks to a cooperative agreement with VersusLaw©, the Tribal Court Clearinghouse is “pleased to announce that we now have a Searchable Database of over 1,400 fully annotated Tribal Court opinions, memorandums and orders from eighteen Tribal Courts.”

The Tribal Court Clearinghouse strives to (1) provide extensive information and resources concerning tribal courts and other issues related to the enhancement of justice in Indian country directly on the Clearinghouse Web site; (2) provide descriptive links to additional resources which will facilitate tribal court utilization of technological innovations and the vast information available on the Web; and (3) foster and encourage the exchange of ideas and expertise between people working in tribal courts.

✔ See list of Recognized Tribes in U.S. and Canada
  http://www.dickshovel.com/trbindex.html

● National American Indian Court Judges Association (NAICJA)
  http://www.naicja.org/

NAICJA is “a national voluntary association of tribal court judges. The Association is primarily devoted to the support of American Indian and Alaska Native justice systems
through education, information sharing and advocacy. The mission of the Association, as a national representative membership organization, is to strengthen and enhance tribal justice systems.”

NAICJA supports the “National Tribal Justice Resource Center,” a source of daily support and assistance to tribal justice systems nationwide.”
http://www.tribalresourcecenter.org/

✔ This site includes a “wealth” of helpful “quick links,” including:
History and background about the tribal justice systems,
Links to VersusLaw’s collection of tribal court decisions, ✔ Law students and law faculty have FREE ACCESS to VersusLaw during law school enrollment;
✔ Go to VersusLaw Homepage: http://www.versuslaw.com/main.asp

➤ “Other Resources” -- a long list of links to a variety of resources produced by associations, government departments and private groups.

•• National Indian Law Library (NILL) http://www.narf.org/nill/Nillindex.html
(Most recently updated 5/23/03)
✔ See “Native American Law Research Links” http://www.narf.org/nill/rlinks.htm

1. Native American Law: Primary Sources
   Tribal constitutions, codes, and court opinions
2. Native American Law: Secondary Sources
   Books, guides, gaming, & law review articles etc.
3. News, forums and lists
4. General Reference sources, including Internet research guides and tribes
5. Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs):
   Tracing your native roots
   Tribal Enrollment
   Scholarships and Grants for college
   Benefits and Entitlements

✔ See Guide to Legal Assistance Resources http://www.narf.org/nill/lawyer.htm

✔ See catalog of the National Indian Law Library
   Catalog is searchable.
   Collection includes over 10,000 items, including electronic and print sources.
   ➤ Some of the items in the Library may be ordered through Interlibrary Loan for a nominal fee. http://www.narf.org/nill/catalog.html
   ➤ You may call a “live person,” a reference librarian for help at (303) 447-8760.

✔ Rich source of relevant links to all types of information, including directories etc.

• Native American Rights Fund http://www.NARF.org

➤ See links to National Indian Law Library (NILL)
   ➤ See Research Links http://www.narf.org/nill/rlinks.htm
See United States **Supreme Court** links [http://www.narf.org/nill/supremecourt.html](http://www.narf.org/nill/supremecourt.html)
Current litigation before the Court and links to other Supreme Court opinion sites

See **Tribal Documents** [http://www.narf.org/nill/tribaldocs.html](http://www.narf.org/nill/tribaldocs.html)
Includes links to tribal constitutions and tribal codes

- **Minnesota American Indian Bar Association** [http://www.maiba.org](http://www.maiba.org)
  
  “MAIBA is a non-profit organization of American Indian attorneys and law students, non-Indian attorneys and law students who are interested in Indian law, and American Indians who serve as advocates, prosecutors or judicial officers in tribal courts.”

- **National Association of Indian Legal Services** [http://www.judicare.org/nails.html](http://www.judicare.org/nails.html)

- **Institute for Native Americans**, Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, AZ [http://www.nau.edu/~ina/](http://www.nau.edu/~ina/)

  See **Tribal Links** in Arizona and **New Mexico** [http://www4.nau.edu/ina/](http://www4.nau.edu/ina/)

**Dakota Plains Legal Services (DPLS)** South Dakota


For contact information, see [http://www.dpls.org/contact_info.htm](http://www.dpls.org/contact_info.htm)

➤See also “South Dakota State Planning Report to the Legal Services Corporation”
  

**Ho-Chunk Nation**

This is the Nation’s comprehensive site. It includes links to, among other topics, government, employment, heritage, language, services, casinos, bison ranch and strategic planning.

- **Click on the “site map” link** to see many different categories you may select.
  
  The various links are arranged alphabetically and by categories. [http://www.ho-chunknation.com/sitemap/sitemap.htm](http://www.ho-chunknation.com/sitemap/sitemap.htm)

  Using either system of organization, you may select and retrieve topics including court system, forms online, executive departments, justice department, lawmaking and legislature.


**Introduction to the Ho-Chunk Nation** [http://glitc.bfm.org/](http://glitc.bfm.org/)
“In 1634, when French explorer Jean Nicolet waded ashore at Red Banks, now known as Green Bay, Wisconsin, the people of the Ho-Chunk Nation welcomed him. At that time Ho-Chunk territory extended from Green Bay westward along the Fox River through Lake Winnebago to the Wisconsin River to the Mississippi River and south to the Rock River in Illinois. The Tribe was called the Winnebago until recently. Today they are the Ho-Chunk Nation, which means “People of the Big Voice.”

Ho-Chunk Nation's Judicial Branch (with text of other primary sources)

Very “user-friendly” links and text of:
✔Court bulletins
✔Constitution and Laws
    Rules of Appellate Procedure
    Rules of Civil Procedure
    Rules for Admission to Practice
    Ho-Chunk Nation Judiciary Act of 1995


➤Topically arranged with citation, effective date and some limited “remarks.”
➤Selected text available electronically

Coverage from July 16, 1997 to May 7, 2003 [checked 5/24/03]

For each case, information categories include:
Case number
Case name
Date of Decision
Subject Matter

Case Summaries:
Coverage from June 26, 1995 to December 31, 2002 [checked 5/24/03]

For each case, information categories include:
Case number
Case name
Very helpful, succinct summary of holding
Date of decision

●Oneida Indian Nation

●●Good Places to “Start in Print” to learn more about the Oneida Indian Nation.

Search the WorldCat library catalog by keyword “oneida indians” or by subjects (see below)
http://www.library.wisc.edu/libraries/other_libs.html (Scroll down to END of list of libraries to find WorldCat. Click on the word “WorldCat" to begin your searches.)
For example, search “subject” oneida indians relocation wisconsin and review the records WorldCat retrieves for you.

✔ See list of fifteen book titles from www.Amazon.com search for “oneida indians”

✔ The Oneida Indian Journey: From New York to Wisconsin, 1784-1860
  by Laurence M. Hauptman, L. Gordon McLester (Editor)
  Publisher: University of Wisconsin Press; ISBN: 0299161447; (July 1999)

Contents:
The Oneida nation: a composite portrait, 1784-1816 / Laurence M. Hauptman -- Command performance: Philip Schuyler and the New York State-Oneida "Treaty" of 1795 / Laurence M. Hauptman -- The origins of Oneida removal to Wisconsin, 1815-1822 / Reginald Horsman -- The Wisconsin Oneidas between disasters / Jack Campisi -- The Buffalo Creek Treaty of 1838 and its legal implications for Oneida Indian land claims / Arlinda Locklear -- Stories of the Oneida language and folklore project, 1938-1941 / Oneida Elders -- Contemporary Oneida perspectives of Oneida history / Amelia Cornelius, Judy Cornelius, Loretta Metoxen, Eileen Antone, Liz Obomsawin and Richard Chrisjohn -- Doing Oneida Indian history / Francis Jennings -- Before the dispersal: records of New York's official relations with the Oneidas and other Indian nations / James D. Folts – Unmapping the Iroquois: New York State cartography, 1792-1845 / Jo Margaret Mano – Oneida Indian records prior to 1887 owned by, or deposited at, the State Historical Society of Wisconsin or its area research centers / Debra Anderson.

Notes:
"...an outgrowth of a series of history conferences sponsored by the Oneidas"
"Published in cooperation with the Oneida History Conference Committee".
Includes bibliographical references (p. 211-212) and index.

Subjects:
Oneida Indians
Oneida Indians--History--Sources.
Oneida Indians--Relocation--Wisconsin.
Oneida Indians--Government policy--Wisconsin.
United States--Politics and government.
United States--Race relations.
Indians, treatment of New York (State)

Other:
Hauptman, Laurence M.
Oneida History Conference Committee.

Location on UW-Madison campus:
Historical Society Library Pamphlet Collection
Call Number: 99-5413

Location: UW-Madison Social Work Library
Call Number: E 99.O45 O56 1999

✔ Chief Daniel Bread and the Oneida Nation of Indians of Wisconsin (Civilization of the American Indian Series, V. 241, September 2002)
  by Laurence Haupton, Gordon, Iii McLester, Laurence M. Hauptman
The Oneida Land Claims: A Legal History (The Iroquois and Their Neighbors)  
by George C. Shattuck  
Syracuse University Press (Trade); ISBN: 0815625243; (September 1991)  
Review:  
☆☆☆☆☆ First Hand Account by Counsel and Primary Documents, March 29, 1999.  
Reviewer: David Jaeger (shmave@hotmail.com) from Boston, Mass.  
This book was easy to read. It includes a narrative by Shattuck, a talented writer and lawyer, relating his experience with the land claim. It also includes primary documents from the Supreme Court and other legal scenarios related to the claim. It is a necessary introduction to this very important case.

Location UW-Madison:  
College Library Ethnic Studies Coll., 1st Fl. West, Rm 1193  
Call Number: KF 8228 O45 A3 1991  
Location UW-Madison Historical Society Library Stacks  
Call Number: KF 8228 O45 A3 1991  

Electronic Resources and Links

- **Oneida Nation of Wisconsin** (official site)  
  Read about variety of subjects, including history, culture, events, news and employment.

- **Oneida Tribe of Indians Subject Bibliography**  
  Bibliography of archival collections available at the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay Area Research Center and the Wisconsin Historical Society

- **Oneida Indian Nation (New York)**  
  Culture and History Links  
  [http://www.oneida-nation.net/cultureindex.html](http://www.oneida-nation.net/cultureindex.html)

- **Oneida Indian Nation Treaties’ Project**  
  [http://www.oneida-nation.net/treaties.html](http://www.oneida-nation.net/treaties.html)

“The concept of an Indian Nation’s sovereign status is often misunderstood, and the true answers sometimes are misinterpreted. Sovereignty means self-determination as a separate distinct government entity. President Clinton, in addressing the 500 or more tribal leaders of recognized Indian Tribes in the United States in April ’94, reaffirmed that the Indian Nations of the United States, where they exist as federally recognized tribes, have the sovereign authority to interact on a government-to-government basis directly with federal agencies.

Just as the United States Constitution still bears the same uncompromising importance and credibility it did when the ink was still wet on its pages, so do the treaties that were made between a fledgling United States and its first ally and steadfast friend, the Oneida Indian Nation.

The Oneida Indian Nation's ‘Treaties Project' was developed to provide easy access for native and non-native people alike to important treaties. The first treaties presented in
the project will focus on Oneida treaties. As the project grows, significant treaties from other Indian nations will be added. We hope you will find this project to be helpful.”

• White Earth Reservation  Minnesota

  Minnesota Indian Affairs Council
  http://www.indians.state.mn.us/tribes.html

  • White Earth Reservation
    http://www.indians.state.mn.us/wtearth.html

    Fine explanation of the history of the people who live on this Reservation, as well as details about their everyday lives and activities.

  • White Earth Tribal and Community College
    http://www.wetcc.org/

    ✓ See Virtual Library links, including “Native American Collection” and “Law”
      http://www.wetcc.org/vir/vlibrary/index.html
    _______✓ See American Indian Higher Education Consortium Virtual Library (AIHECVL)
    _______Native American Collection
    _______http://wetcc.aihecvl.org/

    White Earth Land Recovery Project
    http://www.welrp.org/index.html

    Minnesota State Archives
    http://www.rootsweb.com/~usgenweb/mn/native/native.html

Universities’ Native American Sites

• Cornell’s Legal Information Institute; Indian Law
  http://wwwsecure.law.cornell.edu/topics/indian.html
  Comprehensive; links to both primary and secondary sources

• University of Oklahoma’s American Indian Legal Resources
  http://www.law.ou.edu/indian/

• University of Montana School of Law
  http://www.umt.edu/lawinsider/library/lawbysub/nativeam.htm

• University of North Dakota Law School
  http://www.law.und.nodak.edu/lawweb/research/native.html

• University of Minnesota Law School
  http://www.law.umn.edu/library/tools/EResources/SubjectIndex.html#NativeAmericans

• Native American Documents Project  http://ww2.csusm.edu/nadp/
  Includes information and a bibliography on allotments and homesteading
  California State University, San Marcos
Individuals’ Native American Web Sites


  Site maintained by Lisa Mitten, who describes herself as a “mixed-blood Mohawk urban Indian.” Her goal is “... to facilitate communication among Native peoples and between Indians and non-Indians by providing access to home pages of Native American Nations and organizations, and to other sites that provide solid information about American Indians.”

  ✔ See first screen for list of subjects covered; very eclectic and comprehensive

  Tribal websites include some codes and tribal court opinions in full text.

  ✔ American Indian Library Association Web Page (with many links)  http://www.nativeculture.com/lisamitten/aila.html

  Includes references to many different subjects, Web links and bibliographies.


  Site maintained by Karen Strom, who is not a Native American.

  ✔ Includes interesting links to college programs, legal practice, periodicals, books and Indian law issues in other countries.

  ✔ Paula Geise’s site for White Earth Band in Minnesota (historical information)  http://www.kstrom.net/isk/maps/mn/whiteearth.htm  (Updated 1997 (??))

  ✔ Andrew Zimmerman’s LLRX Research Links to “Native American Legal Materials”  http://www.llrx.com/guide-gen/1/1091.html

  Zimmerman is a law librarian; Note link to Versus Law, source of tribal court opinions

Government Bodies’ Native American Web Sites

- Bureau of Indian Affairs  http://www.doi.gov/bureau-indian-affairs.html
Site “temporarily not available” as of May 25, 2003 “due to the Cobell litigation” no estimate on when authorization will be given to reactivate this site;

Suggested alternate ways to get BIA-related information:

For general BIA information: 202 208-3710
For Tribal Leaders Directory: 202 208-3711

Site maintained by Blackfeet Reservation Development Fund, Inc.

See http://www.doi.gov/ocl/2002/ttfm.htm Testimony of J. Steven Griles, Deputy Secretary of the Interior, and Neal A. McCaleb, Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs, before the Committee on Indian Affairs, United States Senate, June 26, 2002, on the “progress we have made in our consultation with Indian tribes on organizational issues related to the management of individual and tribal trust assets.” (Includes background information)

- Department of the Interior site: http://www.doi.gov/


See Indian Trust links at http://www.doi.gov/indiantrust/

See “American Indian” drop-down links at left, including Office of the Special Trustee for American Indians http://www.ost.doi.gov/


Site not available May 25, 2003 -- contact person listed for information


   “…serving Indian Country and Native Americans.”

The ANA “promotes the goal of social and economic self sufficiency of American Indians. . . . Self sufficiency is that level of development at which a Native American community can control and internally generate resources to provide for the needs of its members and meet its own economic and social goals. . . . ANA is the only federal agency serving all Native Americans, including over 500 federally recognized tribes, 60 tribes that are state recognized or seeking federal recognition, Indian organizations, ….”

See Site Index for more information http://www.acf.dhhs.gov/acf_site_index.html

Call Toll Free: 1-877-922-9262

- United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, Native
The Office of Tribal Justice (OTJ) was established to provide a single point of contact within the Justice Department for meeting the broad and complex federal responsibilities owed to Indian tribes. The Office facilitates coordination between Departmental components working on Indian issues, and provides a permanent channel of communication for Indian tribal governments with the Department of Justice. OTA represents the Department in its dealing with Indian tribes. Because Indian issues cut across so many entities within the Executive Branch, OTA, in cooperation with the BIA, serves to unify the federal response.

Kentuckians for the Commonwealth (KFTC)
http://www.kftc.org/

Vision of KFTC:

“We are working for a day when Kentuckians — and all people — enjoy a better quality of life. When the lives of people and communities matter before profits. When our communities have good jobs that support our families without doing damage to the water, air and land. When companies and the wealthy pay their share of taxes and can’t buy elections. When all people have health care, shelter, food, education, clean water and other basic needs. When children are listened to and valued. When discrimination is wiped out of our laws, habits and hearts. And when the voices of ordinary people are heard and respected in our democracy.”

Kentuckians for the Commonwealth is divided into regional chapters which direct the programs of the organization. KFTC has been conducting trainings since its inception in 1981 on a wide variety of issues, including leadership development, lobbying, holding public officials accountable, public speaking, etc.

KFTC membership is open to anyone committed to equality, democracy and non-violent change. Membership dues for Kentucky residents are $15 to $50 per year, based on ability to pay. Out-of-state residents may become associate members. No one is denied membership because of inability to pay.

Contact:
KFTC
PO Box 1450
London, KY 40743

“KFTC brought a lawsuit against the US Army Corps of Engineers seeking an end to the ‘valley fill’ practice and enforcement of the Clean Water Act.” Although the group prevailed at the district court level, a federal appeals court ruling on Wednesday (January 29, 2003) “overturned the lower court decision that had barred the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers from issuing permits allowing coal companies to bury streams under tons of mining wastes.
These ‘valley fills’ are most commonly used for mountaintop removal mining operations.”
The ruling opened “the door for the continued destruction of coalfield communities.”

See [http://www.kftc.org/pr013003.ivnu](http://www.kftc.org/pr013003.ivnu) for more information about this litigation.

✔ For information about developments in this lawsuit in 2003, run a **LexisNexis search:**
   I chose LexisNexis database “news all” and then ran this search:
   kentuckians /5 commonwealth /25 clean water act and date aft 1/31/2003

   On May 27, 2003, this search retrieved 6 news stories.

✔ The same search in Westlaw’s “news” database did not retrieve any stories.

✔ Another search strategy is to run **Web searches** using the **Google Search Engine.**
   On May 27, 2003, I ran an advanced Google search:
   kentuckians AND
   joe childers (as an exact phrase)

   The search retrieved 41 stories.
   See, for example, a story on the TomPaine.common sense site at

   A disadvantage to using the Web for news searches is that most news sites delete
   the stories periodically. Likewise, the retrieved stories may be “hit and miss.”

**Kentucky Access to Justice Foundation (AJF) and Kentucky Legal Services Programs**

This web site is a joint project of the Access to Justice Foundation (AJF) and Kentucky Legal Services Programs. Together with other legal services programs in Kentucky, they provide the opportunity for quality civil legal assistance to low-income Kentuckians.

This site contains information about how to contact each Kentucky Legal Services Program and pro bono (volunteer lawyer) program. It also includes a current calendar of Continuing Legal Education (CLE) events, links to a Pro Bono Directory, and the Billtrak database, a comprehensive list of relevant bills in the Kentucky General Assembly.

▶️ One of the most useful resources at this site is an exceptionally complete, annotated list of links to useful reference documents and organizations.

   The link to this information is [http://www.accesstojustice.org/Useful%20Links.htm](http://www.accesstojustice.org/Useful%20Links.htm)

**Appalachian Citizens Law Center, Inc.**

The Center describes its mission this way:

“The Appalachian Citizens Law Center is a non-profit law firm in Prestonsburg, Kentucky. We provide free legal services to persons and citizens' groups who have legal issues related to coal mining, logging, drilling, and other resource-related practices in Central Appalachia. We represent persons in many types of claims, including:

▶️ Current and former coal miners seeking federal black lung benefits.
Coal miners who have suffered discrimination at the workplace after complaining about unsafe conditions in the mines.

Persons whose homes, property, or quality of life have been damaged by coal mining, logging, drilling, or other resource-extraction practices common to Central Appalachia.

See comprehensive list of links to mining resources and organizations
http://www.appalachianlawcenter.org/links.html
List includes both federal and Kentucky references

Federation of Southern Cooperatives/ Land Assistance Fund (FSC/LAF)

Federation of Southern Cooperatives
http://www.federationsoutherncoop.com/

“Fighting to Save Black-Owned Land Since 1967"

“The Federation [of Southern Cooperatives] in its thirty-one year history has successfully provided self-help economic opportunities and hope for many low-income communities across the South. We are, in fact, the only organization in the Southeast United States that has as its primary objectives the retention of black owned land and the use of cooperatives of land-based economic development. . . . Coops are an ideal means of helping poor people to advance their own interests and provide for their own destinies.”

“Thirty years of the Federation of Southern Cooperative/Land Assistance Fund and the Emergency Land Fund archival materials are housed at the Amistad Archives at Tulane University.”

See list of offices (with contact information, including e-mail)
See extensive list of programs
See section on “land loss”
See new land retention services
http://www.federationsoutherncoop.com/landret.htm
See outstanding list of relevant “links” at
http://www.federationsoutherncoop.com/links.htm Includes UW-Madison :-)

Pigford v. Glickman (now captioned Pigford v. Veneman) is a class action lawsuit brought by African American farmers who alleged that USDA discriminated against them on the basis of their race in its farm credit and non-credit benefit programs. On April 14, 1999, the court approved a consent decree resolving the case. For more information, see http://www.federationsoutherncoop.com/classaction.htm

Site now includes archives of press releases and link to Pigford Monitor (site updated August 7, 2002; substantive information updated on December 23, 2002)

Pigford update site, United States Department of Agriculture

Black Farmers and Agriculturalists Association http://www.coax.net/people/lwf/bfaa.htm
See reasons Black Farmers and Agriculturalists Assoc. does not support reopening Pigford v. Glickman http://www.coax.net/people/lwf/bfaa_gg.htm

Land Loss Prevention Project and Related Programs
Black Farmers and Agriculturists Association (BFAA)  
http://www.coax.net/people/lwf/bfaa.htm

Land Loss Prevention Project (LLPP)  
http://www.landloss.org  
“An Organization Dedicated to the Preservation of the Family Farm”

P. O. Box 179  1-800-672-5839  
Durham, NC  27702  FAX 919 688-5596  919 682 5969

See links:  
✓meet the staff  
✓major cases litigated by LLPP  
✓environmental justice, including definitions

✓Wise v. Veneman  http://www.landloss.org/

In October, 2000, LLPP filed a landmark class action lawsuit alleging that the United States Department of Agriculture discriminated against women and minority farmers in the provision of credit and other agricultural services. The case was filed in United States District Court for the District of Columbia and is called Wise v. Veneman. The case has been assigned to United States District Judge James R. Robertson. As of February, 2002, the case was moving forward.

Sandhills Family Heritage Association (SFHA)  North Carolina

Description of organization and its mission  
http://www.resourcefulcommunities.org/river.htm

“Sandhills Family Heritage Association - (SFHA) was founded to provide integrated community development and land trust-type services to help stem the loss of African-American owned lands in six counties in the Sandhills region of eastern North Carolina; and to help preserve the heritage, history and culture of the African-American community in the region. Operating in Harnett, Cumberland, Lee, Hoke, Moore and Richmond Counties, SFHA has generated significant community-level interest among African-American community leaders, and has identified several priority projects. . . .

The Sandhills Family Heritage Association (SFHA) is a nonprofit organization dedicated to preserving the natural and cultural heritage of African Americans whose family roots are in the Sandhills of North Carolina.

SFHA’s mission is to strengthen the family through awareness of cultural heritage and create a sense of pride in small town and rural family life.”

Background information  http://www.conservationfund.org/?article=2672&back=true

P.O. Box 404  
Spring Lake, NC 28390

Georgia Legal Services Program  http://www.glsp.org/
“Georgia Legal Services, an independent, non-profit organization, provides free legal services to low-income people in civil matters in the 154 Georgia counties outside the 5 county Atlanta metropolitan area. The mission of Georgia Legal Services is to work for equal access to justice under law to all people of Georgia.”

1100 Spring Street, Suite 200-A
Atlanta, GA 30309
404 206-5175
1-800-498-9469 (clients only)

✔ Very Helpful LINKS to state (GA) and federal legal categories such as housing, family and health, mental health and disability, pro bono project of the Georgia State Bar, education, community economic development, and public benefits.

http://www.glsp.org/extranet/weblinks.htm

Farmers’ Legal Action Group

● FLAG, Farmers’ Legal Action Group, Inc., St. Paul, MN
http://www.flaginc.org/home.htm

“Farmers’ Legal Action Group, Inc. (FLAG) is a “nonprofit law center dedicated to providing legal services to family farmers and their rural communities in order to help keep family farmers on the land. Since its inception, FLAG has provided an extensive array of legal services to financially distressed farmers and their advocates and attorneys nationwide.”

http://www.flaginc.org/flag/history.htm

“By providing legal education, backup support, impact litigation, and legislative and administrative technical assistance services to its client organizations, FLAG continues to play a key role in preserving the family farm system of agriculture in this country.”

✔ LINKS  http://www.flaginc.org/links.htm

➤ Comprehensive List of Links; “ROCKIN’” Web Site; not limited to Midwest

See, for example, links to FPA, Farm Preservation Advocacy Project, FLAG news, the text of the daily “Federal Register” (federal regulations, including proposed and emergency), case summaries, publications and articles.

In addition, FLAG links include agriculture information, agriculture organizations, newspapers and magazines, sustainable agriculture and organic farming, farmers’ unions, USDA sites, other federal government sites, state departments of agriculture, state government sites, legal services offices (including Minnesota and Texas), pro bono sites, sites for children (4-H), and other sites of interest.

➤ Scroll down to see the great “FLAG Staff Picks” at the end of the list.

5. General Legal Research Strategies for Finding Secondary Sources

Several research strategies will help you find resource materials by topic. These resources may be in print, or in an electronic format such as a CD-ROM or “on the Web.”

Among the Web-based products, you may use fee-based services such as Westlaw, LexisNexis, LOISlaw and Versus law. Other sources are free, including Findlaw (owned by the same company that owns Westlaw), LexisONE (a free LexisNexis product for smaller firms), Hieros Gamos, LLRX, and Cornell’s Legal Information Institute (LII).
Some other sites include full-text “commentary” or what we call “secondary sources” such as:

- memos at law firm sites,
- news stories,
- documents at governmental sites,
- messages from interested parties published on organizations’ sites,
- statements and research compiled by organizations,
- bibliographies and “pathfinders” at academic sites,
- tutorials at academic or vendor sites,
- lists of Web links compiled by individuals, organizations, attorneys, academics such as professors and librarians, citizens, private companies and government officials, and full-text of books and articles, including law reviews.

A. To **learn more about using the Internet** to locate information of all types, see the excellent **tutorials** at the University of California Berkeley site [http://www.lib.berkeley.edu/TeachingLib/Guides/Internet/FindInfo.html](http://www.lib.berkeley.edu/TeachingLib/Guides/Internet/FindInfo.html)

B. To start searching, see the University of California Berkeley’s useful **Three Step Program** [http://www.lib.berkeley.edu/Help/search.html](http://www.lib.berkeley.edu/Help/search.html)

1. First, good places to start, including the **search engine**, Google Advanced.
2. Second, “Best” **search engines**, including Alta Vista Advanced.

3. Third, **Directories**.
   
   Directories are comprehensive sites arranged by subjects.
   
   For **legal sources**, use these directories: Legal Information Institute, Findlaw, Hieros Gamos, and other sites listed at ✪LexNotes [http://www.lexnotes.com/sources/catalogs.shtml](http://www.lexnotes.com/sources/catalogs.shtml)

   In addition, you may want to search the “**invisible web.**”
   
   
   ✗ Choose a category and find the search engines for useful sites.
   

   ✪Online **Tutorials** and Help -- See strategies and suggestions at end of page [http://www.lib.berkeley.edu/Help/search.html](http://www.lib.berkeley.edu/Help/search.html)

C. To **find texts**, including books such as nutshells, hornbooks, treatises and looseleaf services, look in a **topical bibliography**, a legal research guide or a pathfinder. These are “published” on many academic Web sites. You may also search library catalogs.


   Comprehensive list of legal guides or “pathfinders.”

   After you locate some text titles that seem relevant, run a **title** search in a library’s online catalog, identify the call number, and retrieve the text either in print or electronically. Remember, you may be able to borrow books using interlibrary loan.

D. To **find** another very helpful type of text, a Continuing Legal Education (CLE) publication, think of these publishers: a state’s state bar association, National Business Institute (NBI), Practicing Law Institute (PLI), or American Law Institute-American Bar Association (ALI-
To find these publications, run a keyword or title search in the library’s online catalog or an author or publisher search.

Expand the catalog record to “full” and look at two helpful pieces of information in the record: 1) the Library of Congress (LC) Subject Headings and 2) the call number assigned to the text.

Run searches in the electronic library catalog using the Library of Congress subject heading(s).

Finally, browse in the reference, reserve, and regular stacks for more titles with similar call numbers.

For example, a MadCat (electronic catalog) search using keywords “judgment AND Wisconsin AND collect?” retrieved this record:

**Successful Judgment Collections in Wisconsin**

Author: Kenneth J. Doran
Publisher: National Business Institute (a CLE publisher), 1999

**Subjects Headings:** (TIP: To find works in another jurisdiction, just add that state’s name.)
- Debtor and creditor--Wisconsin.
- Collection laws--Wisconsin.
- Judgments--Wisconsin.
- Executions (Law)--Wisconsin.

Location: Law Library (regular stacks; second floor, south wing)
Call Number: KFW 2620 A75 S83 1999

Searching by any of the Library of Congress subject headings listed in this record will retrieve more texts on this subject.

Texts about Wisconsin law will begin with the Call Number KFW. (Remember, KF signifies a book on “American law.” The third letter after KF is usually the first letter of a state name.)

E. To find texts on the Web, call the publishers’ “help” lines. Companies that “publish” electronic texts include West Group, Aspen Law and Business, Legal Education Division (part of LOISlaw) or other publishers.

**Helplines:** Westlaw 1-800-ref-atty  Lexis/Nexis 1-800-45-lexis  LOISlaw 1-800-364-2512  Aspen 1-800-317-3113

F. To find more texts, you may also search the library catalog called “WorldCat” by keywords or Library of Congress subject headings. Ask a reference librarian for help with this search.

To speak to a law librarian, you may use AskLaw Live, a new “interactive” reference service offered by the law librarians at the University of Wisconsin-Madison Law Library Monday through Friday, 1:00 to 5:00 pm. See the link at the very bottom of the Law Library’s Web page [http://library.law.wisc.edu/](http://library.law.wisc.edu/) for more information.

G. To locate bankruptcy texts, search the Library of Congress subject headings and browse call number “ranges” shown in the following record:
Bankruptcy and Other Debtor-Creditor Laws in a Nutshell
(successor to Debtor-creditor law in a nutshell)
Author: David G. Epstein.
Subject Heading: Debtor and creditor--United States.

Location: Law Library Reserve Collection, ask for it at Circulation Desk
Call Number: KF 1501 Z9 E67 1995

H. To locate texts on estate planning, wills and trusts, search the Library of Congress subject headings and browse call number “ranges” shown in the following record:

Author: William M. McGovern
Title: Wills, trusts, and estates: including taxation and future interests
Edition: 2d ed.
Publisher: West Group, 2001.
Series: Hornbook series
Subject Headings:
- Wills--United States.
- Trusts and trustees--United States.
- Future interests--United States.
- Inheritance and transfer tax--Law and legislation--United States.
- Trusts and trustees--Taxation--United States.

Location: Law Library Reserve Collection, Ask for it at Circulation Desk
Call Number: KF 755 M34 2001

Other Helpful titles in West's Nutshell Series include books in the following list.
(In the following list, call numbers are from the University of Wisconsin-Madison Law Library, but the call numbers assigned by other law libraries that use the Library of Congress classification system will be the same or very similar.)

Uniform Probate Code in a Nutshell
Lawrence H. Averill, Jr.
5th ed. West Group, 2001
Reserve KF 765 A994 2001

Real Property in a Nutshell
Roger Bernhardt
4th ed. West Group, 2000
Reserve KF 570 Z9 B4 2000

Legal Research in a Nutshell
Morris L. Cohen
7th ed. West Group, 2000
KF 240 C6 2000

Pretrial Litigation in a Nutshell
R. Lawrence Dessem
3d ed. West Group, 2001
Reserve KF 8900 D49 2001

Bankruptcy and Related Law in a Nutshell
David G. Epstein
6th ed. West Group, 2002
Reserve KF 1501 Z9E67 2002

Environmental Law in a Nutshell
Roger W. Findley
5th ed. West Group, 2000
Reserve KF 3775 Z9F56 2000

State and Local Taxation and Finance in a Nutshell
M. David Gelfand et al.
West Group, 2000
Reserve KF 6720 Z9 G45 2000

Modern Public Land Law in a Nutshell
Robert L. Glicksman
2d ed. West Group, 2001
Reserve KF 5605 G58 2001

Introduction to the Study and Practice of Law In a Nutshell
Kenney Hegland
3d ed. West Group, 2000
Reserve KF 273 H43 2000

Appellate Advocacy in a Nutshell
Alan D. Hornstein
2d ed. West Group, 1998
Reserve KF 9050 Z9 1998

Consumer Protection Law in a Nutshell
3d ed. West Group, 1999
Reserve KF 1610 E68 1999

Wills and Trusts in a Nutshell
Robert L. Mennell
2d ed. West Group 1994
Reserve KF 755 Z9 M38 1994

Contracts in a Nutshell
Claude D. Rohwer and Anthony M. Skrocki.
5th ed., West Group, 2000
Reserve KF 801 Z9 S3 2000

Legal Interviewing and Counseling in a Nutshell
3d ed., West Group, 1997
Reserve KF 300 Z9 S45 1997

Land Use in a Nutshell
Robert R. Wright and Morton Gitelman.
4th ed., West Group, 2000
Reserve KF 5698 Z9 W74 2000
6. Westlaw Strategies: Finding secondary sources on Westlaw

www.lawschool.westlaw.com

1. Use the Directory “Drill Down” Strategy
   Sign on and then, at the bottom of the “Welcome” screen,
   click on “View Westlaw Directory”
   Click on Topic/Practice Areas
   Click on “Bankruptcy”
   Click on Forms, Treatises, CLEs, Other Practice Material –
   Click on Herzog’s Bankruptcy Forms and Practice
   Click the green “i” to see “Table of Contents”
   Tip: In the search box, type ci(bkrfp & contents)
   This search will pull up Table of Contents
   Click links to retrieve sections of text

   ✔ You may follow this same “drill down” strategy with some other treatises, CLEs or other books
   Click the “back” button to return to the list of forms, treatises, CLEs under “Bankruptcy”
   E.g., Law of Distressed Real Estate
   Norton Bankruptcy Law and Practice 2d ed.
   Tax Aspects of Bankruptcy Law and Practice, 3d ed.

   ✔ Remember, under a topic, click on “Forms, Treatises, CLEs, Other Practice Material”

   ✔ To select another research “topic,” scroll up to the top of the frame and click on the blue words “Topical Materials by Area of Practice”
   E.g., see Estate Planning and Probate
   Includes title Estate Planning for Farmers and Ranchers 2002
   see Native American Law (very little coverage)
   see Real Property (Includes Williston on Contracts 4th ed.)

   ✔ To return to earlier search results, click on “Research Trail” link at the top of the page

2. Use the Table of Contents service to find relevant information
   West describes its Table of Contents service as “a convenient way to browse the table of contents for a publication, and view a document in the context of the sections surrounding it and retrieve related sections.”

   Click on the words “Table of Contents” at the top of the Westlaw “Welcome” screen
   Click on “Topical Secondary Sources and Forms” in the left frame
   Click on the plus sign next to the word “Bankruptcy”
   Browse through the list and click on the green “i” for information
   Click on the title of a source, e.g., Herzog’s Bankruptcy
   Browse through the Table of Contents for Herzog
   Click on the plus sign to see list of sections
   Click on hyperlinks to retrieve text
   Click minus sign to “go back” to TOC

   ➤ Practice tip: While you are working with West’s Table of Contents service, right click on the words “Table of Contents” at the top of the screen. You will open the first page, with the instructions, in another window.

   ➤ Practice tip: Click on the category “General Secondary Sources and Forms” in the Table of
Contents left frame to retrieve a variety of secondary sources such as a legal encyclopedia.

3. One of the most respected treatises on bankruptcy is Norton Bankruptcy Law and Practice 2d ed. (with periodic updates). The Westlaw database identifier for this multi-volume work is NRTN-BLP

✓ Power Tip: To browse through the Table of Contents for Norton Bankruptcy Law and Practice, go to the “Welcome” screen, type database identifier NRTN-BLP in the database box at the bottom at the searcher screen, scroll down and click on the words “Table of Contents” at the very bottom of the screen. Click on the plus sign to expand the list Click on the hyperlinks to view the text

✓ Power Tip: To browse through the Index for Norton Bankruptcy Law and Practice, go to the “Welcome” screen, type the database identifier NRTN-BLP in the database box at the bottom
Enter this query in the searcher box: ci(index)
The Index is a very long document divided into 11 parts.

✓ Bankruptcy is a difficult subject and without some more background, it will be very difficult to retrieve the relevant parts of the Norton text. Therefore, to get some background in bankruptcy law,
➢ read the bankruptcy nutshell,
➢ read the introduction to a hornbook on bankruptcy (see Bankruptcy by David G. Epstein. Call the West reference attorney to see if this is online 1-800-refatty),
➢ read the general discussion of bankruptcy in a legal encyclopedia such as American Jurisprudence 2d (on LexisNexis and Westlaw) or Corpus Juris Secundum (on Westlaw) or NOLO Press encyclopedia at http://www.nolo.com

4. KeySearch is a new service on Westlaw. This service allows you to find primary sources (court opinions in specific jurisdictions) or selected secondary sources (e.g., legal encyclopedia articles and law review articles) on selected broad topics.

The KeySearch hierarchy is based on West’s “topic and key number” system. When you access KeySearch, Westlaw runs “enhanced” topic and key number searches for you. You may also “refine” a KeySearch search by adding your own terms and connectors.

To run a KeySearch search, you will use both a “drill down” strategy and terms and connectors search strategies.

For example, go to the Westlaw “Welcome” screen
Click on the word KeySearch at the top of the screen
Scroll down through the list of “topics”
Click on “Indigenous Peoples”
Click on “Land Allotment, Partition, and Alienation”
Choose: Cases with West headnotes
Wisconsin Cases
All Federal Cases

In search box, type: oneida /s (wisconsin or wisc or wis)
Click on “search” and review the retrieved cases (10 on 5/28/03)

➢ Westlaw ran a topic 209 (Indians) & key number 9 (lands) search with the additional terms alienat*** or allot! or partition*** and our terms to retrieve the 10 cases.
To find law review articles on this same subject, choose Journals and law reviews. Click on “search” and review the 3 articles Westlaw retrieved.

5. Westlaw also provides “live help” or “web chat” during the day and early evening hours. Look for the white word “help” at the top right of the screen. You may choose to “speak” to a “live person” via your computer or use the “help topics” selection of pull-down menus for more information. Live Help is available Monday through Friday, 7:00 am to 12:00 am.

6. Westlaw Tours and Tutorials are very helpful. See pull down menu at bottom of page http://lawschool.westlaw.com/help/default.asp or http://www.westlaw.com/Tours/

You can complete these tutorials at your own pace and ask the reference attorneys for help when you have questions. The reference attorneys’ number is 1-800-ref-atty.

7. On Westlaw, the state database identifier is its postal abbreviation.

   ✓ On Westlaw, the Wisconsin Statutes INDEX database is WI-ST-IDX

   ✓ On Westlaw, the Wisconsin Administrative Code database is WI-ADC

8. Miscellaneous “power tips” for Westlaw research strategies

   ✓ To speed your access to frequently-used sources, customize your “Welcome” screen with up to six tabs along the top of the page.

   To choose your personal tabs, click on the word Westlaw at the top of the “Welcome” screen and follow the directions on the screens.

   ✓ If you know the citation for a primary source or a secondary source, type the citation in the FIND dialog box. You may also choose a template.

   ✓ To save time, always look at the “scope” note for a database. You will learn what is included and what is not. You will also see helpful searches, including how to access the Table of Contents and/or an index. The scope screen appears when you click the “white i in the green circle.”

   ✓ To find relevant information, read secondary sources first. This will give you a “framework prepared by an expert,” complete with analysis, background, vocabulary, legal principles, the expert’s thoughts and helpful cites to primary sources and other secondary sources the author has read.

   ✓ To find sources on a specific subject or specific title, type IDEN in the database dialog box on the “Welcome” screen, click “Go,” type a few words or a phrase (in quotation marks) that describes the law you are seeking. Review the retrieved list in the left frame.

   The IDEN database is the electronic version of the Westlaw database “directory.” Therefore, it includes descriptions of all the databases and titles of all the documents in the databases – the text of the “scope” notes.

   ✓ Use the thesaurus to add more terms to a search and thereby increase the chances that the computer will retrieve useful documents. You may use the thesaurus in both “terms and connectors” and “natural language.”

   ✓ To save time, look at the “fields,” or naturally occurring parts of the document you are going to search. “Field searching” is efficient. For example, in a court opinion database, you may limit
the search to the *synopsis* written by the West editors and the headnotes, (also called *digests*)
also written by the editors. The fields search in a court opinion would look like this:

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sy,di ( Your Search Terms Here )
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✓ In a *statutory* database, you may limit your search to the *preliminary* field and the *caption* field.
Your search will include the title of the chapter, sub-chapter etc. and the caption for each section
of the statutory compilation. These are written by the revisor of statutes, and may include more
common words than the actual text of the statutes themselves. This field search in statutes
would look like this:

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pr,ca ( Your Search Terms Here )
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✓ To *save money and time* when you want to search *many jurisdictions* at the same time, choose a
*topical* database rather than a mega-database such as “all state and federal cases.”

✓ If you are monitoring a fast-breaking news story or you want to see the latest court opinions from a
particular jurisdiction that contain certain terms, set up a *West Clip* search. This is like a
personal “clipping” service.

To access West Clip, look at the far right side at the top of the screen. There you find a
pull-down menu with the word “more” in it. This pull-down menu is sometimes referred to
as the *“stealth” menu* because it includes some little-known but powerful features of
Westlaw.

Click on the down-arrow next to the word “more” and select West Clip. Click on the
blue words “create an entry” in the left frame and follow directions.

✓ To select specific *printing* options, click on the pull-down menu at the top right that says “more” in it.
Select “options.” Then, click on the blue words “print & download” in the left frame and choose
your options. These will take effect in your next research session, after you sign off and sign on
again.

✓ You may *fax* or *e-mail* documents you retrieve to save time and printing costs.
✓ Remember, you are charged for *downloading* at the same rate as printing when you are paying for
Westlaw. To select an alternative “save” feature such as e-mail or fax, click on the pull-down
menu at the top right that says “more” in it. Select “options.” Then, click on the blue words “print
& download” in the left frame and choose your options. These will take effect in your next
research session, after you sign off and sign on again

✓ To *save* printing charges, use your browser’s “*copy and paste*” feature.

http://www.lexisnexis.com/lawschool/

1. *Collier on Bankruptcy* is another leading bankruptcy treatise; it is on Lexis and also in many law
libraries.
   Author: Lawrence P. King, editor-in chief
   Edition: 15th ed., Revised
   Publisher: Matthew Bender, 1996-
Notes: 22 volumes; loose-leaf; with forms
   Includes separately-numbered appendix volumes, index volume and table of cases
Subject: Bankruptcy--United States.

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➢ To locate Collier on Bankruptcy on LexisNexis, you may begin with “find a source” a gray tab in the very middle of the first screen you see when you sign on.
   Click on “find a source” tab
      Type collier on bankruptcy in the box and click on “find”
      Review the list of “collier bankruptcy” titles
      Click on any letter “i” to see the scope and content of an item
      Click on a title to retrieve the Table of Contents
      Click on any plus sign to expand the TOC
      Click on hyperlinks to retrieve text

➢ After you have retrieved relevant sections of Collier, look at the hierarchical list of resources near the top of the text on the screen. You may access any of the more “general” levels by clicking on the blue hyperlinks to that item or items.
   E.g., when you are viewing Collier, click on “treatises and analytical materials”
   Click on the name of another publisher: Clark Boardman Callaghan
   Click on Norton Bankruptcy Law and Practice 2d
   Read the overview and scroll down to the end of the screen
   Click on “Search using Norton Table of Contents”
      Note that you can click on “HELP” or click TOC
      You may also click “DISPLAY CONTENTS IN OUTLINE FORM, SUITABLE FOR PRINTING”
      This detailed outline will be helpful in research

2. Another strategy on Lexis/Nexis that allows you to “drill down” through broad legal topics is the search advisor.
   This service will “run” searches for you in secondary sources such as news and journals.
   These searches are very broad and therefore may not be helpful, especially at the beginning of your research.
   ✔ To run a Search Advisor search, click the tab “Search Advisor” at the top left of the screen.
      You may “drill down” through the hierarchy of subjects,
      but a better strategy is to type a word or phrase in the searcher box.
      Type: native americans and click “find” (type indigenous peoples and compare)
      Review the list of retrieved databases
      Click the letter “l” to see what is included in this topic
      Under “governments” “native americans,” click “property rights”
   ➢ Next, click “law reviews combined,” and LexisNexis runs a complex search we cannot “see”
      LexisNexis retrieves 100 documents “ranked” by “relevance” — terms in closest proximity
      You may “focus” on particular words in these retrieved documents
      Click on the word “focus” at the top of the screen
      Type this search in the box oneida /s (wicinon or wisc or wis)
      On 5/28/03, LexisNexis retrieved 8 documents
      Click on the words “show hits” at the top of the screen
      Browse through the 8 documents
      Retrieve/ read any that seem helpful

➢ LexisNexis and Westlaw do not “work” the same way and therefore you may want to use both.
As another example, you may want to “drill down” using the topic “bankruptcy.” LexisNexis Search Advisor will lead you to the treatise *Collier on Bankruptcy*. 

E.g., the following “search string” will lead directly to Chapter 7 and rules in *Collier:*

All Topics > Bankruptcy Law > Chapter 7 (Liquidation) > Discharge

Using Search Advisor sometimes requires more familiarity with a topic than Westlaw’s KeySearch, but once you have selected the specific “sub-category” of your topic, LexisNexis may retrieve “more specific” results.

Be careful. You have to read and analyze the law and then apply it to the client’s facts.

3. Lexis/Nexis has added several very helpful tutorials to its Web site. To access these tutorials, go to the law school homepage [http://www.lexisnexis.com/lawschool/](http://www.lexisnexis.com/lawschool/)

In the list on the left side of the screen, click ”Tutorials,” scroll down and then select “Take a Tour of the LexisNexis Research System on www.lexis.com”

These tutorials are a basic overview of basic legal research information and strategies.

Be sure to go through the “Shepard’s” tutorial because this service has been upgraded.

4. LexisNexis news service is unparalleled! To access and search in the news databases, click on the gray tab “news and business” near the center of the first screen. Select from the specific databases displayed. Then, write and run terms and connectors or natural language searches.

5. To retrieve a document when you have the citation, use LexisNexis Get a Document service. Click on the Get a Document tab at the top of the page.

   Click the blue words “citation formats” to see the correct abbreviation for your document
   Type the name of the document in the search box and click “find”
   E.g., I typed “indian law review” and LexisNexis reprieved three possible documents
   None of the abbreviations matched my search
   I did find the periodical “American Indian Law Review”
   Click on an abbreviation and fill in a citation
   LexisNexis will retrieve the document for your review

   Note that you may also retrieve a document by “party name” (case) or “docket number”
   Note that you may see the description of any database by clicking on the letter “i”

6. LexisNexis is also very powerful when you want to research in secondary sources.

   On Lexis/Nexis these “commentary sources” include:
   the national legal encyclopedia, *American Jurisprudence 2d*,
   selected state legal encyclopedias (look for the word “jurisprudence” in the title, e.g., Texas),
   selected treatises by area of practice and geographic regions,
   law review articles,
   news articles (one of LexisNexis’ strengths),
   journal articles,
   *American Law Reports* (ALR),
   practice and procedure texts, many with legal forms,
   Restatements,
   publications of publishers such as Tax Analysts, Matthew Bender, BNA, Clark Boardman, ABA &
continuing legal education materials from ALI-ABA and Practising Law Institute (PLI).

7. If you want to “focus” your search more narrowly, search in LexisNexis “segments,” the “naturally occurring parts of a document.”
   E.g., I often use the “headline” segment when I search in the “news” databases.
   In the “news” database, run this search: headline(west virginia /s min!)
   You will retrieve stories that are about mines, miners and mining in West Virginia, not just stories that mention mines or mining and West Virginia.

   >Note: I use the connector “within the same sentence” or /s when I’m running a segment search in the headline segment of documents because I know headlines are usually quite short and thus a “within the same sentence” connector works well.

✓ In a search for law review articles, use the “author” segment to retrieve documents by a particular author such as a professor or judge.
   An author segment search would look like this author(jane /s larson)

✓ View (or browse) a list of citations of the retrieved documents using “show hits.” This permits you to select relevant documents more quickly and easily because you will see your search terms with several words on either side of them.

✓ View a document in KWIC (KEY WORD IN CONTEXT) mode. You will see each time your terms appear with 25 words on either side of them. You may also download, e-mail or print your documents in KWIC and save paper, yet have enough information to make wise choices about which documents you will read in full.

✓ Shepardize court opinions to see if they have been mentioned in the annotations to a state statute (only for those states for which Lexis Publishing publishes the state statutes. Call the Lexis Helpline 1-800-45-LEXIS to learn more about which state statutes Lexis publishes.)