LEGAL RESEARCH AND WRITING RESOURCES: RECENT PUBLICATIONS

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Prepared for use by the general public, this volume covers such issues as housing, personal finance, family and domestic concerns, employment-related issues, personal injury, and community problems.


A standard text for use by Canadian students since 1969, this new edition represents a substantial updating of the 5th edition.


Part of "A Sesquicentennial History" symposium about the University of North Carolina School of Law, this article describes the law library's growth and development, in good times and in bad, over the last 50 years.


Two West Publishing Company employees discuss why they believe a vendor-neutral citation system is not necessary in the United States.


This bibliography covers general sources, international sale of goods, international commercial arbitration and conciliation, international transport, international payments, guaranty letters, and procurement.


An unannotated bibliography with references arranged alphabetically under articles, books, international legal documents, and U.S. congressional materials.


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A part of the Marian Gould Gallagher Law Library Research Study Series at the University of Washington, this volume is designed for use by those researching Washington state law.


Three law librarians—Leah Chanin (DC), Pamela F. Gregory (Maryland), and Sarah K. Wiant (Virginia)—have joined forces to prepare this volume on legal research covering their respective states.


This new edition, like its predecessor, provides a discussion of how to read legal materials and is followed by sections on how to write legal documents and how to create specific legal documents. An appendix gives an overview of English sentence structure.
A Citation Manual for European Community Materials, 18 Fordham Int’l L.J. 694 (1994). The editors of the Fordham International Law Journal have developed their own citation manual for EC materials. This source is more extensive than The Bluebook and the citation conventions used are often different as well.


The European Legal Book Index (1994). [Holmes Beach, FL: Wm. W. Gaunt & Sons, Inc., U.S. distributor, looseleaf] Published twice a year, this publication lists the latest law publications from Europe. English-language books include a description of the contents. Includes some reviews.

Jill Anne Farmer, Making the Most of the Small Law Library, 31 Trial 66 (1995). Argues that a well-run law library, regardless of the types of formats found in it, is a valuable resource for those who need to use it.


Gregor C. Heinrich, Funds Transfer, Payments, and Payments Systems—International Initiatives Towards Legal Harmonization, 28 Int’l L.J. 787 (1994). Arranged under eight categories, this bibliography lists the various initiatives, most of which are statutory, that are directed toward the legal harmonization in the European Union.

G. Nicholas Herman, A Practical System for Legal Research, 21 N.C. Cent. L.J. 85 (1995). This essay “addresses how to get started, what research sources to consult and in what order, what authorities to choose, and a method for preserving research so that it can be retrieved effectively when writing a legal memorandum or brief.” Id.


Vivian Catherine Jones, Legal Research for Non-Lawyers: A Self Study Program (1994). [Chicago, IL: Special Libraries Association, 102 p.] This workbook, prepared by a non-lawyer, uses recent civil and criminal matters to garner the user’s attention. Secondary materials, basic to understanding legal principles, are presented prior to primary materials.


Chin Kim, Uniform International System of Citation: The Bluebook 15, 42 Am. J. Comp. L. 785 (1994). Essentially a review of the 15th edition of The Bluebook, the article points out problems associated with citing international legal materials and suggests that UNESCO might be a proper group to develop uniformity.
Contains references to almost 200 articles and books. Arranged under 10 major topics with subtopics underneath.

Seven separate articles address the good and bad points inherent within law reviews. The symposium concludes with "A View from the Inside" by the executive board of this review.

"[T]his selected annotated bibliography is limited to a chronology of the litigation and commentary depicting the treatment of African-Americans in the education process from 1950 to 1992." *Id.* at 24.

Louis Miranda, *Legal Citation Practice in Canada: Uniform or Uninformed*, 19 Canadian Law Libr. 81 (1994).
This review of the McGill Law Journal's *Canadian Guide to Uniform Legal Citation* highlights the pitfalls of the publication, while noting that it attempts to do for Canada what the *Bluebook* does for the United States.

Prepared as a companion to a symposium issue in the same publication, this bibliography "includes citations to books, monographs, and journal articles that provide critical insights and background information on EPPs and related legal and policy issues." *Id.*

An unannotated bibliography arranged by books and monographs, legal literature, nonlegal literature, related bibliographies, and dissertations and conference papers.

This essay describes the work and benefits of Scribes, The American Society of Writers on Legal Subjects.

[New York, NY: Matthew Bender & Co., Inc., 103 p., plus appendices]
The eight chapters aptly describe the scope of coverage: Make Your Argument Clear and Credible; Write a Well Organized Argument; Adopt a Persuasive Writing Style; State Your Facts Persuasively; Make Equity and Policy Arguments; Use Precedent Persuasively; Writing for Nonlegal Audiences; and Writing for Legal Audiences.

A partnership tax problem is analyzed via a computer interactive experiment. The results show that those with procedural knowledge handle time pressures better than those without this knowledge.

Advocates that those who teach legal research integrate both manual and CALR instruction into the experience, discusses the current state of student research skills, and describes how Brooklyn Law School has responded via its legal research program.

Designed to assist first-year Canadian law students in learning about the legal research tools in Canada and the United Kingdom.

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