Resources for Law Review Editors

Advice & Help for Editors


Dictionaries

- Bieber’s Dictionary of Legal Abbreviations, Res. & Ref. KF246 .B46
- Bieber’s Dictionary of Legal Citations, KF246 .P73
- Black’s Law Dictionary, Reference Room
- Bouvier’s Law Dictionary, Reference Room, definitions used before 1928 (before Black’s).
- Words and Phrases, definitions from case law, located in Reference Room following the American Jurisprudence legal encyclopedia.

The Bluebook


Online Resources for Learning Legal Citation

- The Center for Computer Assisted Legal Instruction (CALI) The CALI website has excellent online learning programs/exercises for almost all law school courses, including legal research and writing. See http://www2.cali.org/index.php?fuseaction=lessons.home.
- Introduction to Basic Legal Citation by Peter Martin (LII 2007 ed.), at Cornell University's Legal Information Institute (LII), at http://www.law.cornell.edu/citation/.

Law Review Writing

- Ethical Legal Writing, 21 Rev. Litig. 527 (2002)
- Plain English for Lawyers, Res., Ref. & Main, KF250 .W
- Practicing Plagiarism, 81 Ill. B.J. 487 (1993)
Legal Research Treatises and Online Pathfinders

- *Finding the Law*, KF240 .B45
- *How to Find the Law*, Res. KF 240 .C538
- *Legal Research in the District of Columbia, Maryland and Virginia*, Res. KF240 .C472


CALI Legal Research lessons, at [http://www2.cali.org](http://www2.cali.org)

Legal Secretary's Handbooks

- *Legal Secretary Federal Litigation*, KF319 .E93 (looseleaf)

PDF Copies of Sources

- **Cases:** Westlaw
- **Law Review Articles:** HeinOnline has complete databases for many journals.
- **Microforms:** Many libraries have extensive microform collections.

Pre-emption Checking

- University of Chicago Law School Library, [http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/law/db/ej/preemption.html](http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/law/db/ej/preemption.html)

Style Resources

- **Forms of Address:** *Merriam Webster’s College Dictionary*, Reference Room

Style Guides for Legal Writing

- *Guide to Legal Style*, Res. KF250 .L3913
- *Plain English for Lawyers*, KF250 .W9

Style and Grammar Guides

- *The Elements of Style*, PE1408 .S772

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