Law Library

Law Library Details

Reference staff hours

- Fall and Spring Semesters
  - Monday-Thursday 8am-9pm
  - Friday 8am-5pm
  - Saturday-Sunday 1pm-5pm
- Summer
  - Monday-Friday 8:30am-6pm
- Intersessions
  - Monday-Friday 8:30am-6pm

Referrals during open hours in order of preference:

- Telephone: 608-262-3394
- IM from: http://library.law.wisc.edu/
- Email: askuwlaw@law.wisc.edu

Referrals during closed hours:

- Email: askuwlaw@law.wisc.edu

Turnaround time:

We will respond to the question by the next business day

Anyone excluded?

Reference assistance is intended primarily for current students, faculty and staff of UW-Madison. Anyone may contact us, but we can only provide limited assistance to those outside of the campus community.

Background Links

Email: askuwlaw@law.wisc.edu
Phone: 608-262-3394
Website: http://library.law.wisc.edu/
Hours: http://library.law.wisc.edu/information/hours/index.htm
Tutorials: http://library.law.wisc.edu/services/find/guides/subject/index.html
Staff: http://library.law.wisc.edu/about/staff/index.html
FAQ: http://library.law.wisc.edu/help/faq/index.html

Primary User Groups

- faculty, staff and students of the UW Law School
- UW, generally
- legal information for the State of Wisconsin

Does, Does Nots, and Common Questions

Law Library Does

- Help locate state and/or federal legislation or legislative history materials
- Help locate judicial opinions and briefs
- Help determine if a judicial opinion is still considered good law ("Shepardize")
- Help locate state and/or federal regulations
- Help locate foreign or international legal materials
- Help locate Wisconsin jury instructions
- Help locate legal journal article(s)
- Help locate legal texts, including treatises, hornbooks, nutshells, etc.
- Help locate select Wisconsin and federal government documents

Law Library Does Not

- Interpret the law as it applies to specific facts of explain the substantive content of statutes and case law. Our assistance does not constitute legal advice.
  Refer Instead -> State Bar's Lawyer Referral and Information Service (1-800-362-9082) Wis only
- More legal advice referrals
  Refer Instead -> "Low Cost Legal Resources in Dane County": http://law.wisc.libguides.com/lowcost

Law Library Common Questions

Questions in these Subject Areas

- Government documents
• Law - state, federal, foreign and international

**Extensive Help with these Databases**

• Access UN
• BNA Online (available in Law School Only)
• Criminal Justice Abstracts (Quarterly) (CSA)
• Hein Online (Law)
• Index to Foreign Legal Periodicals
• Index to Legal Periodicals Full Text & Retrospective
• Intelliconnect (CCH)
• LexisNexis (for Law School students, faculty & staff only)
• LexisNexis Academic
• LexisNexis Congressional
• LLMC Digital (Law Library Microform Consortium)
• Making of Modern Law
• RIA Checkpoint
• United Nations Treaty Collection
• Westlaw (for Law School students, faculty & staff only)
• Westlaw Patron Access (available in Law Library only)
• Wisconsin Briefs
• Wisconsin Legislative Drafting Records

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