

# Who, What, Where, When, and How? Legislative Research When You've Reached the End of What You Know

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*Or, as we like to call it, “Where the #%^%\$ is that thing???”*

# Agenda

- Review some important publications
- Review a few tough questions
- Tips for researchers
- Your questions and suggestions

# Review Major Publications

- House and Senate Journals
- Calendars
- CRI DD
- Historical Indexes (Tables of the Annotated ...)
- Boyd & Rips Chapter 3
- Other textbooks: Schmeckebier; Morehead; Hartnett et al; Caro; Simmons)

## JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES *Daily Digest*

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Senate

### *Chamber Action*

*Routine Proceedings, pages S113–S142*

**Measures Introduced:** Eight bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2285–2292, and S. Res. 371. Page S128

#### **Measures Reported:**

S. 1693, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to clarify that section 230 of that Act does not prohibit the enforcement against providers and users of interactive computer services of Federal and State criminal and civil law relating to sex trafficking, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 115–199) Page S138

#### **Measures Passed:**

**Universal Service Fund Filing Requirements:** Senate passed S. 875, to require the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study and submit a report on filing requirements under the Universal Service Fund programs, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. Pages S141–42

**Brown Nomination—Agreement:** Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Michael

Judge for the Western District of Texas, all post-cloture time be considered expired at 1:45 p.m., and Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination of Walter David Counts III, with no intervening action or debate. Page S127

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination, post-cloture, at approximately 10 a.m., on Thursday, January 11, 2018. Page S142

**Nomination Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By a unanimous vote of 98 yeas (Vote No. EX. 5), Thomas Lee Robinson Parker, of Tennessee, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee. Pages S124, S142

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Paul C. Ney, Jr., of Tennessee, to be General Counsel of the Department of Defense.

Holly W. Greaves, of the District of Columbia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Environmental Protection Agency. Page S142

**Messages from the House:** Page S138

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND HISTORY OF LEGISLATION

LEGISLATIVE DAY 137

CALENDAR DAY 138

# Reference Questions

- Was there a hearing?
- Has this hearing been published?
- What happened in this committee on “x” day? Was there a report?
- Where did this bill text come from?
- When you need a full text search what language do you use?
- Early reports of people of color in the military
- Presidential Nominee Biography Sheets



# Grand Ronde Restoration Hearing



- A patron wants to see the transcript of the Hearing held on
- H.R.3885 - Grand Ronde Restoration Act, in 1983. Neither CGP nor ProQuest Congressional have a record of such a hearing. Congress.gov reports the following in the legislative history of the bill, which became law:
  - 10/18/1983 House Committee Hearings Held.
  - Action By: Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs
  - But ProQuest Congressional mentions no hearings held on that day by that committee.
  - By the way, there is a photo online that is supposedly taken at the hearing:  
<https://oregonhistoryproject.org/articles/historical-records/grand-ronde-restoration-hearing/Wt-QWljwa70>

# Truman Capote

... looking for Truman Capote's testimony before the Senate Committee on Judiciary on July 21, 1966 as part of a series of hearings on the Constitutional implications of *Miranda v. Arizona*. According to the Congressional Record the hearings went on for multiple days but I have not been able to locate a call number for the printed hearings in the MoCat. Suggestions?

Your search found 0 results.  
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- Congressional Record Bound Edition & Predecessors 1789-Present ⓘ
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# Truman Capote (cont)

July 21, 1966

CONGRESSIONAL RECORD — DAILY DIGEST

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Texas. Testimony was received from Senator Yar-

H.R. 10656, a private bill, and (pt. 1753);

the full committee and reported to the Senate.

## LAW ENFORCEMENT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Constitutional Amendments continued its hearings on the matter of constitutional implications affecting law enforcement raised by the recent Supreme Court decision on *Miranda v. Arizona*, having as its witnesses Truman Capote, author of the book "In Cold Blood," and Alvin Dewey, of the Kansas Bureau of Investigation.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

*Poland Anniversary:* The Senate passed amendments to H.R. 139, to provide for the striking of medals to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the founding of Poland, thus authorizing legislation for the White House.

*Tualatin Federal Reclamation:* The House insisted on its amendments to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to continue and maintain the Tualatin Federal reclamation project, Oregon; and agreed to a conference with the Senate.

Capote Assails Crime Decision  
Mackenzie, John  
Boston Globe (1960-1967); Jul 22, 1966; ProQuest Historical Newspapers: The Boston Globe  
pg. 2



(UPI Photo)

CAPOTE TESTIFIES

## Capote Assails Crime Decision

By JOHN P. MacKENZIE  
Washington Post-L. A. Times

WASHINGTON — Truman Capote, novelist and student of the criminal mentality, gave the Senate his opinion Thursday on the state of the criminal law.

The author of "In Cold Blood" did not seem to persuade chairman Birch Bayh (D-Ind.) of the Constitutional Amendments subcommittee that there was something wrong with the Fifth Amendment, but he drew raves from autograph-seeking spectators.

Capote said the law had reached a deplorable state as the result of Supreme Court restrictions on the use of confessions.

He said if *Miranda v. Arizona*, the decision handed down June 13, had been the law in 1959, the two murders featured

# Was there a report? (GOVDOC-L August, 2005)

... legislative history of S. 784 (40-3, 12/7/1868-3/3/1869). According to the Congressional Globe, the bill (to amend the judicial system of the U.S.) was referred to the Comm. on the Judiciary, and then was reported back with an amendment.

I am unable to find a senate report from this time that refers to this bill (I used the Serial Set Index, LexNex Cong Historical section, and the full-text serial set). Am I misinterpreting something here? Can anyone shed light on this?

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## INDEX.

### Senate bills—Continued.

No.	Title and action.	Page.
774	A bill to amend an act entitled "An act regulating the tenure of certain	
783	A bill in regard to the discharge of poor convicts— read twice and referred. ....	112
784	A bill to amend the judicial system of the United States— read twice and referred. .... reported with an amendment. .... considered. .... resumed and debated. .... resumed, amended, read the third time and passed. .... passed the House of Representatives. .... examined and signed. ....	112 187 251 307 326, 327 419 420

FEB. 8, 1869.]

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referred the bill (S. 753) to provide for the execution of judgments in capital cases, reported it without amendment.

Mr. Trumbull, from the Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill (S. 784) to amend the judicial system of the United States, reported it with an amendment.



# What happened in this committee on “x” day? (1/3)

Q: ... Am I correct in thinking that markups only appear in PQ Congressional from 2000 to current? I'm looking for any related to P.L. 93-86 that would have occurred on May 1-9, 1973. Do you know if older markups will ever be added?

Andrea: On the markup - I can't figure out that anything happened on those dates for PL 93-86.

What I did -

- I took a look at both Leg Insight and Congressional and there was nothing there for those dates.
- Then I downloaded the Journals (both House and Senate) for the 93rd Congress and I'm including the screenshots for the relevant sections here. I went to the first mention in each of these and didn't have to look any further. The first mention for both S.1888 and H.R. 8860 is later in May or June.

The first mention in the House Journal (date is 6/27) is about the filing of the report from the same date (H. Rpt 83-337). The report metadata would indicate there are a lot of substitutions etc., in there.

The first mention in the Senate Journal (p.445) dates to May 23, so is after the dates in question.

From what I have seen in markups, they occur either in report language for a bill and sometimes in hearings. It may be that committees published more of it after a certain time, but certainly reports on legislation go waaaay back in the Serial Set, so it isn't like we would only include them after a certain date.

# What happened in this committee on “x” day? (2/3)

Questioner: bill started life as S. 517... unsure where the faculty member obtained the May dates. He had used [govtrack.us](http://govtrack.us), but I don't see the May 1 through 9 (he is unsure which days of the range), 1973, dates therein or in PQ Congressional.... He called markups “business meeting” reports which seems standard. This phrase was new to me actually. The Library here has a few markups. That is, I remember seeing the word Markup in bold on a hearings over the years. I told him I'd check with NAL and NARA. I had offered to email the Clerk, but he plans to do as he'll be in DC in 2 weeks he said.

If I find out anything more, I'll let you know, just to close the loop, or if he has success in DC, I'll let you know that, too. ...

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Andrea: I'll go back and look at S. 517 and see what is there ....

What you're looking at is the Schedule info that includes info on markups scheduled back to 2000. That doesn't mean that that info wasn't included in the database, just that the schedule info (which included those scheduled sessions) started in 2000.

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Questioner: By the way, the date of May 9, 1973, is given as the day the committee completed its work in one of the committee prints. I did followup with an email to the faculty member as to his source for the dates, too.

# What happened ... (3/3)

Andrea: Okay... so I ... finally went to the Daily Digest in the Congressional Record to find out what the ...committee was up to. May 1-8 the entry reads approximately as follows ...

Because they met in executive session, I'm not sure where to look... will ponder that for a bit. I will say that I didn't find any publications from that committee between April 30 and May 17 (and 5/17 was not on point)

On May 9 we have the following item (right)

After this May 9 Daily Digest entry, you have the original bill (aka the new bill from the committee) S.1888 introduced on May 23.

The S. Journal notes the bill is accompanied by S. Rpt 93-173. This report looks like a lot of markup material I have seen – page 98 starts the section “changes in existing law” and really goes line by line about changes and insertions. Page 47 also starts an interesting section.

I did look for a report for the 93rd congress from this committee (some committees do these at the end of each congress) but I didn't see one for this committee.

If what you're looking for isn't in S. Rpt 93-173, then a call to the Center for Legislative Archives <http://www.archives.gov/legislative/> at NARA is probably your best bet to see if there is anything they can tell you about the meetings in executive session.

## *Committee Meetings*

### **FARM LEGISLATION**

*Committee on Agriculture and Forestry:* On Friday, May 4, committee continued, in executive session, to mark up proposed general farm legislation, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again tomorrow.

## *Committee Meetings*

### **FARM LEGISLATION**

*Committee on Agriculture and Forestry:* Committee, in executive session, agreed to file an original bill proposing a 5-year farm program under which producers would be guaranteed target price adjustments annually by the cost of products of \$2.28 per bushel for wheat, \$1.53 per bushel for corn, and \$0.43 per pound for cotton (70 percent of parity for all commodities) through direct payments whenever the 5-month average market price fell below such target prices. The bill would also extend Public Law 480 (Food for Peace) and authorizes open-ended appropriations for the food stamp program for 5 years.

# Where did this bill text come from? (Leg History Research)

... she's trying to track down the history of a particular piece of text in PL 109-351 "Financial Services Regulatory Relief Act of 2006". The chunk of text she's interested in is from an amendment the house put into the Senate bill (in section 305):

"The foregoing standards and limitations apply to investments under this paragraph made by a national bank directly and by its subsidiaries."

→ *What text would you search on? Why?*

# Tips for Best Full Text Searching

## DO this

- Less is more
- Search using the language that wouldn't be changed
- Numbers or #s?
- Know your Adobe Advanced Search Options

(<https://proquest.libguides.com/PDFs>)

## What can go wrong?

- Numbered lines

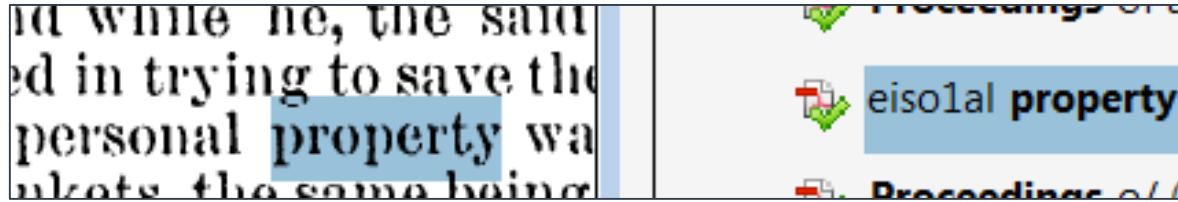
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- Page numbers, not bill numbers, not budget numbers or any other number you actually wanted

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<u>3. Applicants With Farm Assets</u>		
Number of Dependent Applicants with Farm Assets		13,945
Percentage of Dependent Applicants with Farm Assets	7.0%	
Number of Dependent Applicants with Farm Assets who Qualify		5,266
Percentage of Dependent Applicants with Farm Assets who Qualify	37.7%	

TABLE II  
Dependent Applicants by Eligibility Status and Income Range

Dependent Applicants	Income Range						Total
	\$0-2,999	\$3,000-4,499	\$4,500-5,999	\$6,000-8,999	\$9,000-11,999	\$12,000 +	
Qualifying	80.5%	79.3%	77.2%	72.8%	55.0%	13.7%	48.3%
Non Qualifying	19.5%	20.7%	22.8%	27.2%	45.0%	86.3%	51.7%
Total Percentage	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Total Number of Dependent Applicants	18,728	13,173	15,113	35,695	41,239	74,892	198,840
Number of Qualified Dependent Applicants	15,093	10,445	11,668	25,995	22,695	10,221	97,117
Percentage of Qualified Applicants within Each Income Range	15.7%	10.9%	12.1%	27.1%	23.6%	10.6%	100%

Text in the Law :

“The foregoing standards and limitations apply to investments under this paragraph made by a national bank directly and by its subsidiaries.”

Text in the Bill:

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(2) by adding at the end the following new sen-

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tence: “The preceding standards and limitations

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apply to each investment under this paragraph made

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by a national bank directly and by its subsidiaries.”.

# Early Reports of People of Color in the Military

- Patron wanted a 1840's report on people of color in the military.
- *Tables of and Annotated Index to the Congressional Series of United States Public Documents* (1902)
  - ▶ Helpful if you don't have access to electronic Serial Set or a historical collection of documents

	Serial no.	Doc. no.
Army—Continued.		
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27th CONGRESS,  
*2d Session.*                      Doc. No. 282.                      Ho. of REPS.  
*Navy Dept.*

COLORED PERSONS IN THE NAVY OF THE U. S.

LETTER

FROM

THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY,

TRANSMITTING

*The information called for by a resolution of the House of the 1st instant, asking what number of colored persons there are at this time in the navy.*

AUGUST 10, 1842.

Read, and laid upon the table.



# Presidential Nomination Biography Sheet

- Faculty member doing a research project on presidential nominees -- wanted bio sheet for each nominee
- Sometimes called *Nominee Biography Sheet*, sometimes called *Questionnaire for Presidential Nominees*.
- Problem: not all nominees' sheets are published.
- Refer to the Center for Legislative Archives (NARA)

## QUESTIONNAIRE FOR PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEES

PART 1: ALL THE INFORMATION IN THIS PART WILL BE MADE PUBLIC

1. Name: Gordon Hall Mansfield
2. Address: 2401 Daphne Lane, Alexandria, Virginia 22306
3. Position: Assistant Secretary for Congressional Affairs

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4. Date of Nomination: 30 April 2001
5. Birth date: 15 September 1941
6. Birth place: Pittsfield, Massachusetts
7. Marital status: Married to Linda K.C. Mansfield
8. Children, age: Gordon, age 29; Leon, age 28
9. Education: Institution (city, state), dates attended, degrees received, dates of degrees.  
University of Miami Law School; 1971-1973; Juris Doctor; June 1973  
Washington College of Law; 1969-1971; n/a  
Villanova University; 1959-1964; B.S.; June 1964  
The Peddie School; 1957-1959; Diploma; June 1959
10. Honors: List all scholarships, fellowships, honorary degrees, military medals, honorary society memberships, and any other special recognitions for outstanding service or achievement.  
US Army—Distinguished Service Cross, Bronze Star, Purple Heart/OLC, Vietnam Campaign Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Gallantry Cross with Silver Star, Combat Infantryman's Badge, Presidential Unit Award All awarded during period of service, 1964-1968

# Pro Tips

- Always download the #\$%@# files (if you delete them, you are guaranteed to need them again)
- Go to a quiet place to think about what you may have missed.
- Try newspapers → Sometimes newspapers will give additional information that can be helpful (hearings especially).
- One of the hardest things to learn is when to give up!

# Questions & Suggestions

