
Important Legal Resources

(Yes, even in your non-law library)

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Legal Information

- ◆ Types
 - ◆ Laws
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 - ◆ Treaties
 - ◆ Other Public Records
- ◆ Jurisdictions
 - ◆ International
 - ◆ National
 - ◆ State
 - ◆ County
 - ◆ City
 - ◆ Intergovernmental



Laws

◆ United States

◆ Congress

- Slip Laws
- *Statutes at Large*
- *U.S. Code*

◆ States

- ◆ State Legislature
 - Session laws
 - State Codes

◆ County/City

- ◆ Charters
- ◆ Ordinances
- ◆ Public Records

◆ IGOs

- ◆ Treaties
- ◆ Other International Agreements
- ◆ Resolutions
- ◆ Charters



U. S. Laws on the Internet

◆ Slip Laws & Statutes

◆ *GPO Access*

- http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/

◆ *Thomas*

- <http://thomas.loc.gov/>



GPO Access

- ◆ http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs
 - ◆ Full texts of ALL versions of bills
 - ◆ Full texts of committee reports, documents, some hearings
 - ◆ Full texts of administrative materials -
 - *Federal Register, Code of Federal Regulations*
 - ◆ Keyword searchable
 - ◆ Must capitalize - AND, OR, ADJ (adjacent)
 - ◆ Quotes around phrases - “acid rain”
 - ◆ * for truncation - comput*
 - ◆ Good Help screens



Thomas

- ◆ <http://thomas.loc.gov/>
 - ◆ Bill tracking back to 1975 (94th Congress)
 - ◆ Full texts back to 1989
 - ◆ *Congressional Record* back to 1989
 - ◆ Lists of vetoed bills, or bills by sponsor
 - ◆ Nicer search interface than GPO Access
 - ◆ Features - House Floor This Week, Major Legislation, Bills in the News



State Laws on the Internet

◆ Piperinfo.com

◆ <http://www.statelocalgov.net/>

◆ Washburn University

◆ <http://www.washlaw.edu/uslaw/statelaw.html>

◆ MultiState Associates Inc.

◆ <http://www.multistate.com/>



The screenshot shows a Netscape browser window with the title "State and Local Government on the Net - Netscape". The address bar shows "www.statelocalgov.net". The main content area features a red and blue header with the text "State and Local Government on the Net" and the URL "www.statelocalgov.net". Below the header, there is a note: "Note: We have a new domain. Please update your bookmark for this page." A red asterisk indicates the date of last update for each link if it is less than 30 days. The links are organized into two columns, listing various US states and territories with their respective update dates. On the left side of the browser window, there is a sidebar with a search box, a "Quick Search" button, and a "MARS" logo with the text "Best Free Reference Site".

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North Carolina

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State Home Page

- State of North Carolina

Statewide Offices

- Governor
- Governor: Office of State Budget and Management
- Governor: Office of State Planning
- Attorney General
- Secretary of State
- State Auditor
- State Controller: Information Resource Management Commission
- State Controller: North Carolina Information Highway
- State Treasurer

Legislative Branch ▲

- North Carolina General Assembly

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Judicial Branch ▲

- North Carolina Judicial Branch
- Supreme Court
- Court of Appeals

Executive Branch ▲

- Department of Administration
- Department of Administration: Division of Purchase and Contract
- Department of Administration: State Courier Service
- Department of Agriculture
- Department of Commerce
- Department of Commerce: Employment Security Commission
- Department of Correction
- Department of Crime Control and Public Safety: Victim and Justice Services
- Department of Cultural Resources: State Library
- Department of Environment and Natural Resources
- Department of Health and Human Services
- Department of Health and Human Services: Office of the Chief Medical Examiner
- Department of Insurance
- Department of Justice
- Department of Labor
- Department of Public Instruction
- Department of Revenue
- Department of Transportation
- North Carolina Kids' Page
- North Carolina Literacy Resource Center
- Office of State Personnel

Boards and Commissions ▲

- North Carolina Arts Council
- North Carolina Utilities Commission
- State Board of Elections


Piperinfo's web guide to NC government

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State Legislative Presence on the Internet

STATE	Full Text	Status	Software needed to access/comments
Alabama	yes	yes	Contains bill text, member information, and last action. However, bill history is not an option, although you can search by status (e.g. had first reading, have passed house of origin, etc.).
Alaska	yes	yes	Choose the "BASIS" option. Excellent, contains House and Senate journals.
Arizona	yes	yes	Consistently an A+ site. Able to select from multiple status categories of bills, fact sheets, amendments and more.
Arkansas	yes	yes	Very good site. Easy to search; includes interim session information.
California	yes	yes	Easy to search, but plain. It was once ahead of its time, but as other state sites improve, this one is beginning to look pretty featureless.
Colorado	yes	yes	Good page. Also lists interim activities, and ballot issues.
Connecticut	yes	yes	Has been snazzed up a bit, but still very comprehensive and easy to search. Now multiple ways to locate a bill.
Delaware	yes	yes	Pretty slow, and only gives last action (no history), but it's all here.

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Regulations

◆ U.S. Regulations

- ◆ *Federal Register*
- ◆ *Code of Federal Regulations*
- ◆ Agency printed regulations
- ◆ Agency web sites

◆ State Regulations

- ◆ Registers of Regulations or Administrative Journals
- ◆ Administrative Codes
- ◆ Agency printed regulations



U.S. Regulations on the Internet

- ◆ *Federal Register*

- ◆ *GPO Access*

- http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/aces/aces140.html

- ◆ *Code of Federal Regulations*

- ◆ *GPO Access*

- <http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/>



State Regulations

- ◆ National Association of Secretaries of State

- ◆ <http://www.nass.org/acr/acr.html>

- Administrative Codes and Registers Section



- ◆ <http://www.nass.org/acr/internet.html>

- Links to home page of the agency directly responsible for receiving rule filings, publishing rules, or both; links to registers, codes, and manuals.



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Administrative Code and Registers Section

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Welcome to the ACR Home Page!

The Administrative Codes and Registers (ACR) Section of the National Association of Secretaries of State (NASS) is the organization of persons in government and the private sector interested in administrative law. Some of ACR's objectives include:

- gathering, exchanging and disseminating facts, information and ideas relating to the publication and distribution of administrative codes and registers;
- enhancing the quality of administrative codes and registers through better style, format and design;
- encouraging the development of administrative codes and registers in jurisdictions where none exist;
- fostering the development of better rulewriting skills and rule review techniques, and more effective management of the rule promulgation process; and
- increasing knowledge of administrative law among ACR Section members and within the general public

ncw [Frequently Asked Questions for the two Listservs are online!](#)



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- [Bylaws](#) as amended July 1, 2000 -- [HTML](#), [PDF](#), [DOC](#), or [WPD](#)
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Definitions vary among the jurisdictions (states, the federal government, territories, protectorates, etc.). In the table below, "Register" refers to publications like the *Federal Register* which may contain notice and/or full text of proposed and adopted rules, and/or other types of government notices. The use of the term Register includes similar publications which, in some jurisdictions, may be called Bulletin or Journal. "Code" refers to publications like the *Code of Federal Regulations* which contain all effective administrative rules. "Manual" refers to the guidance document produced to assist rulewriting agencies.

Each jurisdiction is listed below. Under the name of each jurisdiction appears the terms "Home Page," "Register," "Code," and "Manual." If the term appear is underlined, clicking on that term will take you to the resource online. If the term is not underlined, that means that ACR is unaware of information on-line for the jurisdiction.

Please note that the link to "Home Page" points to the home page of the agency directly responsible for receiving rule filings, publishing rules, or both. This may be a bureau or an office several layers down in the organization. When that agency does not have a home page, then there may not be a link to the home page, or the link may point to the agency next in line up the organization chart.

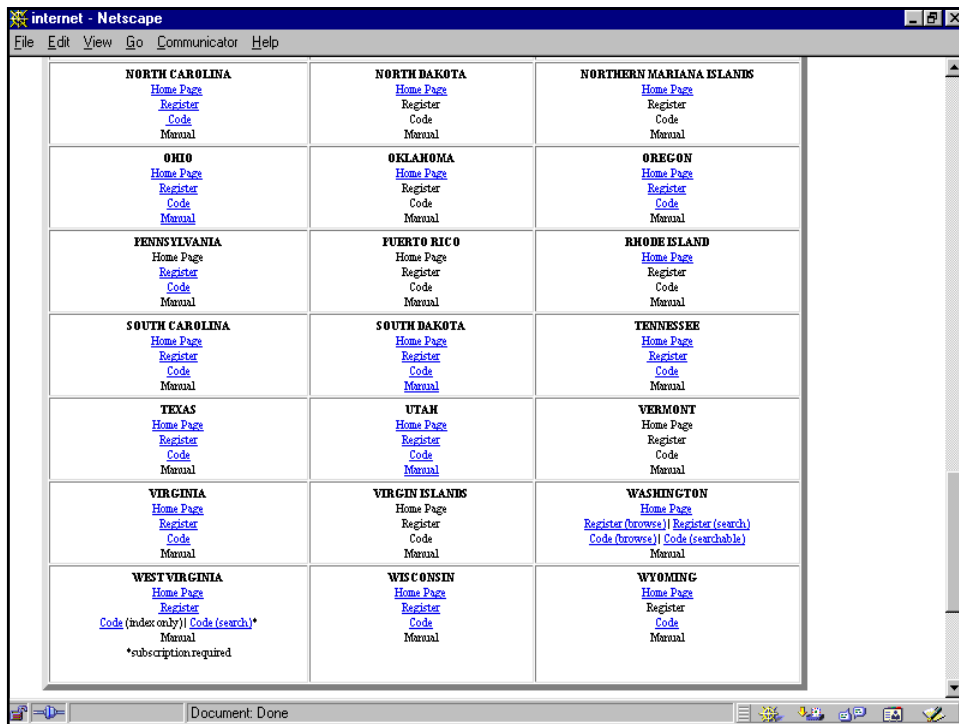
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Court Decisions

◆ U.S. Courts

- ◆ Supreme Court
- ◆ Circuit Courts of Appeals
- ◆ District Courts
- ◆ Specialized Courts
 - Tax Court
 - Bankruptcy Court
 - Court of Veterans Appeals
 - Court of Federal Claims
 - Court of International Trade

◆ State Courts

- ◆ Supreme Court
- ◆ Court of Appeals
- ◆ Circuit Courts
- ◆ Superior Courts
- ◆ Criminal Courts
- ◆ Drug Courts
- ◆ Traffic Courts
- ◆ District Courts
- ◆ Magistrates



U.S. Courts on the Web

◆ Federal Judiciary Homepage

- ◆ <http://www.uscourts.gov/>

◆ Supreme Court Decisions

- ◆ <http://www.supremecourtus.gov/>
- ◆ <http://supct.law.cornell.edu/supct/>

◆ PACER - Public Access to Court Electronic Records

- ◆ <http://pacer.psc.uscourts.gov/>



Locating U.S. Courts

- ◆ Findlaw
 - ◆ <http://www.findlaw.com/casecode/>
- ◆ Federal Judiciary – Court Links
 - ◆ <http://www.uscourts.gov/links.html>
- ◆ Federal Court Locator
 - ◆ <http://vls.law.vill.edu/Locator/fedcourt.html>
- ◆ Federal Court Finder
 - ◆ <http://www.law.emory.edu/FEDCTS/>



A screenshot of a Netscape browser window displaying the U.S. Courts website. The browser title is "Court Links - Netscape". The page features a header with "U.S. COURTS" in large letters and "THE FEDERAL JUDICIARY" below it. A navigation menu includes "About U.S. Courts", "Newsroom", "Library", "Court Links", "FAQs", "Employment", and "Contact Us". The main content area is titled "Court Links" and contains a list of links for each circuit: 1st Circuit, 2nd Circuit, 3rd Circuit, 4th Circuit, 5th Circuit, 6th Circuit, 7th Circuit, 8th Circuit, 9th Circuit, 10th Circuit, 11th Circuit, DC Circuit, Federal Circuit, Other, All Court Sites, and Return to USCourts.gov. To the right of the list is a map of the United States with numbered circles (1-11) indicating the locations of the circuit courts. A "VIEW ALL" button is also present. The browser's status bar at the bottom shows "Document: Done".



State Courts

◆ Courts.net

- ◆ <http://www.courts.net/>

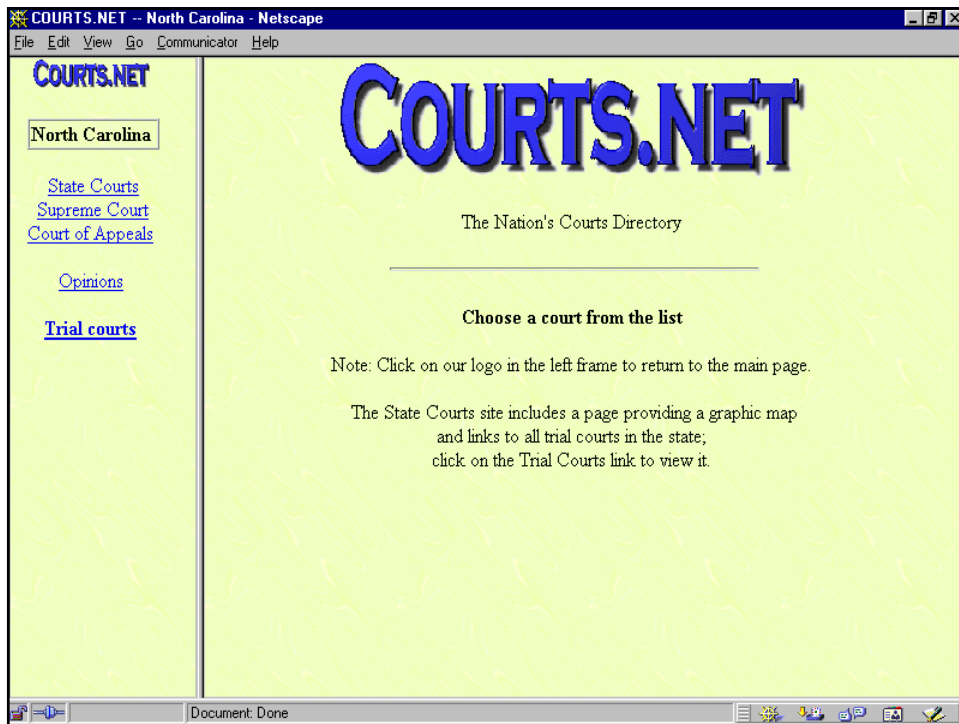
◆ National Center for State Courts

- ◆ http://www.ncsconline.org/Information/info_court_web_sites.html

◆ State Court Locator

- ◆ <http://vls.law.vill.edu/Locator/statecourt/>





Administrative Decisions

- ◆ UVA's Administrative Decisions Page
 - ◆ <http://www.law.virginia.edu/Library/govadm.htm>


- ◆ Federal Web Locator
 - ◆ <http://www.infoctr.edu/fwl/>

- ◆ LSU's Agency List
 - ◆ <http://www.lib.lsu.edu/gov/fedgov.html>



Federal Administrative Decisions & Other Actions - Netscape

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Federal Administrative Decisions & Other Actions

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[Administrative Decisions & Other Actions - By Subject](#)

This page is not an attempt to link to *Federal Register* or the *Code of Federal Regulations* information for each federal agency. It links to other administrative actions which are outside the scope of the *CFR* or the *FR*. What is available via the Internet varies from agency to agency.

Because Electronic FOIA Reading Rooms often contain administrative information this page links to the primary E-FOIA Reading Room for each agency covered.

To link to this page use the URL: <http://www.law.virginia.edu/admindec>

Agriculture Department

- [FOIA Electronic Reading Room](#)
USDA Electronic Reading Room by agency.
- [Agriculture Dept. Directives](#)
This system is the online repository of all USDA Departmental Regulations, Notices, Manuals, and Memoranda. The USDA Directives System consists of a set of current, in-force directives. From the Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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Federal Labor Relations Authority

- [Decisions, policies, guidance documents](#)
(1994-)
- [FLRA Cases & Case Summaries](#)
Includes volumes 48-51, 55- (1993-1996, 1998-)
- [Negotiability Determinations](#)
From the Office of Personnel Management. (1979-1997)
- [FLRA Bulletin](#)
(1996-)

Office of General Counsel

- [Policies & Guidance](#)
Policies and guidance issued by General Counsel Joseph Swerdzewski since he was sworn in as General Counsel in 1993.

Federal Services Impasses Panel

- [Final Actions](#)
This includes "Decisions and Orders" (if the dispute was decided by the Panel as a whole, and "Opinions and Decisions" if it was handled by a Panel member or designated staff member.
(1995-)

Federal Maritime Commission

- [FOIA](#)
Includes *Public Information Handbook*, information demand orders, fact findings, and adjudicatory decisions.
- [Federal Maritime Commission Adjudicatory Decisions](#)
(Nov. 1, 1996-)

Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission

"The Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission is an independent adjudicative agency that provides administrative trial and appellate review of legal

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Public Records

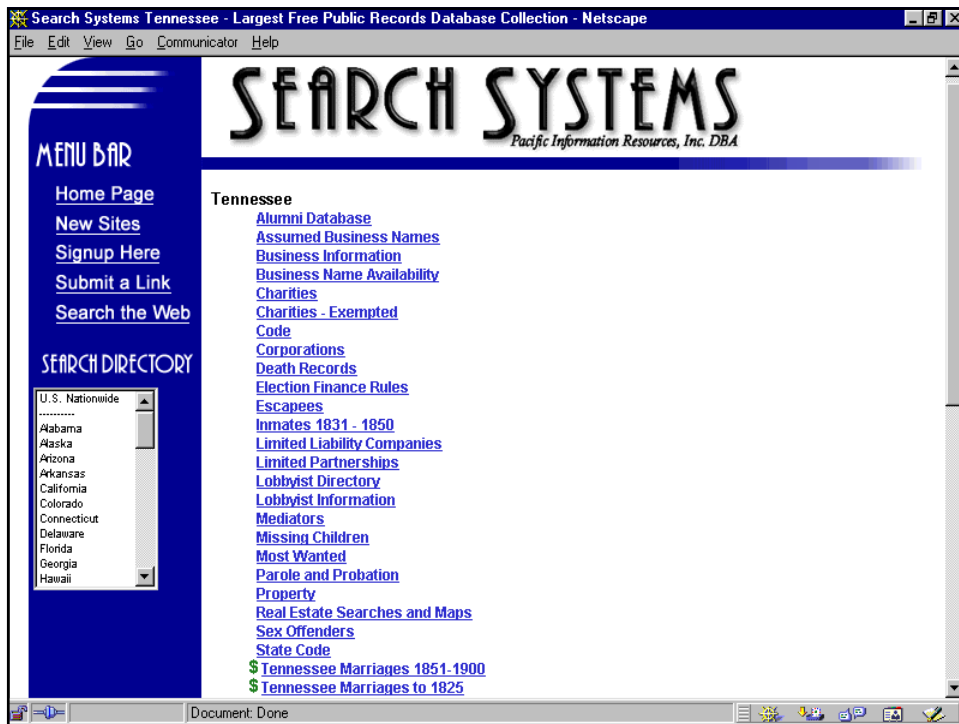
- ◆ Pacific Information Resources

- ◆ <http://www.pac-info.com/>

- Over 2300 free public record databases for the U.S., states, Canada, and Canadian provinces. Links to other countries public record databases.



A screenshot of a Netscape browser window displaying the Search Systems website. The browser title bar reads "Search Systems - Largest Free Public Records Database Collection - Netscape". The website header features the "SEARCH SYSTEMS" logo in a large, stylized font, with "Search Systems" in smaller text below it and "Pacific Information Resources, Inc. DBA" in a smaller font at the bottom right of the logo. Below the logo, the text says "Now over 4646 Free Searchable Public Record Databases!". There are two main navigation links: "U.S. Nationwide Public Records" with a right-pointing arrow and "U.S. Nationwide", and "U.S. Statewide and Regional" with a downward-pointing arrow. A "MENU BAR" on the left side contains links for "Home Page", "New Sites", "Signup Here", "Submit a Link", and "Search the Web". Below the menu bar is a "SEARCH DIRECTORY" section with a scrollable list of U.S. states and "U.S. Nationwide". The list includes: Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, Washington D.C., and West Virginia. The browser's status bar at the bottom shows "Document: Done".



Cities & Counties

- ◆ Piperinfo.com
 - ◆ <http://www.statelocalgov.net/>

- ◆ Seattle Public Library – Municipal Codes
 - ◆ <http://www.spl.org/selectedsites/municode.html>

- ◆ Municipal Code Corporation
 - ◆ <http://www.municode.com/>



