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CHAPTER 8

LEGAL PERIODICALS, INDEXES, AND OTHER INFORMATION SOURCES

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CHAPTER 8

LEGAL PERIODICALS, INDEXES, AND OTHER INFORMATION SOURCES

8.1 INTRODUCTION

This chapter identifies reference resources that might be useful to attorneys and other legal researchers. These resources are valuable for a variety of reasons, including:

- to locate a definition of a word or to select an alternative word;
- to locate names and addresses of experts and descriptions of their services;
- to locate background supporting information about an issue associated with the case such as statistics;
- to locate information about a judge such as his or her address or, more importantly, to determine something about the judge's temperament or courtroom style; and
- to locate names of court officials such as clerks or county officials such as sheriffs, county attorneys, and the like.

Some of the resources mentioned may be available through databases and online. Although databases and online resources might increase the legal researcher's access to information, they also challenge the researcher to use technology effectively to locate relevant and current information, to identify when reasonable options have been exhausted, and to determine whether the information discovered contains significant, and

perhaps hidden, biases. When using Internet sources, the researcher should consider important issues associated with the site, such as the authoritativeness of the person authoring the site, the organization and ease of use of the site, the size and comprehensiveness of the site, the currency and method of updating the site, and finally, the uniformity of searching within the site. Website addresses provided in this chapter may change, and websites may cease to exist without notice. Likewise, many useful new websites may be created after the publication of this book.

8.2 DICTIONARIES AND THESAURUSES

Good dictionaries, both legal and nonlegal, are essential resources. Legal dictionaries generally define words by reference to judicial construction, and some dictionaries cite the construing cases. It is important to consult the most recent edition of a dictionary since the meaning of words can change, and recent developments may be significant. A thesaurus is useful to find the most accurate word among a family of related terms.

Online databases can be used to locate the meanings of legal terms as well. An online search using quotation marks around the term or phrase will retrieve more relevant documents containing that term. Searching online for terms and phrases is best when researching unusual terms, because online searches for general terms may retrieve an excessive number of documents that a legal researcher simply does not have the time to review and read. Online databases offer universal characters and truncation commands to retrieve words for the researcher who is uncertain of the spelling or wants to see multiple endings for a root word.

The following titles are among the more frequently used and cited reference resources.

The American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language. 5th ed. Boston, MA: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2011.

Auburn, David et al. *C*
New York, NY: C

Ballentine, James A.
pronunciations).
Rochester, NY:

Beyer, Gerry W. *Mode*
ed. Buffalo, NY:

Black's Law Dictionary
MN: West (Thom

Black's Medical Dictio
London: A&C BL

Burton, William C. *Bur*
NY: McGraw-Hil

Garner, Bryan A. *A Dic*
York, NY: Oxford

Garner, Bryan A. *Garn*
York, NY: Oxford
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Garner, Bryan A. *Garn*
York, NY: Oxford

Kavass, Igor I. *Biebo*
Reversed: A Dic
Abbreviations. B

McGraw-Hill Dictionary
New York, NY: M

Oxford English Dictiona

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and nonlegal, are essential to define words by reference. Dictionaries cite the construing of the most recent edition of a word can change, and recent editions of a thesaurus is useful to find the related terms.

To locate the meanings of words using quotation marks in more relevant documents for terms and phrases is because online searches for a large number of documents do not have the time to review universal characters and words for the researcher who is seeing multiple endings for a

the more frequently used

The English Language. 5th ed. New York: Harcourt, 2011.

Auburn, David et al. *Oxford American Writer's Thesaurus*. 3d ed. New York, NY: Oxford Univ. Press, 2012.

Ballentine, James A. *Ballentine's Law Dictionary* (with pronunciations). 3d. ed. (William S. Anderson ed.). Rochester, NY: Lawyers Co-op. Publ'g Co., 1969.

Beyer, Gerry W. *Modern Dictionary for the Legal Profession*. 4th ed. Buffalo, NY: William S. Hein & Co., Inc., 2008.

Black's Law Dictionary. 9th ed. (Bryan A. Garner ed.). St. Paul, MN: West (Thomson Reuters), 2009.

Black's Medical Dictionary. 42d ed. (Harvey Marcovitch ed.). London: A&C Black, 2010.

Burton, William C. *Burton's Legal Thesaurus*. 4th ed. New York, NY: McGraw-Hill, 2006.

Garner, Bryan A. *A Dictionary of Modern Legal Usage*. 2d ed. New York, NY: Oxford Univ. Press, 2001.

Garner, Bryan A. *Garner's Dictionary of Legal Usage*. 3d ed. New York, NY: Oxford Univ. Press, 2011. (Revised edition of *A Dictionary of Modern Legal Usage*.)

Garner, Bryan A. *Garner's Modern American Usage*. 3d ed. New York, NY: Oxford Univ. Press, 2009.

Kavass, Igor I. *Bieber's Dictionary of Legal Abbreviations Reversed: A Dictionary of Terms and Titles with Their Abbreviations*. Buffalo, NY: William S. Hein & Co., 1994.

McGraw-Hill Dictionary of Scientific and Technical Terms. 6th ed. New York, NY: McGraw-Hill, 2002.

Oxford English Dictionary. 2d ed. Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1989.

- Prince, Mary Miles. *Prince's Bieber Dictionary of Legal Abbreviations*. 6th ed. Buffalo, NY: William S. Hein & Co., 2009.
- Prince, Mary Miles. *Prince's Dictionary of Legal Citations*. 8th ed. Buffalo, NY: William S. Hein & Co., 2011.
- Random House Webster's College Dictionary*. rev. & updated ed. New York, NY: Random House, Inc., 2005.
- Random House Dictionary of the English Language*. 2d ed. New York, NY: Random House, 1987.
- Random House Historical Dictionary of American Slang*. (2 vols.) New York, NY: Random House, 1994.
- Random House Webster's Unabridged Dictionary*. 2d ed., rev. & updated. New York, NY: Random House, Inc., 2001.
- Roget's International Thesaurus*. 7th ed., rev. & updated. New York, NY: Collins Reference, 2010.
- Shapiro, Fred R. *The Oxford Dictionary of American Legal Quotations*. New York, NY: Oxford Univ. Press, 1993.
- Sloane, Richard. *The Sloane-Dorland Annotated Medical-Legal Dictionary*. St. Paul, MN: West (Thomson Reuters), 1987 & 1992 Supp.
- Soukhanov, Anne H. *Microsoft Encarta College Dictionary*. New York, NY: St. Martin's Press, 2001.
- Statsky, William P. *West's Legal Thesaurus/Dictionary: a Resource for the Writer and the Computer Researcher*. St. Paul, MN: West (Thomson Reuters), 1985.
- Stedman's Medical Dictionary*. 28th ed. Philadelphia, PA: Lippincott Williams & Wilkins, 2006.

Webster's Third New International Dictionary. 3rd ed.). Springfield,

An excellent online thesaurus is Refdesk.com. <http://refdesk.com>. Refdesk.com is a free online checker for the Internet. (2) intuitive and easy navigation bar and scroll. dictionaries available in navigation bar and scroll. included for the American medical, legal, biographical. Additionally, there are free Refdesk.com.

8.3 LEGAL PERIODICALS

8.301 Introduction

A. General. eight law schools publishing with long and distinguished scholarship and other new cutting edge topics.

Legal periodicals from different points of view. Subjects are abstruse. New legal developments, publications, which contain analyses that are not common is almost always now provided by major legal publishers, including the addresses, where available.

B. Format. formats; the most common

Dictionary of Legal
: William S. Hein & Co.,

Legal Citations. 8th ed.
, 2011.

ary. rev. & updated ed.
c., 2005.

Language. 2d ed. New

American Slang. (2 vols.)
94.

Dictionary. 2d ed., rev. &
House, Inc., 2001.

d., rev. & updated. New

Dictionary of American Legal
d Univ. Press, 1993.

Annotated Medical-Legal
(Thomson Reuters), 1987 &

College Dictionary. New
1.

Thesaurus/Dictionary: a
Computer Researcher. St.
rs), 1985.

ed. Philadelphia, PA:
006.

Webster's Third New International Dictionary. (Philip B. Gove ed.). Springfield, MA: Merriam-Webster, Inc., 2002.

An excellent online resource for dictionaries and thesauruses is Refdesk.com, which is available at <http://refdesk.com>. Refdesk.com identifies itself as the "fact checker for the Internet" and has three goals: (1) fact access, (2) intuitive and easy navigation, and (3) comprehensive content, rationally indexed. To reach a list of the various types of dictionaries available in Refdesk.com, simply use the left side navigation bar and scroll down to "Dictionaries," where links are included for the American Heritage dictionary as well as links for medical, legal, biographical, and reverse dictionaries can be found. Additionally, there are foreign language dictionaries available in Refdesk.com.

8.3 LEGAL PERIODICALS

8.301 Introduction.

A. General. Virginia has eight law schools, and those eight law schools publish many law reviews and journals—some with long and distinguished histories and traditions of legal scholarship and other newer titles that focus on narrower and cutting edge topics.

Legal periodical and law review articles present many points of view. Subjects range from the elementary to the most abstruse. New legal developments are often discussed in these publications, which contain thorough, and frequently critical, analyses that are not commonly available elsewhere. The content is almost always now widely available online in databases provided by major legal publishers and directly from the publishers, including the law schools, via the Internet. Internet addresses, where available, are provided in this chapter.

B. Format. Legal periodicals are published in many formats; the most common is the law review that is published by a

law school. Almost always, law reviews published by law schools are edited by law students.

Most law reviews contain four basic types of materials, and some include a fifth type of article.

1. Lead Articles. Exhaustive analyses of specific topics written by judges, practitioners, and law professors.

2. Notes or Comments. Short, critical analyses of subjects of law or specific cases, typically written by law students.

3. Book Reviews. Comments on recent publications regarding the legal profession that may be useful to practitioners.

4. Special Features. Some law reviews occasionally or annually devote an issue to an exhaustive treatment of one subject or to recent developments in several subjects, such as "annual surveys" and symposia issues.

5. Essays or Commentaries. In recent years, many law reviews have begun to publish shorter works that offer an author's opinion about a particular issue. These are frequently much shorter than traditional law review articles and typically include many fewer footnotes.

8.302 School-Related Journals and Reviews.

Listed below are the Virginia law schools and brief information about the law reviews and journals published at those law schools. To reach the law review and journal pages at a school's website, a researcher should look at the navigation bar on the first page of the website (often on the left side of the screen but occasionally across the top of the page). Most frequently, the law reviews and journals are included as a part of a navigation link for "Students," "Student Life," "Student Organizations," or "Publications." The researcher will usually find the current issue of the law review or journal in full text at the website. Less often (but fairly common today), the researcher will see a button for "archives" or "past

issues" and will be able to view the full text of the article. Perhaps an abstract of the article will be able to view the full text of the article.

A. Appala

Appalachian Journal

B. George

Civil Rights Law Journal

Federal Circuit Bar Association
Circuit Bar Association
Appeals for the
per year.

George Mason Law Review

The Green Bag, Second
1997-present; for

Journal of International
issues per year.

Journal of Law: A Pe
2011-present; on

Journal of Law, Econo
per year.

Supreme Court Econo
year.

¹ www.asl.edu.

² www.law.gmu.edu.

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gation link for "Students,"
," or "Publications." The
issue of the law review or
often (but fairly common
on for "archives" or "past

issues" and will be able to view older issues in full-text or, at least, will be able to view the table of contents for past issues and perhaps an abstract of the articles.

A. Appalachian School of Law.¹

Appalachian Journal of Law. 2002-present; one issue per year.

B. George Mason University School of Law.²

Civil Rights Law Journal. 1990-present; three issues per year.

Federal Circuit Bar Journal (in collaboration with the Federal Circuit Bar Association and the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit). 1991-present; four issues per year.

George Mason Law Review. 1976-present; four issues per year.

The Green Bag, Second Series, an Entertaining Journal of Law. 1997-present; four issues per year.

Journal of International and Commercial Law. 2010-present; two issues per year.

Journal of Law: A Periodical Laboratory of Legal Scholarship. 2011-present; one volume per year.

Journal of Law, Economics and Policy. 2005-present; two issues per year.

Supreme Court Economic Review. 1982-present; one volume per year.

¹ www.asl.edu.

² www.law.gmu.edu.

C. Liberty University School of Law.³

Liberty Legal Journal. 2010-present; one issue per year.

Liberty University Law Review. 2006-present; three issues per year.

D. Regent University School of Law.⁴

Regent Journal of International Law. 2000-present; two issues per year.

Regent Journal of Law & Public Policy. 2008-present; one issue per year.

Regent University Law Review. 1991-present; two issues per year.

E. University of Richmond School of Law.⁵

Richmond Journal of Global Law and Business. 1999-present; two issues per year.

Richmond Journal of Law and Technology. 1995-present (the first student-edited scholarly legal journal published exclusively in electronic format in the United States); three or four issues per year.

Richmond Journal of Law and the Public Interest. 1996-present; four issues per year.

University of Richmond Law Review. 1958-present; four issues per year (includes an annual survey of Virginia law).

³ law.liberty.edu.

⁴ regent.edu/acad/schlaw.

⁵ law.richmond.edu.

F. University of Virginia School of Law

Journal of Law and Politics

Virginia Environmental Law Journal. 2004-present; one issue per year.

Virginia Journal of Criminal Law. 2004-present; one issue per year.

Virginia Journal of International Law. 2004-present; one issue per year.

Virginia Journal of Law and Technology. 2004-present; four issues per year.

Virginia Journal of Social Justice. 2004-present; two issues per year.

Virginia Law & Business Review. 2004-present; one issue per year.

Virginia Law Review. 1933-present; one issue per year.

Virginia Sports & Entertainment Law Journal. 2004-present; one issue per year.

Virginia Tax Review. 1981-present; one issue per year.

G. Washington State University School of Law

Environmental Law Digest. 2004-present; one issue per year.

⁶ www.law.virginia.edu.

⁷ law.wlu.edu.

F. University of Virginia School of Law.⁶

Journal of Law and Politics. 1983-present; four issues per year.

Virginia Environmental Law Journal. 1980-present; three issues per year.

Virginia Journal of Criminal Law. 2010-present; two issues per year.

Virginia Journal of International Law. 1960-present; four issues per year.

Virginia Journal of Law and Technology. 1997-present; three or four issues per year.

Virginia Journal of Social Policy & the Law. 1993-present; three issues per year.

Virginia Law & Business Review. 2006-present; three issues per year.

Virginia Law Review. 1913-present; eight issues per year.

Virginia Sports & Entertainment Law Journal. 2001-present; two issues per year.

Virginia Tax Review. 1981-present; four issues per year.

G. Washington and Lee School of Law.⁷

Environmental Law Digest (Environmental Law News for the Environmental Law Section of the Virginia State Bar). 2004-present; number of issues per year varies.

⁶ www.law.virginia.edu.

⁷ law.wlu.edu.

Journal of Energy, Climate, and the Environment. 2010-present; two issues per year.

Washington and Lee Journal of Civil Rights & Social Justice. 1994-present; two issues per year.

Washington and Lee Law Review. 1993-present; four issues per year (with annual surveys of Fourth Circuit developments and securities and commodities law).

H. William and Mary Marshall-Wythe College of Law.⁸

William & Mary Bill of Rights Journal. 1992-present; four issues per year.

William & Mary Business Law Review. 2009-present; two issues per year.

William & Mary Environmental Law and Policy Review. 1975-present; three issues per year.

William & Mary Journal of Women and the Law. 1994-present; three issues per year.

William & Mary Law Review; 1957-present; six issues per year.

8.303 Legal Periodicals Available Online Through Legal Publishers. Law reviews are frequently available in full text from LexisNexis and Westlaw. However, not all issues of all titles are available, and often the titles do not begin with volume one. In addition, the providers exercise some discretion over the content of the issues online. For example, memorials to colleagues are not likely to be available even though they appear in print issues. The services include an online directory where the researcher can determine (i) if the title is included in the service and (ii) what the dates of coverage for a particular title are. If the

⁸ law.wm.edu.

researcher cannot locate title, customer service or assistance are normally

A major development in legal research reviews is HeinOnline, Inc. HeinOnline is an image-based legal research database containing more than 10 million pages of legal information collections, including the U.S. Court Library, U.S. Federal and Agreements Library, and databases within HeinOnline and law reviews in the Library includes more than 100 Coverage typically begins with the periodical and typically issues allowed based on the Journal Library includes Bar Association journals, Justice Journals, Intellectual Property Journals. Information found at home.heinonline.org

The researcher can find periodicals of all types within the scope of coverage varies by editors who can help with and law journals was announced that users could and law journals. The law via HeinOnline are included Google Scholar permits opinions and journals.

8.304 Professional associations

Environment. 2010-present;

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ne directory where the
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particular title are. If the

researcher cannot locate specific titles or the coverage of a specific title, customer service representatives employed by the vendor for assistance are normally helpful.

A major development in access to legal periodicals and law reviews is HeinOnline, which is available via the William S. Hein & Co., Inc. HeinOnline describes itself as the "world's largest image-based legal research database." It includes more than fifty million pages of legal information and consists of many different collections, including Legal Classics, United States Supreme Court Library, U.S. Federal Legislative History Library, Treaties and Agreements Library, and many others. One of the largest databases within HeinOnline is its collection of legal periodicals and law reviews in the Law Journal Library. The Law Journal Library includes more than 1,100 law and law-related periodicals. Coverage typically begins with the first issue published for each periodical and typically goes through the most currently published issues allowed based on contracts with publishers. The Law Journal Library includes several collections, including American Bar Association journals, Core U.S. Law Journals, Criminal Justice Journals, International and Non-U.S. Law Journals, Intellectual Property Law Journal Library, and Most-Cited Journals. Information about the HeinOnline database can be found at home.heinonline.org.

The researcher may also locate Internet sites for legal periodicals of all types via Internet links and search engines. The scope of coverage varies, but many sites provide direct access to editors who can help with inquiries. Online access to law reviews and law journals was expanded in 2009 when Google Scholar announced that users could search a collection of legal opinions and law journals. The law journals and reviews that are available via HeinOnline are included in the Google Scholar search results. Google Scholar permits users to search either articles or legal opinions and journals.

8.304 Professional Law Journals. Various professional associations publish periodicals that often contain

materials helpful to the practitioner and the researcher. Some notable titles are listed below.

The Journal of Civil Litigation. Richmond: Virginia Association of Defense Attorneys (VADA).

This quarterly publication of the VADA publishes scholarly articles on topics of Virginia law and practice. It also reprints and discusses trial court decisions of interest to Virginia practitioners. A printed index for volumes I-XIV, published in 2002, is supplemented online. Subscription to the *Journal* and online availability is included in VADA membership dues.⁹ The *Journal* continues an earlier publication entitled the *VADA Quarterly*.

The Journal of the Virginia Trial Lawyers Association. Richmond: Virginia Trial Lawyers Association (VTLA).

This journal, published quarterly, includes articles on trial practice, judicial administration and the practice of law and describes itself as offering articles that include "substantive, hands-on approach to issues relating to trial practice." VTLA membership dues include the cost of a subscription.¹⁰

Law Letter. Richmond: Virginia Trial Lawyers Association (VTLA).

The issues of this journal are published shortly after each of the Virginia Supreme Court's opinion day and include information about association business, articles of interest to practitioners, and digests of opinions of the Virginia Supreme Court, the Virginia Court of Appeals, Virginia circuit courts, the Virginia Workers' Compensation Commission, and the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals. The

⁹ See the VADA website at www.vada.org.

¹⁰ See the VTLA website at www.vtla.com.

Law Letter also includes information on settlements and Supreme Court membership dues.

VBA Journal. Richmond:

Called the *VBA Journal*, the VBA is published quarterly. It includes articles by lawyers of interest to Virginia activities and is distributed to members via the VBA.

Virginia Bar Association Journal. Association (VBA).

The Virginia Bar Association Journal was published from 1997 and was continued from 1998 to 2012. In 2013, the *VBA Journal* was published. It discussed association activities and contained short articles on law teachers and practitioners.

Virginia Lawyer and Virginia State Bar Journal.

The *Virginia Lawyer and Virginia State Bar Journal* is published in an alternating format of interest articles. It is published five times per year.

¹¹ *Id.*

¹² www.vba.org.

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opinion day and include
business, articles of interest
opinions of the Virginia
ourt of Appeals, Virginia
Workers' Compensation
uit Court of Appeals. The

Law Letter also includes summaries of recent verdicts and settlements and summaries of cases in which the Virginia Supreme Court has awarded an appeal. VTLA membership dues include the cost of a subscription.¹¹

VBA Journal. Richmond: Virginia Bar Association (VBA).

Called the *VBA News Journal* until 2012, this journal of the VBA is published three times per year. It contains articles by lawyers and law teachers on legal subjects of interest to Virginia practitioners and highlights VBA activities and section reports. The publication is distributed to members of the VBA and is available to members via the VBA website.¹²

Virginia Bar Association Journal. Richmond: Virginia Bar Association (VBA).

The Virginia Bar Association Journal ceased publication in 1997 and was continued by the *VBA News Journal* from 1998 to 2012. In 2012, the *VBA News Journal* became the *VBA Journal*. *The Virginia Bar Association Journal* discussed association activities and meetings and contained short articles and book reviews by lawyers and law teachers on legal subjects of interest to Virginia practitioners.

Virginia Lawyer and *Virginia Lawyer Register*. Richmond: Virginia State Bar.

The *Virginia Lawyer*, the official publication of the Virginia State Bar, is published five times a year in alternating formats and includes substantive and human-interest articles. The *Virginia Lawyer Register* is published five times per year and is primarily a compilation of

¹¹ *Id.*

¹² www.vba.org.

disciplinary actions against attorneys licensed to practice law in the commonwealth, legal ethics opinions, unauthorized practice of law opinions and rule changes. All active and associate members of the Virginia State Bar receive the publications by virtue of their membership.¹³

Virginia Review: Journal of Virginia Government. Chester, VA: Review Publications, Inc.

The *Virginia Review* describes itself as the only independent professional journal for state and local governments and has been published since 1923.¹⁴

Virginia State Bar Section and Conference Newsletters.

Most sections of the Virginia State Bar publish several newsletters annually. Section newsletters normally contain comments by the chairpersons, discussions of section activities, articles on issues in the field, and digests of pertinent cases or rulings. The newsletters are distributed free to section members. Sections include Administrative Law; Antitrust, Franchise and Trade Regulation; Bankruptcy Law; Business Law; Construction Law and Public Contracts; Corporate Counsel; Criminal Law; Education of Lawyers; Environmental Law; Family Law; General Practice; Health Law; Intellectual Property Law; International Practice; Litigation; Local Government Law; Military Law; Real Property; Taxation; and Trusts and Estates. The Conference of Local Bar Associations, Senior Lawyers Conference, and Young Lawyers Conference also publish newsletters. The newsletters of the sections and conferences are available to some extent on the VSB website at www.vsb.org.

¹³ See the VSB website at www.vsb.org.

¹⁴ See www.vareview.com.

8.305 Newspapers

Virginia Lawyers Weekly

This weekly newspaper provides federal and state reports of court decisions, management of the firm, developments, client announcements, access to resources, and a listing of organizations with LinkedIn pages. The articles are available to subscribers on the website¹⁵ present important new opinions. *Weekly* have online archives section for and cases digests. Subscribers can also view opinions featured in *Weekly* offers an E-mail alert when it is updated. *Virginia* a Verdicts & Decisions (required) that include links to help other lawyers.

8.4 INDEXES

An index lists names in alphabetical order and identifies items that can be located. Looseleaf services, legal encyclopedias, and indexes facilitate finding

¹⁵ www.valawyersweekly.com.

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8.305 Newspapers.

Virginia Lawyers Weekly. Richmond: The Dolan Co.

This weekly newspaper contains articles, summaries of federal and state appellate and trial court opinions, trial reports of counsel, articles on the practice of law and the management of the practice, news reports of governmental developments, classified advertisements, and professional announcements. An extensive social media section includes access to resources such as the VLW Blog, the ScoVA Blog, and a listing of Virginia lawyers, courts, and legal organizations who use Twitter, as well as Facebook and LinkedIn pages. Semiannual indexes of cases and articles are available to subscribers. *Virginia Lawyers Weekly's* website¹⁵ presents breaking news stories and digests of important new opinions. Subscribers to *Virginia Lawyers Weekly* have unlimited access to the website, including an archives section that contains all the newspaper's stories and cases digests since 1993. Through the website, subscribers can access free full-text PDF copies of the opinions featured in the newspaper. *Virginia Lawyers Weekly* offers an RSS feed option to get the news whenever it is updated. *Virginia Lawyers Weekly* also offers access to a Verdicts & Settlements research database (login required) that includes case summaries sent in by lawyers to help other lawyers assess the value of their cases.

8.4 INDEXES

An index lists names, places, subjects, or other items in alphabetical order and identifies where documents relevant to the items can be located. Legal indexes are found in treatises, looseleaf services, legal encyclopedias, and online. Several major indexes facilitate finding relevant legal periodical and law review

¹⁵ www.valawyersweekly.com.

articles. Indexes typically are updated frequently, as the language of the law, subject areas, and classifications of materials constantly change.

8.401 General Indexes of Note.

Business Information Sources. 3d ed. Berkeley, CA: University of California Press, 1993.

This resource is a comprehensive guide to locating business information.

Business Periodicals Index (1958-present) and *Business Abstracts with Full Text* (H.W. Wilson). Ipswich, MA: EBSCO Publishing.

Business Periodicals Index is a cumulative index to English language periodicals discussing traditional business areas, such as accounting, public relations, and trades and is available in print or electronic media. A *Business Periodicals Index Retrospective: 1913-1982* offers searchable indexing of the most important scholarly journals, trade publications and magazines from 1913 through 1982. *Business Abstracts with Full Text* (H.W. Wilson) provides access to business related magazines and scholarly journals, including indexing and abstracts for key publications such as the *New York Times* business section and the *Wall Street Journal*.¹⁶

Business Source Complete (Abstracts—1886-present; full text—1990-present). Ipswich, MA: EBSCO Publishing.

Business Source Complete includes information from more than 1,200 journals and additional full-text non-journal content, such as financial data, conference proceedings,

case studies, reports, and more.

CIS Index to Publications (present). Bethesda, MD: University of Maryland.

CIS indexes the laws, committee reports, House reports and Senate reports, LexisNexis publications, and abstract volume.

Current Law Index (1990-present). Access Corp.

This is a comprehensive index to the United States, Australia, and New Zealand Legal Resources.

Encyclopedia of Business. Detroit, MI: Gale.

This is a comprehensive index to aids, including almanacs and directories, sources, director financial ratios, and other related.

Index to Legal Periodicals (present). Ipswich, MA: EBSCO Publishing.

ILP covers legal periodicals from the United States, Australia, and New Zealand in print and electronic form of the periodicals.

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CIS Index to Publications of the United States Congress (1970-present). Bethesda, MD: LexisNexis, Inc.

CIS indexes the publications of Congress, including public laws, committee hearings and prints, House and Senate reports, House and Senate documents, Senate executive reports and Senate treaty documents. Each year LexisNexis publishes three volumes: an index volume, an abstract volume, and a legislative history volume.

Current Law Index (1980-present). Los Altos, CA: Information Access Corp.

This is a comprehensive index to law journals from the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Australia, and New Zealand and is available online as Legal Resources Index.

Encyclopedia of Business Information Sources (1970-present). Detroit, MI: Gale Research Co.

This is a comprehensive listing of business related finding aids, including abstracting and indexing services, almanacs and yearbooks, bibliographies, biographical sources, directories, encyclopedias and dictionaries, financial ratios, handbooks and manuals, online databases, and other related sources of information.

Index to Legal Periodicals and Books (H.W. Wilson) (1982-present). Ipswich, MA: EBSCO Publishing.

ILP covers legal periodicals and monographs published in the United States, Canada, Great Britain, Ireland, Australia, and New Zealand. The index is available in print and electronic media. Online access, including a list of the periodicals currently appearing in the *Index* and

access to a retrospective index that covers 1908-1981, is available at www.ebscohost.com/wilson.

The Standard Periodical Directory. 2012 ed. New York, NY: Oxbridge Communications, Inc.

This is the largest directory of United States and Canadian periodicals with information about more than 60,000 magazines, journals, newsletters, newspapers, and directories in subject categories ranging from accounting to zoology. The guide provides information such as cost of subscription and frequency of publication for each title. It is available in multiple formats (print, CD-ROM, and online).

8.402 Online Indexes. With the development of numerous database services, many of the indexes mentioned above are also available online. LexisNexis and Westlaw include access to both the *Index to Legal Periodicals* and the *Legal Resources Index*.

The search capabilities of database services permit the researcher to bypass the more traditional indexes. The use of key words or concepts, or searches employing Boolean logic, enables a researcher to identify articles and periodicals about specific subjects. The researcher should be aware of the scope of coverage for various titles and the cost of the information in the vendors' electronic files.

8.5 STATISTICAL INFORMATION

Although legal argument traditionally focuses on principles of law, the resolution of some modern legal issues rests on statistical analysis as a basis for determining public policy or demonstrating the societal effect of certain rules, decisions, or behaviors. Housing discrimination, employment, antitrust, and consumer protection litigation often involve the use of such statistics.

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The following works are good sources for statistical information.

American Jurisprudence 2d Desk Book. Rochester, NY: West (Thomson Reuters), 1998 & 2005 Supp.

This text is an accompanying volume to *American Jurisprudence 2d*. It contains historical and legal documents, facts, tables, charts, and statistics. It is supplemented with annual pocket parts.

County and City Data Book: 2007, a Statistical Abstract Supplement. 14th ed., Washington, DC: U.S. Gov't Printing Office, 2007.

This book contains a wide variety of information on states and metropolitan areas in the United States, including statistics on the social and economic structure of counties and cities.

Lawyer's Almanac 2012. Austin, TX: Wolters Kluwer Law & Business, 2012.

This book, whose subtitle is "the leading reference of vital facts and figures about the legal profession," is divided into four main sections: (1) the legal profession; (2) the judiciary; (3) government departments and agencies; and (4) commonly used abbreviations.

State Rankings 2012: a Statistical View of America. Washington, DC: CQ Press, 2012.

This single volume covers broad topics such as crime, law enforcement, agriculture, education, and economy and identifies how a state compares statistically in various categories with other states.

Statistical Abstract of the United States (1878-2012). Washington, DC: U.S. Gov't Printing Office.

This publication is a convenient volume for statistics about social, political, and economic organization of the United States and includes statistics about population, births, deaths and marriages, education, law enforcement, courts and prisons and many more topics. The detailed index makes finding statistics on a particular topic relatively direct.

The *Statistical Abstract* will not be updated in print after the 2012 edition. Users must go to the U.S. Government Printing Office website for updates (www.gpo.gov/fdsys). Proquest announced it will take over the publication of the *Statistical Abstract* with the 2013 edition.

Statistics Sources (1977-present). Detroit, MI: Gale (part of Cengage Learning).

This is a guide to current sources of factual, quantitative information on more than 20,000 highly specific subjects covering financial, industrial, business, social, educational, and other topics.

Virginia State of the Judiciary Report. Richmond: Supreme Court of Virginia (1975-present).

This annual report presents detailed facts and analysis regarding the practice of law before the courts of the commonwealth. The report is available at www.courts.state.va.us/courtadmin/aoc/judpln/cis/sjr/2009/state_of_the_judiciary_report.pdf.

Virginia Statistical Abstract. Charlottesville, VA: University of Virginia.

This publication, last published in print in 2000, is now updated only at the Weldon Cooper Center for Public

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Richmond: Supreme Court

Detailed facts and analysis before the courts of the United States is available at <http://www.aocjudpln/cis/sjr/2009/>

Charlottesville, VA: University of

in print in 2000, is now published by Cooper Center for Public

Service, Center for Economics and Policy Studies website, www.coopercenter.org/econ/vastat. It covers topics such as agriculture, banking, crime, demographics, earnings, and e-commerce. It is an excellent source for statistical information related to Virginia.

World Almanac and Book of Facts (1886-present). New York, NY: World Almanac Education Group, Inc.

This work offers statistical and other information on a wide variety of subjects, including economy, business and energy, sports, science and technology, and crimes and courts. A detailed index makes finding information easy.

8.6 DIRECTORIES

Directories provide lists of names, addresses, and related data about specific groups, institutions, or organizations and include a master index. A directory can help find governmental or nongovernmental entities to which a client's concerns may be addressed.

8.601 Printed Directories. The following directories may be useful.

Almanac of the Federal Judiciary. New York, NY: Aspen Law & Business, 1984-present.

The first volume lists district judges, and the second volume includes the United States Supreme Court and the circuit judges. The volumes review each federal judge's career and reputation, and each entry describes attorneys' perspectives about judges as well as information about the judge's courtroom demeanor. The set is supplemented semiannually.

Almanac of Virginia Politics. Falls Church: Woman Activist Fund, Inc., 2012. Biennial.

The publication describes the economic, social, and political characteristics of each Senate and House legislative district in Virginia and identifies the legislator who represents it.

BNA's Directory of State and State Courts, Judges and Clerks. 2012 ed. Arlington, VA: BNA, Inc., 2012.

This directory contains addresses and phone numbers for state and federal judges and clerks of court. It is published annually.

The Book of the States. 2011 ed. Lexington, KY: The Council of State Governments.

This single volume presents information about the structure, functions, finances, and personnel of each state, including facts, figures, insights, and information on all aspects of state government. It is published biennially.

Congressional Yellow Book. New York, NY: Leadership Directories, Inc., 2012.

This quarterly publication contains names, addresses, and biographies of members of Congress as well as the names of staff members. Photographs of members of Congress are included.

Directory of Corporate Counsel, 2011-2012. Boston, MA: Aspen Publishers.

This directory of American and Canadian corporate counsel and nonprofit organizations lists names, addresses, and biographies of in-house counsel and provides Internet URLs for corporations and organizations. It is published annually.

Directory III—Administrative
The Book of the States
Council of State Governments

This directory of state governments is published annually.

Encyclopedia of Associations
2009.

This annual guide to international organizations is published in print and online formats. It is an alphabetical listing of addresses. It is published annually.

Federal-State Court Directory
(*Court Directory*).

This annual directory of federal court addresses of court judges is diagrammed, and each court. The directory is available online to subscribers.

Federal Yellow Book. New York, NY: Leadership Directories, Inc., 2012.

This quarterly publication provides understanding of the structure, functions, and personnel of each branch and industry. It is a "Who's Who" of agencies. The publication provides addresses for some agencies.

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Directory III—Administrative Officials (companion volume with
The Book of the States, listed above). Lexington, KY:
Council of State Governments, 2012.

This directory of high-ranking officials in state
governments is arranged by department and is published
annually.

Encyclopedia of Associations. 48th ed. Detroit, MI: Thomson-Gale,
2009.

This annual guide to more than 22,000 national and
international organizations is available in a variety of
formats. It is an excellent source for URLs and email
addresses. It is published annually.

Federal-State Court Directory (formerly *Want's Federal-State
Court Directory*). Washington, DC: CQ Press, 2012.

This annual directory is useful to find the names and
addresses of courts and clerks. Each state's court structure
is diagrammed, and the publication provides the URLs for
each court. The directory information is also available
online to subscribers.

Federal Yellow Book. New York, NY: Leadership Directories, Inc.,
2012.

This quarterly publication is an invaluable aid to
understanding the intricate nature of the federal executive
branch and independent agencies. Essentially, it is a
"Who's Who" of the executive branch and independent
agencies. The publication includes URLs and email
addresses for some federal agencies and officials.

Law and Legal Information Directory. 23d ed. Farmington Hills, MI: Gale, 2011.

This annual directory covers national and international organizations, bar associations, bar examination and admission to practice requirements, the federal court system and federal regulatory agencies, highest state courts, law schools, continuing legal education, paralegal education, scholarships, grants, awards and prizes, information services and systems, special libraries and research centers, legal periodicals, book and media publishers, speaker bureaus, lawyer referral services, legal aid and public defender offices, legislative manuals and registers, state government agencies and authorities, and much, much more.

Law Firms Yellow Book: Who's Who in the Management of the Leading U.S. Law Firms. New York, NY: Leadership Directories, 2012.

This single volume is similar to other titles in the “Leadership Library” by Leadership Directories. Other directories cover areas such as federal government, state government, municipalities, corporate, news media, financial, judiciary, government affairs and the nonprofit sector. The *Leadership Library on the Internet* delivers contact and biographical information quickly, is updated daily, and is available to subscribers at www.leadershipdirectories.com.

Martindale-Hubbell Directory of Experts & Legal Services. New Providence, RI: LexisNexis, 2009.

This directory is arranged into two main sections: "Roster of Experts & Legal Services" arranged by subject matter and including company and/or individual names with addresses and telephone numbers and "Advertisers of Experts & Legal Services."

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This is the print directory for health care providers, clients, and biographers. The directory is available online at www.healthcareproviders.org. It states, uniform listing of health care providers and companies has been discontinued with the print source. A variety of formats are available and is searchable by specialty. Internet at www.healthcareproviders.org website that describes the process of rated health care providers with the information about doctors, dentists, nurses, and other health professionals. Information about disciplinary history.

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This report contains information that is confidential and judicial decisions. It is not to be distributed outside gubernatorial decisions. This report is the last edition published by the Virginia Judicial Branch. Current editions of this report are available at virginia.gov/State.

The Tax Directory. Arlin

This annual publication serves as a compendium of Revenue Service projects alphabetically arranged by project.

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Martindale-Hubbell Law Directory. New Providence, NJ:
Martindale-Hubbell.

This is the principal reference for names, representative clients, and biographies of attorneys throughout the world. The directory includes also digests of the laws of the states, uniform laws, and a directory of law-related service providers and consultants. A digest of the laws of nations has been discontinued in print and is no longer available with the print subscription. The directory is available in a variety of formats, including access through LexisNexis, and is searchable in a free, abbreviated version via the Internet at www.martindale.com. AVVO.com is a new website that describes itself as the "largest online directory of rated health and legal professionals to empower you with the information you need." It began in 2006, rates doctors, dentists, and lawyers, and provides profiles with information about lawyer experience, background, disciplinary history, and reviews from clients.

Report of the Secretary of the Commonwealth to the Governor and the General Assembly. Richmond, VA: Virginia Secretary of the Commonwealth, 1924/25-present.

This report contains information on executive, legislative, and judicial departments, independent agencies, and gubernatorial documents. It is published annually. The last edition published in print was the 2004-05 edition; current editions are now available at www.commonwealth.virginia.gov/StateGovernment/Bluebook/report.cfm.

The Tax Directory. Arlington: Tax Analysts, 2009-2010.

This annual publication, which is updated quarterly, serves as a comprehensive telephone book for the Internal Revenue Service. It lists tax officials by state and alphabetically and outlines who is in charge of specific projects.

Virginia Review Directory of State and Local Government Officials. Chester, Va.: Review Publications, 2009-2010.

This publication provides names, titles, addresses, and phone numbers and is the "Who's Who" of Virginia government. Photographs of cabinet secretaries of Virginia are also included. Subscribers can also search this directory at www.vareview.com.

Virginia State Agency Directory Search. Richmond, VA: virginia.gov.

This resource contains mailing addresses and telephone and fax listings for state agencies and institutions. The directory search is only available online at www.agencydirectory.virginia.gov/index.cfm.

Virginia Trial Lawyers Association Members Directory and Services. Richmond, VA. Virginia Trial Lawyers Association.

The *Directory* provides an alphabetical listing of members available only to members. It also includes a searchable database to help visitors find a lawyer either by name or location.

Virginia's Legal Directory (states of Virginia and West Virginia). Dallas, TX: Legal Directories Publ'g Co., Inc., 2011.

Issued annually, the publication provides information about state government, county and municipal governments, the courts and attorneys in both Virginia and West Virginia.

Washington Information Congressional Quarterly

This list of government officials in Washington, DC is updated annually.

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services used by attorneys. This list of directories that mirror each other. Because the directories are updated annually, the researcher is advised to check the literature to determine if the information is helpful. The researcher should use the vendor's customer service for locating relevant references.

8.603 Internet

the Internet is to find information that is accurate, and valuable. Because of a variety of Internet services, changing website names, and the fact that online, no single research source provides references to this dynamic environment.

Ambrogi, Robert J. "Web 2.0: The New News."

Ambrogi, a Massachusetts attorney, writes about the Internet in a regular column, "Web 2.0," in *News*. His articles provide other research to the researcher. For example, he has entitled *Research* in the *Bloomberg Law* and

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Publications, 2009-2010.

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Washington Information Directory. Washington, DC:
Congressional Quarterly, 2010-2011.

This list of government and private agencies with offices in
Washington, DC contains a list of foreign embassies and is
updated annually.

8.602 Online Directories. The major database
services used by attorneys, Lexis and Westlaw, contain a variety
of directories that mirror the printed versions of the services.
Because the directories are too numerous to summarize here, the
researcher is advised to examine the vendors' promotional
literature to determine whether an online directory would be
helpful. The researcher is also advised to discuss with each
vendor's customer service representatives the best search strategy
for locating relevant references.

8.603 Internet Resources. The challenge when using
the Internet is to find websites that are reliable, relevant,
accurate, and valuable. The resources listed below are examples of
a variety of Internet sites and publications. Because of ever-
changing website names and the vast volume of information
online, no single research guide can be comprehensive in its
references to this dynamic medium.

Ambrogi, Robert J. "Web Watch" column, *LTN: Law Technology
News*.

Ambrogi, a Massachusetts attorney who writes extensively
about the Internet and its usefulness to attorneys, writes a
regular column, "Web Watch," in *LTN: Law Technology
News*. His articles frequently focus on useful websites and
other research topics that researchers can use for legal
research. For example, his October 2011 column was
entitled *Research Wars* and discussed the development of
Bloomberg Law and its effect on LexisNexis and Westlaw.

American Bar Association: www.americanbar.org/aba.html.

This official site of the American Bar Association offers articles on a variety of subjects, hosts topical discussion groups, includes information about the various sections of the ABA, and identifies ABA publications available on special and general legal issues.

Coggins, Timothy L. *Legal, Factual and Other Internet Sites for Attorneys and Legal Professionals*. 15 *Richmond Journal of Law & Technology* 13 (2009), available at <http://jolt.richmond.edu/v15i4/article13.pdf>. (A revised version of this article entitled *Finding Legal, Factual, and Other Information in a Digital World* will appear in a summer 2012 issue of the *Richmond Journal of Law & Technology*).

This bibliography of legal research and other websites covers comprehensive research sites, search engines, legislative and administrative materials, Virginia materials, foreign and international law sites, directories, sites for people, places, weather, records, company information, expert witnesses, and other topics.

Cornell University Law School Legal Information Institute: www.law.cornell.edu

This website offers access to a wide range of legal primary sources, both federal and state. Its "Law About. . ." portion offers excellent research guides and information about many legal subjects, ranging from adoption to employment to civil rights to workers' compensation. Many researchers find this site to be one of the best to use when searching an online version of the *United States Code*.

Findlaw: www.findlaw.com

Findlaw, a Thomson Reuters business now, offers a legal website for the member of the general public and a special site for the legal profession. To access the one for the legal

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professional, use <http://lp.findlaw.com>. A researcher can
browse in several different ways: by cases, code or articles;
by jurisdiction; or by practice area.

Levitt, Carole A. & Mark E. Rosch, *The Cybersleuth's Guide to the Internet: Conducting Effective Investigative & Legal Research on the Web*. 8th ed. Culver City, CA: Internet for Lawyers, 2006.

These authors attempt to provide the "most credible and
up-to-date information about the resources on the Internet
that are useful to attorneys." The book includes chapters
about search engines, Google, free investigative research
resources, finding military personnel, locating assets, and
many, many other topics. See also two other books by the
same authors: *The Lawyer's Guide to Fact Finding on the Internet* (3d ed. 2006) and *Finding Info Like a Pro* (2010).

Maxwell, Bruce. *Washington Online: How to Access the Federal Government on the Internet*. 4th ed. Washington, DC: Congressional Quarterly, Inc., 1999.

This text focuses on detailed descriptions of Internet sites,
mailing lists, databases, and other resources. The wealth
of data available—from census data to tax forms—provides
the researcher with an economical way of obtaining
government information.

The National Center for State Courts: www.ncsconline.org

The National Center for State Courts, located in
Williamsburg, has an extensive list of websites for the
courts of Virginia and other states, including trial courts
and municipal courts.

Que's Official Internet Yellow Pages. Indianapolis, IN: Que, 1999-present (issued annually).

This title replaces *New Riders' Official World Wide Web Yellow Pages* and is similar to the telephone yellow pages. It is organized in an easy to use A-to-Z format and groups items by category. Information provided includes the URL address, keyword indexing used to locate the published reference, the intended audience of the site, a profile of the site's contents, and the person to contact for assistance.

8.7 QUICK REFERENCE

This "quick reference" section is designed to guide the researcher to useful texts and other sources. The sources of information below guide the researcher to other sources that contain the needed information.

Hazleton, Penny. *Specialized Legal Research*. New York, NY: Wolters Kluwer Law & Business, 2001 & 2011 Supp.

This publication includes chapters about research in complex areas of practice; each chapter is written by an experienced law librarian. There are annual supplements provided.

Index to Course Handbooks. New York, NY: Practicing Law Institute.

Handbooks from PLI seminars often include chapters about recent legal developments that have not yet been discussed in treatises, law review articles and other sources. This annual edition of the *Index to Course Handbooks* helps the researcher locate the sources that might be useful. The full text of the chapters in the *Course Handbooks* are also searchable in Westlaw.

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Lawyers Desk Reference. 9th ed. Eagan, MN: West (Thomson Reuters), 2001 & 2011-2012 Supp.

This four-volume set contains names and addresses of expert witnesses in many categories, scientific and medical references, and occupational safety references.

Shepard's Acts and Cases by Popular Names. 5th ed. Colorado Springs, CO: Shepard's (LexisNexis), 2010.

This publication consists of two alphabetical listings by popular names, one for federal and state laws and one for federal and state cases. There are regular supplements provided to subscribers.

United States Government Manual. Office of the Federal Register, National Archives and Records Administration. Washington, DC: U.S. Gov't Printing Office, 2011.

This official handbook of the federal government provides comprehensive information on the agencies of the legislative, judicial and executive branches. It also includes information on quasi-official agencies, international organizations in which the United States participates, and boards, commissions, and committees. The *Manual* begins with reprints of the Declaration of Independence and the federal Constitution. The URLs for the various departments and agencies are also included. The *Manual* is published annually and can be viewed in full text at www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/GOVMAN-2011-10-05/xml/GOVMAN-2011-10-05.xml or searched online at www.gpo.gov/fdsys.