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New Library Resources

Congress & the Courts

The Congress & the Courts library on HeinOnline features Manz's Congress and the Courts: A Legislative History 1787-2010, brings together materials reflecting Congress' concern with the composition and structure of Article III Courts. Also included are Federal Judicial Center Publications, links to other HeinOnline content, and more.

Faculty Library Guide

For the first time in electronic format, the Faculty Library Guide provides information on library contacts, services, and resources available to the RWU Law Faculty. This new and improved guide includes hyperlinks to relevant resources, online request forms, and email links to make requests more convenient.

As always, suggestions for additions or improvements are welcome!

Faculty Library Collection Online

The titles in the Faculty Library are now available within the Faculty Library Guide for easy access to the current issues of law reviews and other titles housed in the physical library:

- California Law Review
- Columbia Law Review
- Harvard Law Review
- Michigan Law Review
- New York University Law Review
- Stanford Law Review
- University of Chicago Law Review
- University of Pennsylvania Law Review
- Virginia Law Review
- Yale Law Journal
- United States Code Annotated (Westlaw)
- Rhode Island General Laws (Lexis)
- Chronicle of Higher Education
We welcome your suggestions on additional titles that can be added to this electronic resource.
Current Awareness

**SmartCILP: An Individualized *Current Index to Legal Periodicals***

As a faculty member, you receive weekly emails of the *Current Index to Legal Periodicals* (CILP). CILP indexes recently published articles by subject and also includes the table of contents to the journals it indexes. To stay informed of only those articles published in your area(s) of interest or in particular journals, set up a SmartCILP profile. SmartCILP allows you to personalize the *Current Index to Legal Periodicals* by setting up a user profile. Your user profile is a selection of subject and topic headings and/or the journals for which you wish to receive the article citations. You can change your user profile at any time. To create a profile, visit the [SmartCILP site](#) and use the Law School’s authorization code 3292. If you need assistance with setting up a SmartCILP, do not hesitate to contact your librarian liaison.

Reader Services Librarian Nan Balliot’s SmartCILP user profile is set up to receive citations to published articles on the subjects of legal analysis and writing, legal education, and legal research and bibliography. The following is a sample from Nan's SmartCILP results from July 13, 2012.

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**SmartCILP - July 13, 2012**

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LEGAL EDUCATION

See: **MERcer LAW REVIEW** below.
See: **PERSpectives, TEACHing LEGAL RESEARCH AND WRITING** below.


(For contents see the Tables of Contents of Indexed Law Reviews for this journal.)
Research

Interdisciplinary Research Resources

The law school faculty has access to many social science and other non-legal periodicals through the University Library. Large databases of general social science periodical content available to law school faculty are Academic Search Premier, JSTOR and ProQuest Central. These three databases contain hundreds of electronic journals which are browseable alphabetically, by subject, and searchable by keyword.

A useful place to start non-legal research is the Articles and Databases page, where you can browse or search resources by subject, browse by resource title, or simultaneously search many resources using the "multi-search" box.
Have you ever wondered what it would be like if all the materials in the library were placed haphazardly? While you could arrange a library by color, that is not a helpful or efficient way to do it, particularly when your collection is over 300,000 volumes and includes electronic materials. That is where Kathleen comes in as the Catalog Librarian for the Law School Library.

As the cataloger, Kathleen organizes the collection, helps to keep it current and makes it accessible whether in book or electronic format. For example, she assigns call numbers which enable the staff to shelve related materials together. Our library uses the Library of Congress call numbers, also used by all academic libraries in the United States and by many public libraries. The call number or classification number is a series of letters and numbers that are chosen based on the subject of the item. The book, microform or electronic resource may then further be classified by author or title to make for an orderly arrangement on the shelf or on the computer screen.

Not everything receives a classification number such as periodicals or vertical file materials. In this case the materials are arranged alphabetically by title.

As the cataloger of the library’s materials, Kathleen creates records or edits purchased records for electronic collections to enable users to locate relevant research sources. Subjects, authors, titles, tables of contents, web links and more can be accessed by
using the library’s web catalog, making it a powerhouse research tool. Try starting your research with the Law School Library’s web catalog—you might be surprised by how much is available in one place.

Kathleen has been working in the Law Library since 1994. She holds a Master Degree in Library & Information Science from Simmons College.
Password Management using Passpack

Are you using the same password on two or more sites where you have sensitive information, such as financial institutions or email accounts? If you are, there are many reasons why you should not, particularly after recent news stories about security breaches involving major email providers, LinkedIn, Dropbox and other online services. However, coming up with memorable passwords and remembering them is difficult.

In the library, we manage passwords for our vendor websites, licensed database administration, password restricted databases, and much more. We recently discovered Passpack as an elegant solution that offers both online and offline password management.

Free for up to 100 passwords, Passpack uses very secure authentication for its database. When you sign up, you create a username, password and packing key. While the password can be recovered by requesting it from Passpack, your packing key is encrypted and cannot be recovered from the company, making this an extremely secure product. For the packing key, use a phrase or sentence that you can easily remember. One good possibility is to use a security question and answer, in the form of a sentence. For example, "MyFirstCarWasADodgeDart". Spaces count, so pick a memorable phrase and don't forget whether you used spaces.

Passpack offers other features which include mobile access, "suggest" passwords, an anti-phishing "Welcome message", password sharing, and auto-login for over 25,000 websites via its PasspackIt! button and 1-Click login. Read more about PassPack.

Although we are sold on Passpack, there are other alternatives. Lifehacker has compiled a list and reviewed the "five best password managers".