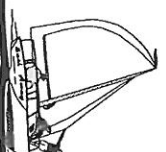


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New United States Supreme Court Term


The 2002 Term of the United States Supreme Court begins October 7th. For information on how to follow the Court's activities, consult the following research tips.




Research Tips From the Experts:


United States Supreme Court

For those of you who plan to follow the activities of the United States Supreme Court during its upcoming term, there are web sites which may be of interest to you. Materials available through these sources may include full-text opinions, case briefs, summaries or transcripts of oral arguments, Court rules, biographical information on the Justices, and news coverage about the Court.


 The Court's official web site (<http://supremecourt.us.gov>) provides access to slip opinions, orders, the argument calendar, schedules, special notices, transcripts of oral arguments, and press releases starting with the 1999 Term of the Court. General information about the Court is also included at the web site.

 Findlaw's *Supreme Court Center* (http://supreme.lp.findlaw.com/supreme_court/resources.html) features the current term docket, decisions, orders, briefs, rules, and calendar.

 The Supreme Court collection at the Cornell Law School Legal Information Institute (LII) web site (<http://supct.law.cornell.edu/supct>) contains decisions arrayed by date; orders granting and denying cert.; rulings on procedural matters in pending cases; the court calendar and oral argument schedule; and questions presented in cases to be heard. You can receive syllabi of the Court's decisions via email on the date each is decided by subscribing to a current awareness service offered by LII.

 The Law Library subscribes to *U.S. Law Week* by the Bureau of National Affairs (BNA) in both print and via the web. This resource contains information about cases brought before the Court from the initial docketing of the case until its conclusion. At the web site are Journals of Proceedings, argument schedule, status of cases, text of opinions, and argument and review stories. The web site is accessible from the Law

Library's "Research Links" page under the heading "Consortium and Subscription Sites." Once at the web site, click on "U.S. Supreme Court Today."

 For those who would like to listen to argument, but cannot make it to Washington, D.C., the *Oyez Oyez Oyez* site at Northwestern University (<http://oyez.nwu.edu>) provides recordings of Supreme Court oral arguments.



Library News

New Look!

The Law Library's home page has recently been updated. The new look includes "Quick Links to Web Databases and Indexes," "Quick Facts" about the library, and "Library Telephone Numbers for Assistance." The former "Legal Web Sites" page has also been redesigned. It is now the "Research Links" page. The new design allows quicker access to specific sites and includes many new links. Clicking on the "Research Links" categories will access annotated listings of the web sites with links to the web sites if you need more information.