

# World Constitutions Illustrated Contemporary & Historical Documents and Resources

# Quick Reference Guide

More than a decade ago, with the input of multiple libraries, we developed the world's largest online collection of law periodicals. In the spirit of that tremendous achievement, we had a new vision. We again partnered with libraries to create the world's largest collection of constitutions and constitutional documents.

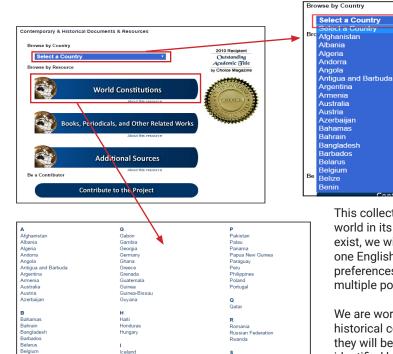
This database enables scholars to research constitutional and political developments of the nations of our world by providing access to all types of historic and current constitutional documents, monographs and periodicals. Libraries are encouraged to contribute to the ever-growing collection!

#### **World Constitutions**

World Constitutions Illustrated contains thousands of contemporary and historical documents, as well as many features to enable users to browse and search across the constitutional law of more than 190 countries.

## **Selecting a Country**

Browse the database either by selecting a country from the drop-down box or selecting the World Constitutions to view a complete list of every country in the world.



#### Database Includes:

- Current constitution of every country
- Constitutional histories of all countries
- Thousands of books on constitutional law, with specific chapters tied to specific countries
- Thousands of articles about constitutional development
- Links to online resources related to political development
- Bibliographies of constitutional monographs

This collection contains the current constitution of every country in the world in its original language. Where multiple original-language versions exist, we will provide them all. Most countries also include at least one English translation. Since translations depend on and reveal the preferences of translator and time, where possible we provide you with multiple points of view.

We are working to identify and include source documents for every historical constitution of the world. As historical documents are identified, they will be added to the database in chronological order. Documents identified but not yet included are listed to create a bibliography and documentary history of the constitutional development. For every constitutional document, researchers can find the original text, amending laws, consolidated text, and important related texts. The database also includes links to scholarly articles\* and commentary.

\* You must be subscribed to the Law Journal Library to link to the articles.

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## How to Find a Constitution

Once a country has been selected from the listing, the constitutions, amendments and other related documents available for that country will be listed in a hierarchical format, with the most current material listed at the top of the page. To view the most current iteration of the constitution, select 'Constitutions and Fundamental Laws,' and then select the most current supplement. To date, 2014 is the most current edition of the *Constitution of the United States of America*.





# **Working Inside Constitutions**

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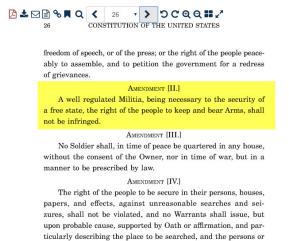
Once a constitution or other document has been selected, use the table of contents at the left of the screen to locate specific sections. For example, let's find the text of the Second Amendment of the most current consolidated *Constitution of the United States of America*. In the table of contents, the text of the Amendments is found on page 23.



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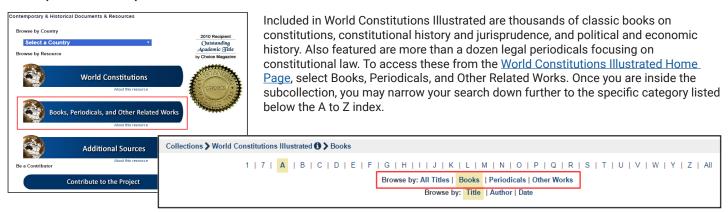
Search

Navigate through the pages of Amendments to find the text of the Second Amendment, which is found on page 26.



Use the image toolbar, located above the PDF image of any HeinOnline document, to perform various functions, including downloading an instant PDF of a section, emailing a section to another user, creating permanent links, searching, and more. For example, search for the phrase "unreasonable searches" in the Amendments section of the Constitution of the United States.

## **Books, Periodicals, and Other Related Works**



### **Classic Constitutional Books**

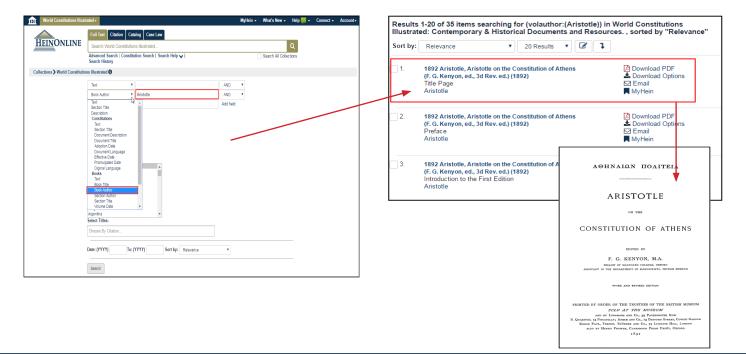
In addition to the thousands of classic treatises on constitutions, there are also hundreds of other works such as studies, cases and conventions that have been identified. This subcollection includes works by some of the greatest minds in history, including:

- Aristotle
- Francis Bacon
- Edward Corwin
- Walter Fairleigh Dodd
- Max Farrand
- Henry Hallam
- Jean Louis de Lolme
- · Henry Maine

- · Frederic Maitland
- Karl Marx
- Montague
- Thomas Paine
- Francis Palgrave
- Amos Peaslee
- William Prynne

- Theodore Roosevelt
- Joseph Story
- William Stubbs
- · Hannis Taylor
- Francis Newton Thorpe
- Daniel Webster
- · Woodrow Wilson

To view these works, either browse a <u>complete collection of titles</u> or search for a specific title or author using our advanced search option. For example, to located a specific author, first select Advanced Search and then select "Book Author" from the drop-down field menu. Then type the name of the author whose titles you would like to find.



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#### **Periodicals**

To view more than a dozen legal periodicals on constitutional law, select Periodicals from the browse by options inside the 'Books, Periodicals and Other Related Works' subcollection. Navigate to the periodical you would like to view and select the volume. Using Hein's ScholarCheck, you can see which other law review articles from the Law Journal Library cite the article you are reading and quickly link to those articles!\* The following periodicals are included:

- · Bill of Rights Review
- Chinese Social and Political Science Review
- Constitutional Commentary
- Constitutional Forum
- Constitutional Review
- Duke Journal of Constitutional Law & Public Policy
- · East European Constitutional Review
- · First Amendment Law Review
- Hastings Constitutional Law Quarterly

- Historia Constitucional
- Historia Constitucional de Colombia
- International Journal of Constitutional Law
- Niles' National Register
- Review of Constitutional Studies
- Seton Hall Constitution Journal
- University of Pennsylvania Journal of Constitutional Law
- Vienna Online Journal of International Constitutional Law



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