Spinelli’s Law Library Reference Shelf

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A collection of works, scholarly articles and tools for librarians, faculty, law school administrators and students!

Initially conceived as a collection specifically for law librarians, Spinelli’s Law Library Reference Shelf now has an increased scope for the entire legal research community. Dick Spinelli brings his more than 45 years of experience in working with librarians and law libraries to the creation and editing of this collection.

For librarians, this unique collection brings together checklists, newsletters, and cataloging tools. For legal researchers, it contains research guides, bibliographies, dictionaries, and biographies. For faculty and administrators, it houses a section on Legal Education and much more.

Oral History of Law Librarianship

The Oral History of Law Librarianship series contains video interviews of active and retired law librarians and others related to the profession. This ongoing series showcases individuals in the profession as they reflect on their experiences. New video interviews are added monthly.

Tools and resources for law librarians include:
- AALL Publications Series
- AALS Law Books Recommended for Libraries
- Tarlton Law Library’s Legal Bibliography, Legal History and Oral History Series
- Library of Congress Classification Schedules and Subject Headings
- Hein’s Checklist of Statutes
- Annual Legal Bibliography of Harvard Law School
- Legal Information Alert
- Memorials of Law Librarians
- Current Publications in Legal and Related Fields
- GreenSlips (archive of bibliographic entries)

Resources for every legal researcher include:
- More than 200 legal dictionaries, including:
  - Bouvier’s Law Dictionary and Concise Encyclopedia
- More than 490 legal bibliographies, including:
  - Morris Cohen’s award-winning Bibliography of Early American Law (BEAL) including the supplemental volume
  - State Practice Materials: Annotated Bibliographies
  - Catalogue of the Law Collection at New York University
- AALL GD-SIS State Bibliographies
- Links to Georgetown’s Law Library Research Guides
- More than 50 subject-based pathfinders in Hein’s Legal Research Guides Series
- Current Index to Legal Periodicals (CILP)
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Bibliographies
More than 490 bibliographic works can be found in this section. Some notable titles included are:

- *Bibliography of Early American Law (BEAL)* by Morris Cohen
- *Hein’s Checklist of Statutes (State and Territorial)* (1987-2015)
- *Catalogue of the Law Collection at New York University with Selected Annotations* compiled and edited by Julius Marke (1953)
- *Current Index to Legal Periodicals (CILP)* (1945-2016)
- *Current Publications in Legal and Related Fields*, volumes 1-61 (1953-2013)
- *Men and Books Famous in the Law* by Frederick C. Hicks (1921)
- *Abbreviations Used in Law Books* by John T. Morse Jr. (1899)

Biographies
This section contains publications on individuals such as Aaron Burr, James Bryce, Salmon Chase, Edward Coke, Stephen J. Field, Henry Fielding, Samuel Foot and many more.

Legal Dictionaries
This section contains more than 200 legal dictionaries, including:

- *Black’s Law Dictionary* 1st (1891) and 2nd (1910) eds., by Henry Campbell Black
- *Quote It II: A Dictionary of Memorable Legal Quotations*, compiled by Eugene C. Gerhart (1988)
- *Law in Shakespeare* (1883)
- And many more!

Legal Education
This section is of interest to law school administrators, faculty, librarians and other legal researchers. Among the titles included are:

- *ABA Standards and Rules of Procedure for Approval of Law Schools* (1973-2014/5)
- *Official Guide to ABA Approved Law Schools*

Legal Research Guide Series
Hein’s Legal Research Guides Series is designed to present an in-depth analysis of the resources available for researching various subject areas. Each guide focuses on a particular subject and includes annotated discussions of the primary, secondary, and non-legal source materials, as well as lists of useful ancillary tools and databases. Some notable guides include:

- *Federal Income Tax Law*
- *Identity Theft*
- *Legal Ethics (2nd ed.)*
- *Sexual Harassment in the Workplace*
- And many more

Georgetown Law Library Research Guides
With the cooperation and support of Georgetown University’s Law School Library, links are provided to it’s website to access Georgetown Legal Research Guides. Some of the subjects covered are Art Law, Bioethics, Copyright Law, Health Law, Immigration Law, Labor and Employment Law, and Securities Law.
Tarlton Law Library Publications
- Tarlton Law Library Legal Bibliography Series
- Tarlton Law Library Legal History Series
- Tarlton Law Library Oral History Series
- Other publications associated with the Tarlton Law Library, including proceedings of conferences held there

AALL GD-SIS State Bibliographies
Now includes more than 100 state bibliographies!

This series includes the full text of all bibliographies published through 2015. The Government Documents Special Interest Section (GD-SIS) was established in 1974 to disseminate information on government documents to AALL members and to further the continuing education of law librarians in documents librarianship.

AALL Publications Series
This project began in 1960 as a series of professional monographs, designed primarily to serve as a medium for advancing the knowledge and skills of professional law librarians. The series contains manuals, bibliographies, and many other tools, in more than 200 individual titles. Titles include:
- Briefs in Law Librarianship, edited by Bobbie Studwell (1997-2010, 15 vols.)
- Landmark Indian Law Cases (2002)
- Pimsleur's Checklist of Basic American Legal Publications edited by Meira Pimesleur and Marcia Zubrow (1962-2009)
- United States Tribal Courts Directory by April Schwartz and Mary Jo Hunter (2002-2008)

Cataloging Publications
This section includes a number of cataloging publications and tools that will serve as remarkable aids for catalogers. All Library of Congress Classification Schedules are included from A to Z covering all subjects in the classification system. This allows catalogers to link from the Library of Congress Subject Heading to the classification schedules, and from the classification schedules to the tables, all in a matter of seconds! With the ability to browse or search across all subject areas in the classification system, these tools will prove to be invaluable for librarians and/or catalogers beyond just the law library.
Significant title included:
- Monthly Catalog of United States Government Publications (All Published)

Memorials of Law Librarians
Includes memorials published in the Law Library Journal from 1916-2014. You can link directly to the memorial as published in the Journal.

Spirit of Law Librarianship Award
Each year, the Roy M. Mersky Spirit of Law Librarianship Award honors one law librarian or law library organization for service to the community. The award winners are presented in an easy-to-navigate chart that allows you to link directly to the winners’ essays.

Scholarly Articles
This section includes links to hundreds of relevant law review articles that discuss various aspects of legal education and law librarianship. All articles have been hand-selected from HeinOnline’s Law Journal Library. Using Hein's ScholarCheck, you can link to other scholarly articles that cite editors' picks. *

Serials
Includes more than three dozen titles that are of value to law libraries. Notable titles include:
- AALL Spectrum (1996-current)
- Legal Information Alert (1981-2011)
- LH & RB: Newsletter of the Legal History and Rare Books SIS 1991-2014 (full text), 1991-current (indexed)
- PLL Perspectives (Private Law Libraries) SIS (1989-2012)
- Technical Services Law Librarian (1975-2015)
- And many more

*To access the full text of the law review articles, you must be subscribed to the Law Journal Library.
Greenslips Bibliographic Service

The GreenSlips Bibliographic Service will allow researchers to search across the entire archive of bibliographic entries that have been distributed since 1994 via Hein's GreenSlips service. The Electronic GreenSlips database contains bibliographic information for more than 60,000 legal titles. Each entry or “slip” includes the author, title, publisher, LC numbers, series information, price and other bibliographic information. If you subscribe to the Electronic GreenSlips service, you will be able to search the database from within this library and then link directly to your account to utilize all the tools included in your full-service subscription. PLUS, subscribers to this service will get a discounted price if you choose to subscribe to Spinelli’s Law Library Reference Shelf. If you do not subscribe to the Electronic GreenSlips service, you will still be able to search across the database and view the bibliographic entries, but you will not be able to utilize the premium features available with the full service. We are offering a discounted combo price if you choose to subscribe to both the Electronic GreenSlips service and Spinelli’s Law Library Reference Shelf.

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About the Editor

Dick has been involved in the law library profession for more than 45 years. He spent the first 25 years with Fred B. Rothman & Co. in various positions, ultimately as Vice President. Dick joined the Hein Company as the Vice President of Sales in 1993. Initially he was primarily responsible for sales to all types of law libraries in the United States. During that time Dick visited most academic libraries in the country as well as countless public law libraries and law firm libraries, working directly with librarians on collection development and collection management matters. Since his semi-retirement at the end of 2009, Dick has been involved in consulting and product development for the Hein Company. He has been a member of AALL for more than 40 years as well as a member of numerous local Chapters during that period. Dick was inducted into the AALL Hall of Fame in 2013.

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A portion of the net proceeds will be donated annually to the AALL Grants Committee.

Also, access to this collection will be made available to retired AALL members at no charge.