

Paralegal Research Guide

PRINT REFERENCE SOURCES

(Located in the Law Section)

Reports

Supreme Court Reporter (REF KF101 .S31)

North Carolina Reporter (REF KFN7461 .N68)

North Carolina Reports (REF KFN7445 .A2)

North Carolina Court of Appeals Reports (REF KFN7448 .A2)

Digests

United States Supreme Court Digest (REF KF127 .S23)

North Carolina Digest (REF KFN7457 .W47)

Strong's North Carolina Index (REF KFN7445.6 .S82)

Statutes

General Statutes of North Carolina (REF KFN7430 .A43)

Codes

Uniform Commercial Code (REF KF165 .A8 A4)

Encyclopedias

Corpus Juris Secundum (REF KF154 .C56)

Dictionaries

Black's Law Dictionary (REF KF156 .B53 2004)

Words and Phrases (REF KF156 .W6712)

Yearbooks

Supreme Court Yearbook (REF KF8741 .A1 S9)

Annotations & Citations

USCA: United State Code Annotated (REF KF62 .A3)

Shepard's North Carolina Citations (REF KFN 7447.2 .S46 1995)

Shepard's U.S. Citations (REF KF101.2 .S55 1994)

Forms

Douglas' Forms (REF KFN7468 .D68 on reserve)

CALL NUMBERS FOR BROWSING THE SHELVES

K: General Law

KF: United States Law

KFN: North Carolina Law

ONLINE DATABASES

Westlaw: Available to paralegal students only with use of password. You must obtain the password from your paralegal research instructor.

SIRS Government Reporter: Contains information by and about the U.S. Government. A valuable source for current and historic government documents; landmark and recent U.S. Supreme Court decisions; information about federal departments, agencies, elected leaders and more. US Government Documents - the main database - delivers thousands of carefully selected, full-text documents and graphics from agencies, departments and commissions of the US government. Available on campus and from home with the use of a password.

NC LIVE DATABASES (Available on campus; home access available with password.)

Bills from the NC General Assembly: Available on NC LIVE.*
Links for Bill Look-Up and Full Text Search of bills from 1997 to present; Session Law/Chaptered Bill Search; Tips for Finding Bills; Simple Bill Inquiry; and much more legislation information.

Legislative Directory: Available on NC LIVE.*
Includes links for finding representatives and senators for both the NCGA and the US Congress by county, district, and Zip code. Also includes maps of voter precincts and a history of the current congressional districts.

Learning Express Library: Learning Express is a comprehensive, interactive online library of practice tests and tutorials designed to help you succeed in academic or licensing tests. You'll get immediate scoring, complete answer explanations, and an individualized analysis of your results. See the **LAW ENFORCEMENT** section under "Featured Resources".

PERIODICALS

Campbell Law Observer: Current year on display; previous 3 years in storage (did not receive issues for 2004).

Legal Assistant Today: Current 2 years on display.

National Paralegal Reporter: Current year on display; 2006 in storage, did not receive 2005.

North Carolina Law Review: Current year on display; previous 5 years in storage.

North Carolina State Bar Journal: Current 2 years on display.

Wake Forest Law Review: 2002-2005 present in storage.

WEB SITES OF INTEREST

Martindale-Hubbell Lawyer Locator <http://www.martindale.com>

Constitutions, Statutes, and Codes <http://www.law.cornell.edu/statutes.html>

N.C. General Statutes <http://www.ncga.state.nc.us/Statutes/Statutes.asp>

N.C. General Assembly <http://www.ncga.state.nc.us>

Thomas Legislative Information on the Internet <http://thomas.loc.gov>

ABA's LAWlink Legal Research Jumpstation <http://www.abanet.org/lawlink/home.html>

U.S. Code Search <http://uscode.house.gov/search/criteria.php>