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# Preface

In *The U.S. Supreme Court:* A Bibliography we offer a comprehensive listing of references to works about the Supreme Court. The volume contains citations about the Court, including its history, development, powers, and relations with the other branches of the federal government. This book also focuses on the accomplishments and activities of the individual justices, including their private lives and public careers.

This bibliography is designed to assist librarians, researchers, government personnel, and the general reader interested in the Supreme Court. The citations were drawn from a variety of fields, including business, economics, political science, law, history, public administration, and the general social sciences and humanities. The bibliography cites books, articles, dissertations, essays, and research reports. Because of the overwhelming array of U.S. government documents dealing with the Supreme Court, we have omitted them. Consequently, the bibliography does not include nomination hearings, memorials, or other government documents about the Court or individual justices. However, an annotated list of guides to government documents is included in the introduction to this volume. Since the bibliography is intended primarily for an English-speaking audience, the citations are to English-language works. In general, the time period covered is from 1850 to 1989, although the occasional citation to materials published earlier is included.

For the most part, works included in the bibliography fulfill three main criteria: writings are analytical, scholarly, and not merely descriptive. Consequently, the emphasis is on research monographs, articles from major journals, and dissertations. Because the amount of descriptive materials aimed at policy makers is enormous, we selectively chose to include such works in some categories, especially in areas where little scholarly work has been done. Thus, while the bibliography does contain a considerable amount of popular literature, it is by no means complete. Generally, we tended to list only materials that were commercially available and that could be found in academic libraries and large public libraries.

In addition to the bibliographic citations, this book also includes an introduction to research resources on the Supreme Court. The introduction is intended to acquaint the researcher with the different types of resources available when researching the Supreme Court. Some of these resources are specific guides to finding or interpreting statutes, whereas others are general guide books to government and legal publications. Also discussed are books, periodicals, indexes, and on-line databases that provide background information on the Supreme Court and current events. We were selective in the resources included in the introduction, and the annotations were kept as simple as possible.

The bibliographic citations are separated into two major sections. The first section

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of the bibliography focuses on the Supreme Court, and is divided into fourteen subject areas: The Development of the Court, The Court and the Federal Government, The Organization of the Court, The Work of the Court, The Court and Civil Liberties, The Court and Equal Rights, The Court and Due Process, The Court and Regulation, The Court and Economic Issues, The Court and Education, Liability, Public Opinion of the Court, The Impact and Implementation of Decisions, and The Members of the Court. The second section of the bibliography is arranged by individual justice in alphabetical order. We also have provided a detailed Subject Index, which identifies more specific subjects, and an Author Index. Because we have listed the bibliographic citations in a classified arrangement, the best way to look for materials is to use the Table of Contents and the Subject Index.

In compiling this bibliography, we checked a variety of sources. Primarily, we searched forty-six indexes, either in their paper form, on CD-ROM, or on-line:

### ABC POLSCI

ABS Guide to Recent Publications in Social and Behavioral Sciences

Abstracts on Criminolgy and Penology

Air University Library Index to Military Periodicals

America: History and Life

American Political Science Research Guide

Annual Legal Bibliography

Art Index

Arts and Humanities Citation Index

British Humanities Index

Business Periodicals Index

Combined Retrospective Index to Journals in History

Combined Retrospective Index to Journals in Political Science

Criminal Justice Periodical Index

Current Contents: Social and Behavioral Sciences

Current Index to Journals in Education

Current Law Index

Education Index

Historical Abstracts

Human Resources Abstracts

Humanities Index

Index to Legal Periodicals

Index to Periodical Articles Related to Law

Index to U.S. Government Periodicals

International Bibliography of the Social Sciences: Political Science

International Political Science Abstracts

Journal of Economic Literature

Legal Resource Index

Library Literature

Monthly Digest of Legal Articles

Police Science Abstracts

Psychological Abstracts

Public Affairs Information Service Bulletin

Quarterly Strategic Bibliography

Reader's Guide to Periodical Literature

Religion Index One
Sage Public Administration Abstracts
Sage Urban Studies Abstracts
Selected Rand Abstracts
Social Sciences Citation Index
Social Sciences Index
Sociological Abstracts
United States Political Science Documents
Urban Affairs Abstracts
Women's Studies Abstracts
Writings on American History

For dissertations, we made an exhaustive key word search of Comprehensive Dissertation Index and Dissertation Abstracts. For books and research reports, we checked Books in Print, Cumulative Book Index, American Book Publishing Record, Public Affairs Information Service Bulletin, National Union Catalog, Biographical Books 1876-1949, and Biographical Books 1950-1980 as well as the holdings of the Indiana University libraries.

In addition, we searched the following bibliographies dealing with the Supreme Court and the justices:

- Andrews, Joseph L. The Law in the United States of America: A Selective Bibliographical Guide. New York: New York University Press, 1965.
- Burke, Robert E., and Richard Lowitt. The New Era and the New Deal, 1920-1940. Arlington Heights, IL: Harlan Davidson, 1981.
- Cassare, Ernest. History of the United States: A Guide to Information Sources. Detroit: Gale Research, 1977.
- Chambliss, William J., and Robert B. Seidman. Sociology of the Law: A Research Bibliography. Berkeley, CA: Glendessary Press, 1970.
- Cronon, E. David. The Second World War and the Atomic Age, 1940-1973. Northbrook, IL: AHM, 1975.
- Dahl, Richard C., and C. E. Bolden. *The American Judge: A Bibliography*. Vienna, VA: Coiner Publications, 1968.
- De Santis, Vincent P. The Gilden Age, 1877-1896. Northbrook, IL: AHM, 1973.
- Donald, David. The Nation in Crisis, 1861-1877. New York: Appleton and Company, 1969.
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- Ferguson, E. James. Confederation, Constitution, and Early National Period, 1781-1815. Northbrook, IL: AHM, 1975.
- Fremlin, Ronald H. Modern Judicial Administration: A Selected and Annotated Bibliography. Reno, NV: National College of the State Judiciary, 1973.
- Hightower, James A. A Bibliography of Books and Documents Written about the One Hundred Men Who Have Sat as Supreme Court Justices, 1789-1971. Washington, DC: Library of Congress, 1972.

- Johnsen, Julia E., comp. Limitation of Power of Supreme Court to Declare Acts of Congress Unconstitutional. New York: H. W. Wilson, 1935.
- Klein, Fannie J. The Administration of Justice in the Courts: A Selected Annotated Bibliography. Dobbs Ferry, NY: Oceana Publications, 1976.
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- McCarrick, Earlean M. The U.S. Constitution: A Guide to Information Sources. Detroit: Gale Research, 1978.
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- Mauer, David J. United States Politics and Elections: Guide to Information Sources. Detroit: Gale Research, 1978.
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- Senior, Mildred R. The Supreme Court: Its Power and Judicial Review. Washington, DC: Division of Library Science, George Washington University, 1937.
- Smith, Dwight L., and Lloyd W. Garrison, eds. The American Political Process: Selected Abstracts of Periodical Literature (1954-1971). Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-Clio, 1972.
- Stephenson, D. Grier, Jr. The Supreme Court and the American Republic: An Annotated Bibliography. New York: Garland, 1981.
- Tingley, Donald F. Social History of the United States: A Guide to Information Sources. Detroit: Gale Research, 1979.
- Tompkins, Dorothy. Court Organization and Administration: A Bibliography. Berkeley: Institute of Governmental Studies, University of California, 1973.
- Tompkins, Dorothy. *The Supreme Court of the United States: A Bibliography*. Berkeley: Bureau of Public Administration, University of California, 1959.
- U.S. Congress. List of References on the Supreme Court of the United States with Particular Reference to the Doctrine of Judicial Review. Washington, DC: U.S. Government Printing Office, 1935.

We hope that this bibliography will prove beneficial to researchers and students in the field of American politics and history. The book also is intended to generate more interest in research on the Supreme Court by surveying what has been done and pointing out areas that have been neglected.

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# Introduction

This introduction identifies a selected list of books, periodicals, indexes, on-line databases, and other publications and services that are useful in conducting research on the Supreme Court. The research resources are grouped by category, and short descriptions are provided for many of the resources.

General government research guides are described in the first part of this section. These guides present an overview of the type and variety of government publications available to the legal researcher. This is followed by a discussion of specific legal resources that are useful in finding and interpreting statutes, as well as resources that provide information on topics related to the Supreme Court, such as the Constitution, the role of the Supreme Court, and biographical data on the justices.

The second part of this introduction covers research resources not directly related to the Supreme Court, but still useful to the legal researcher. These resources—including almanacs, dictionaries, encyclopedias, general news publications, and general biographical sources—are important in that they provide background or historical information, which helps put the Supreme Court's actions in perspective. In addition, the news publications—including newspapers, newsmagazines, news services, and journals—provide current information on the Supreme Court.

Pertinent indexes, abstracting services, on-line databases, and CD-ROM services also are described in each section. These publications and services are key not only in pinpointing specific information, but in simplifying the research process.

# Research Guides on Government Publications

The five annotated entries listed below are the best guides to government and legal resources, both for current and historical materials. These guides describe how to find and use government and legal research resources.

Sears, Jean L., and Marilyn K. Moody. *Using Government Publications*. 2 vols. Phoenix: Oryx Press, 1986.

The first volume of this set discusses searching publications by subjects and government agencies. Each of twenty-seven chapters covers a single subject or agency, such as foreign policy, occupations, elections, or the president. Each chapter includes a search strategy and describes indexes, on-line databases, and general sources. The second volume covers finding statistics and using special techniques, including historical searches, legislative

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histories, budget analyses, and treaties. This set is an excellent tool for the first-time use of government documents.

Bitner, Harry, Miles O. Price, and Shirley R. Bysiewicz. Effective Legal Research. 4th ed. Boston: Little, Brown, 1979.

This work provides descriptions of all resources related to legal research. It contains an in-depth examination and explanation of the reference works used in legal research. There also are chapters on finding federal statutes, treaties, and other international acts; federal administrative law; and the rules and decisions of federal courts and administrative and regulatory agencies. This volume is an excellent guide to government documents.

Morehead, Joe. Introduction to United States Public Documents. 3d ed. Littleton, CO: Libraries Unlimited, 1983.

Although this work is a textbook for library school students and professional librarians, it is a valuable guide for anyone interested in researching federal documents. The chapter on sources of legal information contains a wealth of information. There also are separate chapters on the executive branch, regulatory agencies, and advisory commissions. The book has especially useful information on how the depository library system works and on the work of the Government Printing Office (GPO) and GPO's superintendent of documents (SuDocs). This volume is especially useful for learning the technical aspects of documents, such as the SuDocs classification system.

Boyd, Anne Morris. *United States Government Publications*. 3d ed. Revised by Rae Elizabeth Rips. New York: H. W. Wilson, 1949.

Even though this work is somewhat outdated, its discussion of government publications is still useful for understanding the nature, types, and value of government publications. The work also is important when researching legal publications in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries.

Schmeckebier, Laurence F., and Roy B. Eastin. Government Publications and Their Use. 2d rev. ed. Washington, DC: Brookings Institution, 1969.

This well-known and respected reference work contains extensive information on all forms of publications published by the government and, like the Boyd volume, has much information not found elsewhere. Although the volume does not include information about the numerous reference tools published in the last two decades, Schmeckebier does provide an excellent description and analysis of documents published prior to 1900.

There are many other research guides to political science and government publications that also contain sections or chapters on judicial research. Most of these guides are available in any college or university library. Several of them are listed below.

Andriot, John L. Guide to U.S. Government Publications. Rev. ed. McLean, VA: Documents Index, 1988.

Bailey, William G. Guide to Popular U.S. Government Publications. 2d ed. Englewood, CO: Libraries Unlimited, 1990.

Brock, Clifton. The Literature of Political Science: A Guide for Students, Librarians, and Teachers. New York: R. R. Bowker, 1969.

Freides, Thelma. "A Guide to Information Sources on Federal Government Agencies." News for Teachers of Political Science 18 (Summer 1978): 6-13.

- Government Reference Books: A Biennial Guide to U.S. Government Publications. Littleton, CO: Libraries Unlimited, 1968/1969—.
- Holler, Frederick L. Information Sources of Political Science. 4th ed. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-Clio, 1986.
- Jacobstein, J. Myron, and Roy M. Mersky. Fundamentals of Legal Research. Rev. ed. Mineola, NY: Foundation Press, 1990.
- Lu, Joseph K. U.S. Government Publications Relating to the Social Sciences: A Selected Annotated Guide. Beverly Hills, CA: Sage Publications, 1975.
- Mason, John B. Research Resources: Annotated Guide to the Social Sciences. 2 vols. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-Clio, 1968-1971.
- Palic, Vladimir M. Government Publications: A Guide to Bibliographic Tools . . . , Incorporating Government Organization Manuals: A Bibliography. New York: Pergamon Press, 1977.
- Robinson, Judith S. Subject Guide to Government Reference Books. Littleton, CO: Libraries Unlimited, 1985.
- Robinson, Judith S. Tapping the Government Grapevine: The User-Friendly Guide to U.S. Government Information Sources. Phoenix: Oryx Press, 1988.
- Van Zant, Nancy P. Selected U.S. Government Series: A Guide for Public and Academic Libraries. Chicago: American Library Association, 1978.
- Vose, Clement E. A Guide to Library Resources in Political Science: American Government. Washington, DC: American Political Science Association, 1975.
- Williams, Wiley J. Subject Guide to Major United States Government Publications. 2d ed. Chicago: American Library Association, 1987.
- Wynar, Lubomyr R. Guide to Reference Materials in Political Science. Littleton, CO: Libraries Unlimited, 1967.

The following publications are indexes or catalogs of general government publications. The first five guides are especially useful for identifying documents of the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. For more information regarding the use of these resources, consult the guides in the previous section, especially the works by Morehead, Boyd, and Schmeckebier.

- Poore, Ben P. Descriptive Catalog of the Government Publications of the United States, September 5, 1774-March 4, 1881. Washington, DC: U.S. Government Printing Office, 1885.
- This publication attempted to list all governmental publications, but many department publications were omitted. It is a chronological, annotated list of government publications dated from September 1774 to March 1881. This work is known as Poore's Descriptive Catalog.
- Ames, John G. Comprehensive Index to the Publications of the United States Government, 1881-1893. 2 vols. Washington, DC: U.S. Government Printing Office, 1905.
- This is known as Ames' Comprehensive Index. Entries are arranged alphabetically by subject. There is an index of personal names. Some departmental publications were omitted.
- Checklist of United States Public Documents, 1789-1976. Arlington, VA: U.S. Historical Documents Institute, 1976.