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COST EFFECTIVE LEGAL RESEARCH

FEDERAL

Legislative

US Constitution @ **FDsys** or **Legal Information Institute**

<http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/browse/>

<http://topics.law.cornell.edu/constitution>

Pending Federal Bills @ **Thomas**

<http://thomas.loc.gov/>

Federal Laws Enacted During a Legislative Session (Statutes at Large) @ **FDsys**

<http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/browse/collection.action?collectionCode=STATUTE>

Federal Laws Currently in Force (United States Code/USC) @ **FDsys**, **House of Representatives Office of Law Revision Counsel**, or **LII**

<http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/browse/>

<http://uscode.house.gov/search/criteria.shtml>

<http://www.law.cornell.edu/uscode/>

Executive

Presidential Actions

Executive Orders & Proclamations @ **Whitehouse.gov**

<http://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/presidential-actions/executive-orders>

Federal Agencies

Acting like a Legislature when promulgating agency rules

*Proposed Rules, Final Rules, Meeting Notices & Executive Orders @ **Federal Register***
<http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/browse/collection.action?collectionCode=FR>

Subject Arrangement of Final Agency Rules Currently in Force @ **Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.)**

<http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/browse/collectionCfr.action?collectionCode=CFR>

Acting like a Court when issuing agency decisions

Administrative Decisions by Subject @ **University of Virginia Government Information Resource**

http://www2.lib.virginia.edu/govtinfo/fed_decisions_subject.html

Judicial

Decisions of the United States Supreme Court

Supreme Court's Official Site

<http://www.supremecourtus.gov/>

Findlaw's Supreme Court Center (Links to Docket Sheets, Briefs & Opinions)

http://supreme.lp.findlaw.com/supreme_court/resources.html

Oyez (Listen to oral arguments of the U.S. Supreme Court)

<http://www.oyez.org/>

Decisions of the U.S. Circuit Courts of Appeal & Map

U.S. Courts

<http://www.uscourts.gov/courtlinks/>

<http://www.pacer.gov/findcase.html>

Fourth Circuit Court of Appeal

<http://www.ca4.uscourts.gov/>

<http://www.pacer.gov/findcase.html>

Decisions of U.S. District Courts

<http://www.uscourts.gov/>

<http://www.pacer.gov/findcase.html>

Decisions of the U.S. District Court, Charleston, S.C.

<http://www.scd.uscourts.gov/>

<http://www.pacer.gov/findcase.html>

Other Sites with Federal Statutory, Judicial or Regulatory Information

Google Scholar @ <http://scholar.google.com/>

Open Jurist @ <http://openjurist.org/browse-open-jurist>

Public Library of Law @ <http://www.plol.org/Pages/Search.aspx>

Portal to US Government (USA Gov) @ <http://www.usa.gov/>

State Information

Access to official links for cases, statutes, and regulations of all 50 states

Findlaw State Resources @ <http://www.findlaw.com/11stategov/index.html>

Municode @ <http://www.municode.com/>

National Center for State Courts @ <http://www.ncsc.org/>

National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws @ <http://www.nccusl.org/Update/>

National Conference of State Legislatures @ <http://www.ncsl.org/>

State & Local Government on the Web @ <http://www.statelocalgov.net/>

Washlaw State Resources @ <http://www.washlaw.edu/>

South Carolina State Government

Portal to South Carolina Government @ <http://www.sc.gov/>

South Carolina Governor's Office @ <http://governor.sc.gov/executive/>

South Carolina Judicial Department @ <http://www.judicial.state.sc.us/>

(Includes access to South Carolina Supreme Court, Court of Appeals & trial courts)

South Carolina Legislature Online @ <http://www.scstatehouse.gov/>

(Includes access to Code, Constitution, Session Laws, Pending Bills & Regulations)

Specialized Legal Research Sites

Blawg Directory @ <http://www.abajournal.com/blawgs/>

(Subject arrangement of available law web logs)

Casemaker @ <http://www.casemakerx.com/home.php>

European Union @ http://europa.eu/index_en.htm

Federal Reserve Board @ <http://www.federalreserve.gov/>

Global Law at Legal Information Institute @ <http://www.law.cornell.edu/world/>

GlobalLex @ http://www.nyulawglobal.org/globalex/Foreign_Law_Research.htm

(How to research International Law)

Hieros Gamos @ <http://www.hg.org/>

Hoovers @ <http://www.hoovers.com/>

Internal Revenue Service @ <http://www.irs.gov/>

Introduction to Basic Legal Citation (Cornell/Peter Martin) @
<http://www.law.cornell.edu/citation/>

Law Librarians Resource Exchange @ <http://www.llrx.com/>

LexisOne @ <http://www.lexisone.com/>

Martindale Hubbell @ <http://www.martindale.com/>

Office of the Comptroller of the Currency @ <http://www.occ.treas.gov/>

SEC Filings @ <http://www.sec.gov/>

Social Science Research Network @ <http://www.ssrn.com/>

South Carolina Secretary of State @ <http://www.scsos.com/>

United Nations @ <http://www.un.org/>

For further discussion on the topic, see Smith-Butler, Lisa, *Cost Effective Legal Research Redux: How to Avoid Becoming the Accidental Tourist, Lost in Cyberspace*, 9 FL. COASTAL L.REV. 294 (2008.)