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## FROM THE STATE LAW LIBRARIAN

The staff at the Wisconsin State Law Library (WSLL) is happy to launch the premier issue of our bi-monthly newsletter. The **WSLL Newsletter** will provide current information about the State Law Library, its collection and legal research in general.

Upcoming issues of the newsletter will profile unique aspects of the State Law Library as well as the growing list of services offered to its users. Regular features include the WSLL Resource Guide, a subject bibliography to major resources available in the State Law Library, and On The Shelf, a list of recent WSLL acquisitions.

Also included in each issue will be Library Occurrences, announcing library changes and library staff events, and a column entitled FYI, covering little known information helpful in performing every day research.

To begin, let me take this opportunity to introduce you to the State Law Library. Located on the third and fourth floors of the east wing of the Capitol, the State Law Library serves as a legal resource center for all of Wisconsin. To improve accessibility to users throughout the state, in 1988 the library added an 800 telephone number, (800) 322-9755. Outlined below are some of the other WSLL services established to provide more access to the collection regardless of your location.

### Reference

Professional law librarians are available to assist users in general legal reference, whether in person or through phone or written inquiries.

### Database Searching

The State Law Library subscribes to many database services, both legal and non-legal. In conjunction with the State Bar of Wisconsin, the library conducts searches for attorneys on a cost recovery basis. This search service is also available to the judiciary and state agency personnel.

### Interlibrary Loans

The library staff will make every effort to locate information which is not found in our collection. Interlibrary loan requests for State Law Library material are also accepted.

### Circulation

Anyone may use the collection on site. Circulation is limited to registered and authorized borrowers in the local Madison area.

### Photocopy / Auditron Service

Photocopy machines are located on both floors of the library. To assist users throughout the state, the staff accepts requests for photocopies of materials. The requested materials are copied and mailed within twenty-four hours. An auditron service offers regular photocopy users the option of receiving monthly statements detailing their copy charges.

### Facsimile Service

Copies of library material can be faxed directly to your office. This service provides immediate access to any of the resources offered in the collection.

All of us at the State Law Library hope that the **WSLL Newsletter** will provide a forum for the dissemination of information which will be useful and supportive of your legal research needs. Please route the Newsletter among your colleagues and feel free to share your comments and suggestions with us.

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8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

## WSLL RESOURCE GUIDE TO: FAMILY LAW

This column will highlight titles in the WSLL collection pertaining to current legal issues. The first resource guide focuses on family law. Public policy and societal changes are shaking the traditional notions of family law, making it a dynamic and challenging field for practitioners these days.

Family law encompasses many topics, including:

- cohabitation
- marriage and marriage contracts
- parent-child relationships (contraception, abortion, adoption, etc.)
- divorce, separation and annulments
- child custody and
- property division.

In addition to the state and federal statutes regulating relationships, there are recent treatises and journals which cover the historical background of family law, as well as its emerging trends. Listed below are titles relevant to family law research which are available at the Wisconsin State Law Library.

### Treatises

Clark, Homer Harrison. The Law of Domestic Relations in the United States. West Publishing Co., 1987.  
Reserve KF 504 .C55 1987

Family Law Reporter. BNA, V.1, 1974 - .  
Lseleaf KF 501 .A3 F3

Green, Samuel and Long, John, V. Marriage and Family Law Agreements. Shepard's / McGraw Hill, 1984.  
KF 505 .G73 1984

Krause, Harry D. Family Law in a Nutshell. West Publishing Co., 1986.  
KF 505 .Z9 K7 1986

Rutkin, Arnold, ed. Family Law and Practice. Matthew Bender, 1985 - .  
KF 503.4 .F35

Wardle, Lynn D. Contemporary Family Law: Principles, Policy and Practice. Callaghan, 1988.  
KF 505 .W37

Weyrauch, Walter O. American Family Law in Transition. BNA, 1983.  
KF 509 W49 1983

### Wisconsin

Family Law and the Marital Property Act. State Bar, 1986.

Reserve KFW 2497 .A75 F2 1986

Foley, Leander. Family Law. Domestic Relations. ATC CLE, 1985.

Reserve KFW 2494 .F64 1985

Loeb, Leonard L. System Book for Family Law: A Forms and Procedures Handbook for Divorce. State Bar, 1988.

Reserve KFW 2500 .L6 S9 1988

Wisconsin Family Code: and Related Statutes. 1988-1989 edition. State Bar, 1988.

Reserve KFW 2494 .A3 1988

### Periodicals

American Journal of Family Law, V.1, 1978 - .

Family Advocate, V.1, 1981 - .

Family Law Quarterly, V.1, 1967 - .

Journal of Family Law, V.1, 1961 - .

Wisconsin Journal of Family Law, V.1, 1981 - .

### Please note:

For additional references on the topic of family law, in the WSLL card catalog and the Legal Resource Index see the following headings: Children, Domestic Relations, Marriage, Parent and Child, and Divorce.

Many of the resource guide citations include a Library Congress ("KF") classification number. This number indicates subject area and facilitates the retrieval of specific titles. The resource guide citations also show the date of the publication. Dates followed by a dash indicate the title is a serial publication, with current, regularly received continuations.

## LIBRARY OCCURENCES

In September, a new circulation system was installed at WSL. "Circulation Manager" replaces our Burroughs system and promises to streamline circulation operations. Many of our local users will find themselves "reminded" about their overdue books much sooner!

Road shows...on Wednesday, October 25 at the Wisconsin Library Association meeting in Oshkosh, two members of the WSL staff participated in a presentation which highlighted special libraries. Marcia Koslov and Jane Colwin discussed the State Law Library's services and resources.

WSL staff members also traveled to Chicago in late October for the Midwest Regional Conference of Law Librarians' meeting entitled "Navigating the 90's: Resource Strategies." On Friday, October 27, Marcia Koslov and Dennis Austin shared their insights on a popular library topic, "networking".

## ON THE SHELF... RECENT WSL ACQUISITIONS

The titles included on this acquisition list are available for general circulation. If you are interested in reviewing any of these entries, please call the reference staff for assistance.

### Treatises

ABA Criminal Justice Mental Health Standards. American Bar Association, 1989.  
KF 9219 .A94 1989

Aldisert, Ruggero J. Logic for Lawyers: A Guide to Clear Legal Thinking. Clark Boardman Co., 1989.  
K 213 .A42 1989

Conference on Tax Planning for 501(c)(3) Organizations. Matthew Bender, 1989 - .  
KF 740 .A5 C6

Drafting the Durable Power of Attorney: A Systems Approach. Shepard's /McGraw-Hill, 1987 .  
KF 1347 .D7

Felhaus, Alan R. The Psychotherapist's Duty to Warn or Protect. Thomas, 1989.  
KF 1347 .D7

Jacobs, Arnold S. Section 15 of the Securities Exchange Act. Clark Boardman Co., 1989 - .  
KF 1073 .I5 J3

Karp, Leonard I. Domestic Torts: Family Violence, Conflict, and Sexual Abuse. Shepard's / McGraw-Hill, 1989.  
KF 505 .K43 1989

Lazar, Richard A. EMS Law: A Guide for Emergency Medical Service Professionals. Aspen Publishers, 1989.  
KF 3826 .E5 L39 1989

Miller, Marjorie A. Designing Your Law Office: A Guide to Space Planning, Renovation and Relocation. ABA, 1988.  
KF 320 .O33 M55 1988

Minnesota Rules, 1989: Including Administrative Rules of State Agencies Adopted as of April 3, 1989. State of Minnesota, 1989.  
State KFM 5435 .A23 1989

Nachmias, Carolyn S. Joint Ventures: Structuring Alternatives. Shepard's / McGraw-Hill, 1988.  
KF 6452 .N33

Nogay, Elizabeth. The New Drug-Free Workplace Act: the Complete Guide for Federal Contractors and Grantees. BNA, 1989.  
KF 3457.3 .N63 1989

Rule 11 in Transition: the Report of the Third Circuit Task Force on Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 11. American Judicature Society, 1989.  
KF 8887 .R87 1989

Schoenfield, Mark K. Legal Negotiations: Getting Maximum Results. Shepard's McGraw-Hill, 1988.  
KF 300 .S38 1988

Sedler, Robert Allen. Across State Lines: Applying the Conflict of Laws to your Practice. ABA, 1989.  
KF 417 .S42 1989

## F Y I ...

Volume 19 of the **Wisconsin Administrative Code** has an overlooked tab with information that may be useful to many legal researchers. The last section of this volume contains **Wisconsin Administrative Code** citations appearing in Wisconsin Supreme Court and Court of Appeals cases. Periodic updating of the citations is done by the Revisor of Statutes.

The **Wisconsin Administrative Code** citations are arranged in alphabetical order by agency, then by section number. Keep this citing service in mind when trying to interpret the intent behind state regulations.

Another important resource exists in the last volume of the **Wisconsin Statutes**. The Appendix contains many useful tables, basically updating the **1970 Wisconsin Annotations** volume.

Special reference tables in the **Wisconsin Statutes Appendix** include the following:

- special, private or local laws in force
- legislative acts repealed or renumbered
- cross-references identifying additional statutory provisions to current law
- list of Wisconsin Interstate Compacts and
- list of Constitutional Joint Resolutions.

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