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The Wisconsin State Law Library exists to serve the legal information needs of the officers and employees of this state, attorneys and the public by providing the highest quality of professional expertise in the selection, maintenance and use of materials, information and technology in order to facilitate equal access to the law.

Welcome to the Library!



Connecting people with the legal information and resources they need – that is our priority.

Our library staff helps people from all across the state and beyond, providing personalized support for their legal information needs. Whether you visit one of our three locations, in Madison and Milwaukee, give us a call, or send an email, we are here to help. We'll search for answers to your questions and tailor our response to your individual needs.

The library's collection of materials keeps pace with changes in the law. It extends well beyond the print titles on our shelves and legal research databases available in the library. With a library card, you can use eBooks and databases remotely. Our website, wilawlibrary.gov, provides quick access to procedural guides, statutes, administrative code regulations, and court forms. Together with our archive of Wisconsin appellate briefs, jury instructions, and sources of court and legislative histories, the State Law Library provides access to materials that benefit the legal researcher and the self-represented litigant.

We take great pride in sharing knowledge – whether through continuing legal education webinars, presentations at professional conferences, our monthly newsletter, or collaborations with our partners in the legal community. Our library staff at the Lavinia Goodell State Law Library, Dane County Law Library, and Milwaukee County Law Library is eager to connect and provide the resources you need.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Amy".

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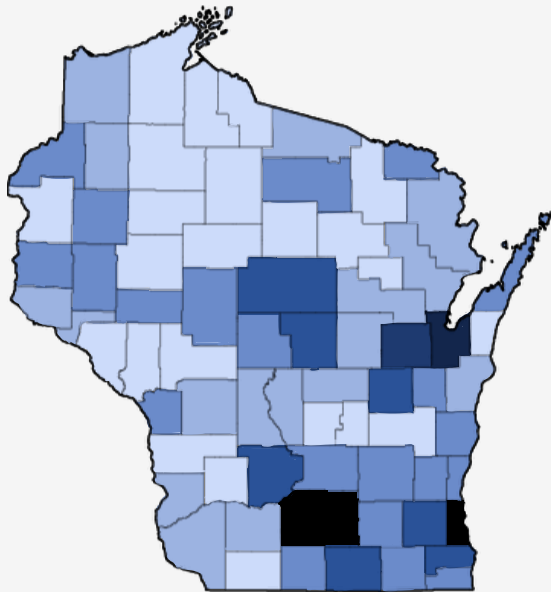
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A Year in Review

Library staff and patrons have been busy this year - from physically visiting a library location to accessing materials remotely, take a look at some numbers representing 2025.



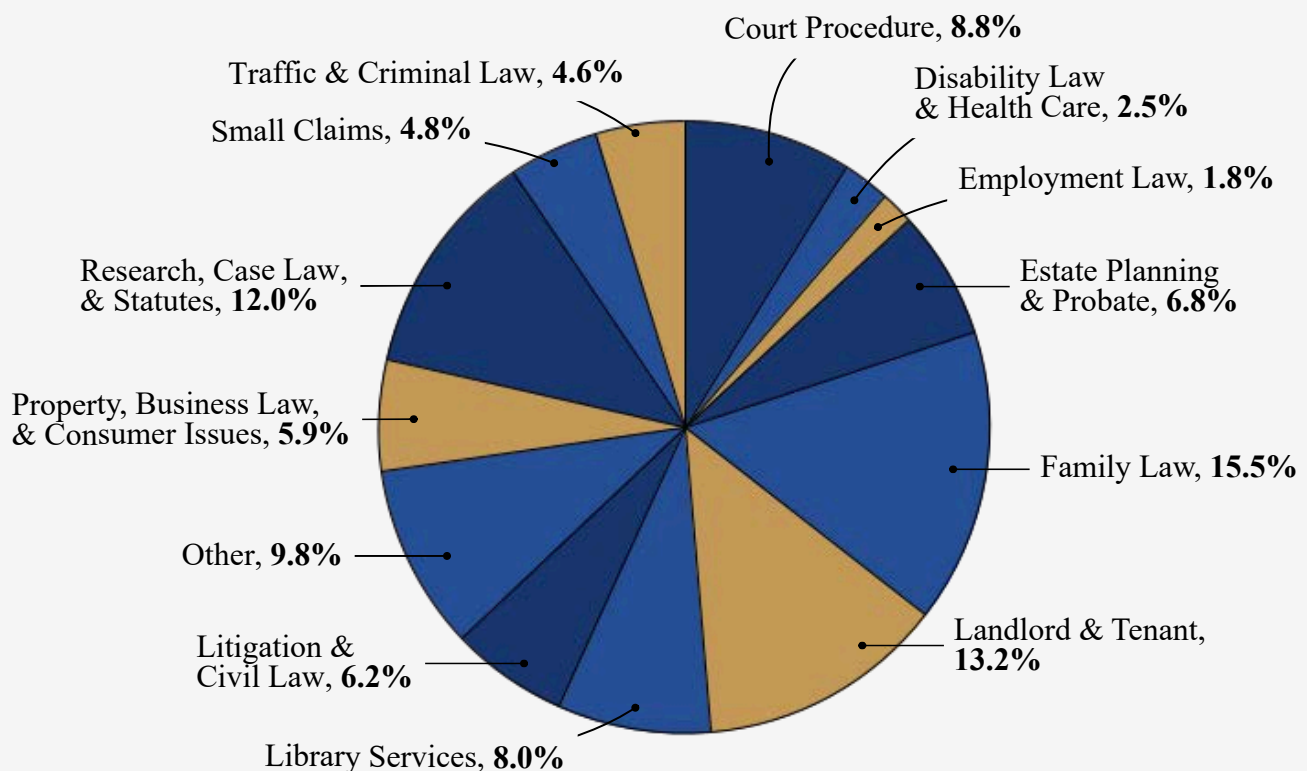
13,350 Reference Questions

We serve court judges and staff, attorneys, and pro se court users across Wisconsin.

92.6% of questions asked at the Dane County Law Library were asked in-person.

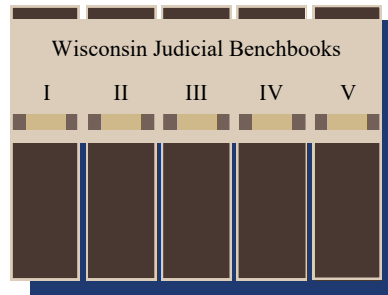
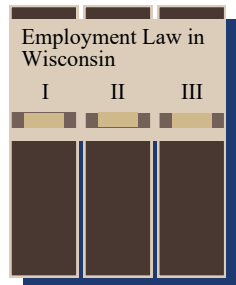
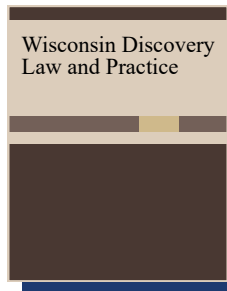
51.2% of questions asked at the Milwaukee County Law Library were asked in-person.

88.9% of questions asked at the Lavinia Goodell State Law Library were asked remotely, either by phone or email.

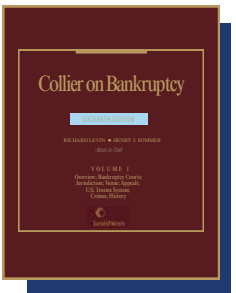
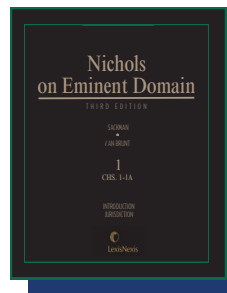


Popular Checkouts

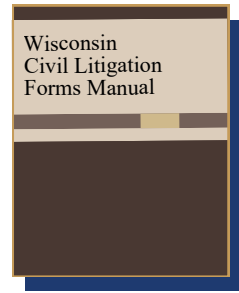
Print Books



E-Books



In-Library Use



Outreach and Continuing Education

20
room
reservations

10 webinars
260 attendees

2,653
monthly
newsletter
subscribers

8
community
partnerships

Highest attended webinar:

- *Researching the Wisconsin Administrative Code*, 54 attendees

Library staff attended and presented at events and conferences in 2025, including:

- *Legal Reference: Sources and Strategies* at Wild Wisconsin Winter Web Conference
- National Library Week - open house at Lavinia Goodell State Law Library
 - Presentation and scavenger hunt for the Advanced Legal Research class at UW-Madison Law School
- New Attorney Roll Signings - UW-Madison and Marquette University Law Schools
- 2025 Judicial Conference
- *Government Information in 2025*, Wisconsin Library Association Annual Conference

Circulation

2,404

new and updated
print titles and
book sets

1,829

print books
checked out in
2025

5,612

total library
cardholders

In 2025, the Lavinia Goodell State Law Library purchased a new microfiche scanner.

