

U.S. Bill of Rights Research Guide

Overview

This research guide includes information and resources on the U.S. Bill of Rights. The U.S. Bill of Rights is a section or addendum defining the situations in which a politically organized society will permit free, spontaneous, and individual activity, and guaranteeing that governmental powers will not be used in certain ways; especially the first ten amendments to the U.S. Constitution. (*Black's Law Dictionary, 11th edition*) The resources listed below are not exhaustive and may not include the most up-to-date information. It is for information purposes only and should not be construed as legal advice or act as the substitute for legal counsel.

Secondary Resources in Print

The Bill of Rights: Its Impact on the American People KF 4749.F7

The Bill of Rights: A Documentary History KF 4744 S3

CLE Materials

Advanced Bill of Rights Course

- Years 2007-2015 on shelf

Online Resources

The Bill of Rights: A Transcription (National Archives)
<https://www.archives.gov/founding-docs/bill-of-rights-transcript>

U.S. Bill of Rights (Cornell Law School)
<https://www.law.cornell.edu/constitution/billofrights>

Bill of Rights Institute
<https://billofrightsinstitute.org/primary-sources/bill-of-rights>

U.S. Bill of Rights (U.S. History.org, owned by the Independence Hall Association in Philadelphia)
<https://www.ushistory.org/us/18a.asp>

Bill of Rights Overview (National Constitution Center)
<https://constitutioncenter.org/education/classroom-resources-by-topic/bill-of-rights-overview>

U.S. Bill of Rights (Library of Congress)
<https://www.loc.gov/resource/rbpe.24404400/?st=ext>

U.S. Bill of Rights (United States Courts)
<https://www.uscourts.gov/news/2019/12/12/nov-cherished-bill-rights-spent-century-obscurity>

Legal Assistance

Legal Lines – Ask Attorneys simple legal questions (free service)

- Tarrant County LegalLine Sign-up
<https://www.tarrantbar.org/>
- Dallas County LegalLine Sign-up
<https://www.dallasbar.org/index.cfm?pg=legalline>

Tarrant County Bar Association Lawyer Referral Service: 817-336-4101 (\$20 for the first 30 minutes)