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Library News

Westlaw Selected as DOT-wide Online Research Provider

The new online research provider procurement process has been completed. The award was based on the reports from the Technical Evaluation and the Price Evaluation Committees. They were both in agreement, and the Procurement Office awarded the contract to Westlaw.

The DOT Library will host monthly Westlaw training sessions for DOT employees. See page 3 of this newsletter for the training schedule.

Coast Guard Law Library Escapes Damage from Isabel

Despite extensive flooding in the Coast Guard

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Selected Law Library Acquisitions

Headquarters:

Advanced MSPB Practitioner's Handbook (2003). W.B. Wiley (Ed.). Huntsville, AL: FPMI Communications. [LAW KF 5338.A33]

Defense of Equal Employment Claims (2nd Ed.) J.F. Buckley and M.R. Lindsay. St. Paul, MN: West Group. [LAW KF 8925.D5 D532]

Drafting License Agreements (2003). M.A. Epstein and F.L. Politano, (Eds.) [LAW KF 2979.D692]

Federal Employment Law Practitioner's Handbook : 2002-2003. Huntsville, AL: FPMI Communications. [LAW KF 5337.F43]

Guide to International Legal Research (2002) George Washington Journal of International Law and Economics staff (Eds.). Newark, NJ: LexisNexis. [LAW KZ 1234.G85]

International Code of Safety for High-Speed Craft, (2000 HSC Code) Resolution MSC. 97(73) adopted on 5 December 2000. [LAW K 4176.H53 A5 2001]

Litigation Under the Federal Open Government Laws (2002). H.A. Hammitt, D.L. Sobel and M.S. Zaid (Eds.) Washington, DC: EPIC Publications. [LAW KF 5753.L58]

Low Speed Automobile Accidents [videorecording]. (2002). A.J. Watts and S.N. Lapin. Tucson, AZ: Lawyers and Judges Pub. Co. [LAW HV 8079.55 .W37]

Treatise on Constitutional Law: Substance and Procedure (1999). R.D. Rotunda and J.E. Nowak. St. Paul, MN: West Group. [LAW KF 4550.R63]

White Collar Crime (2003). J.M. Androphy. St. Paul, MN: West Group. [LAW KF 9350 .A932]

Coast Guard:

Index and Legislative History, Uniform Code of Military Justice. (2000). Buffalo, NY: W.S. Hein. [LAW KF 7604.553 A15]

Research and Reference Corner



Online Digital Special Collections

Did you know that you can access I.C.C. railroad accident reports from as early as 1911 from your desktop? The DOT Library makes it possible! In an effort to preserve its materials and to provide easy access for DOT Library customers, the library digitized numerous collections of interest to the transportation community at large. This collection is not new to the Library's website. In fact, it made its debut in 1998, but it is so valuable that it's worth revisiting. The following documents are available from this unique resource:

Civil Aeronautic Manuals

Civil Air Regulations

Superseded Advisory Circulars

I.C.C. Historical Railroad Investigation Reports (1911-1966)

National Conference on Street and Highway Safety

Historical Aircraft Accident Reports (1934 - 1965)

FAA and CAA Research Reports

US Coast Guard Navigation and Inspection Circulars

Historic CAB and DOT Orders (1988 – 1995)

Historical FARS

These databases are available on the DOT Library website <http://dotlibrary.dot.gov> (Click on "Online Digital Special Collections") or go directly to <http://dotlibrary.specialcollection.net/>

CD ROM Corner



Advanced MSPB Practitioner's Handbook

Edited by William B. Wiley. 2003. FPMI Communications.

The Merit System Protection Board (MSPB) serves as the guardian of the Federal Government's merit-based system of employment. MSPB administrative judges adjudicate federal employee complaints, appeals, and requests to review regulations. The MSPB provides guidance to its judges by issuing a guide called the Judge's Handbook.

Both the CD ROM and the print version of the **Advanced MSPB Practitioner's Handbook** combine the MSPB Judge's Handbook with relevant Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. Further adding value, this publication provides an index and a MSPB citation glossary (listing of lead cases frequently cited by the MSPB with summaries of the holdings).

Despite its advantages, the CD ROM does have some flaws. The text of the book is contained in a single Microsoft Word file with no sophisticated search or navigation capabilities. Searching must be performed by using the "Edit" "Find" functions of the Word software. However, users may find the format useful for printing out relevant sections or cutting and pasting into other documents.

The CD is available for use in the DOT Library, Headquarters branch only. It is available on the Library's standalone terminal.

-Click on "CD ROM Databases" folder.

-Click on "Advanced MSPB Practitioner's Handbook"

The book is also available in the DOT Library [LAW KF 5338.A33 2003].

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

WESTLAW TRAINING

DATE: OCTOBER 21, 2003

PLACE: ROOM 7238 NASSIF BUILDING

TIME: 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM AND 1:30 PM – 2:30 PM

WELCOME TO WESTLAW.COM **TWO SESSIONS!**

WESTLAW TRAINING

DATE: NOVEMBER 18, 2003

PLACE: ROOM 4236 NASSIF BUILDING

TIME: 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

BASIC SEARCHING ON WESTLAW.COM

WESTLAW TRAINING

DATE: DECEMBER 16, 2003

PLACE: ROOM 4236 NASSIF BUILDING

TIME: 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

BASIC SEARCHING ON WESTLAW.COM

WESTLAW TRAINING

DATE: JANUARY 20, 2004

PLACE: ROOM TBA NASSIF BUILDING

TIME: 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

WEST KEY SYSTEM ON WESTLAW.COM

WESTLAW TRAINING

DATE: FEBRUARY 17, 2004

PLACE: ROOM TBA NASSIF BUILDING

TIME: 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

NEWS SEARCHING ON WESTLAW.COM

WESTLAW TRAINING

DATE: MARCH 16, 2004

PLACE: ROOM TBA NASSIF BUILDING

TIME: 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

LEGISLATIVE SEARCHING ON WESTLAW.COM

WESTLAW TRAINING

DATE: APRIL 20, 2004

PLACE: ROOM TBA NASSIF BUILDING

TIME: 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

BASIC SEARCHING ON WESTLAW.COM

WESTLAW TRAINING

DATE: MAY 18, 2004

PLACE: ROOM TBA NASSIF BUILDING

TIME: 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

BASIC SEARCHING ON WESTLAW.COM

WESTLAW TRAINING

DATE: JUNE 15, 2004

PLACE: ROOM TBA NASSIF BUILDING

TIME: 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

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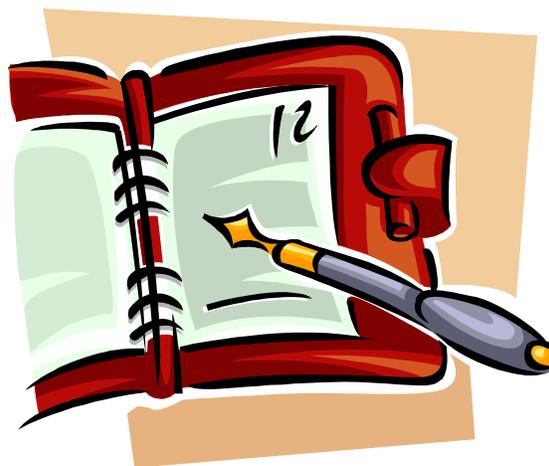
WESTLAW TRAINING

DATE: JULY 20, 2004

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SECONDARY LEGAL SOURCES ON WESTLAW.COM



Headquarters building, the law library was not damaged during Hurricane Isabel's September assault on the Washington, D.C. area. There was extensive water damage to the garage levels of the building, causing the Coast Guard to temporarily close the building to most employees. The law library reopened on September 29, 2003.

Locations, Hours and Contacts

DOT Law Libraries

Hours: 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM Monday – Friday

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Room 2200, Nassif Building

(202) 366-0749

Staff:

Linda Cullen

Rosalind Romain

U.S. Coast Guard Law Library

Room B726, U.S. Coast Guard

Headquarters (Transpoint) Building

(202) 267-2536

Staff:

Tom Haggerty