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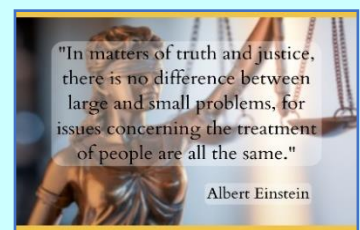
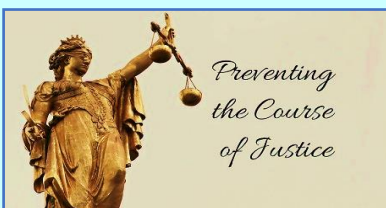
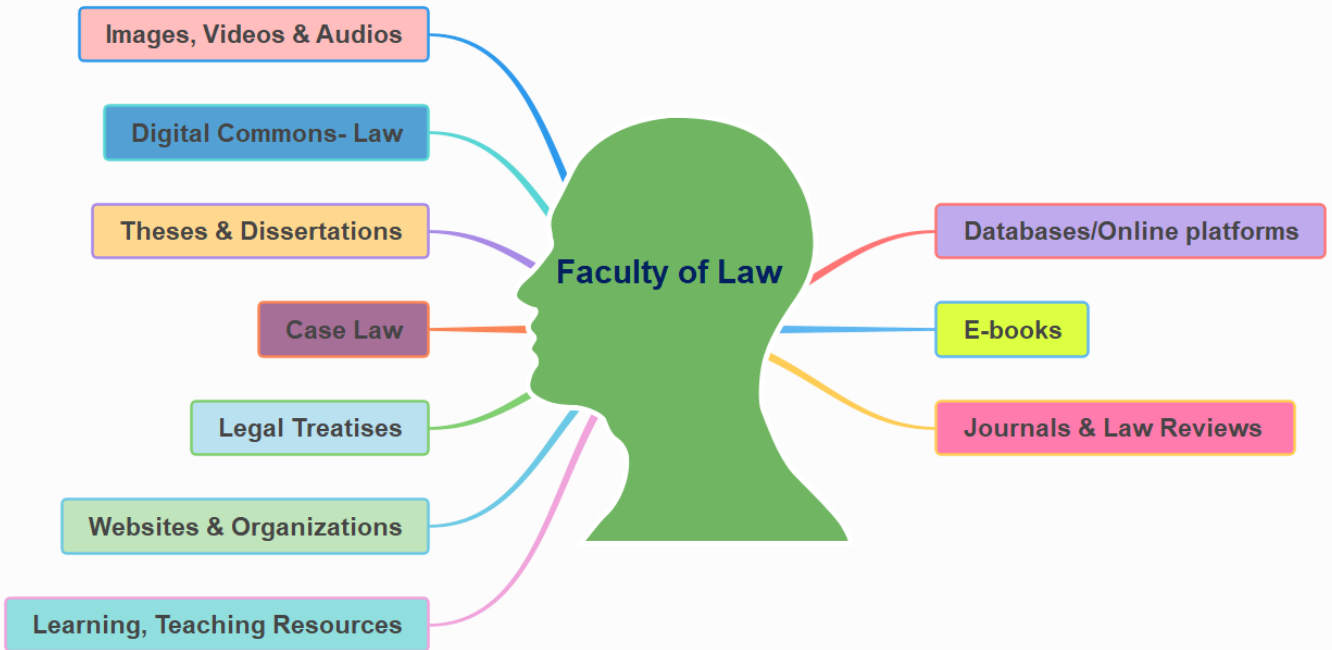
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- [Mason OER Metafinder](#)  
Searches across notable OER collections including MERLOT, OASIS, and OER Commons
- [MERLOT: Law](#)  
Searches 90,000+ records with the option to search other OER collections and the web
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- [Dataset Search](#)  
Search across thousands of data repositories across the Web
- [Guide to Law Online: States](#)  
Bibliography of links to state-related online resources; open the individual state to find links to state court websites and online repositories of decisions issued by the state's courts.
- [FindLaw for Legal Professionals](#) (Thomson Reuters)  
Includes case law, case summaries, statutes, legal search engine, legal news, RSS court updates, and practice information.
- [Justia](#): Includes case law, statutes, regulations, articles, opinion summaries (newsletter), and limited access to Federal District Court dockets.
- [Law Guru](#) : Free legal advice forum with a network of more than 8,000 specialized attorneys in all legal areas
- [Law Stack Exchange](#): Question-and-answer forum for legal professionals, students, and others with an interest in law
- [Legal Information Institute \(LII\)](#) (Cornell University Law School): Provides primary legal materials, legal encyclopedia, and the Supreme Court Bulletin.
- [Online Legal Information Resources](#): Locate free online primary legal materials for all U.S. states, the District of Columbia, U.S. territories, U.S. Federal Government, and Canada.
- [PublicLegal by Internet Legal Research Group](#): Categorized index of select legal websites, thousands of legal forms, and helpful legal resources and documents
- [Public Library of Law](#): (Fastcase) Includes case law, statutes, regulations, court rules, constitutions, and legal forms.

# E-BOOKS

- [E-Books Directory: Law](#)
- [Free book centre.net: Law](#)
- [Open Textbook Library: Law](#)
- [University of California Press E-Books Collection, 1982-2004: Law](#)
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- [Electronic Signatures in Law](#)
- [Domestic Courts and the Interpretation of International Law](#)
- [Introduction to Criminal Law](#)
- [Business Law I Essentials](#)
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- [Trademark Law: An Open-Source Casebook](#)

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## JOURNALS & LAW REVIEWS

- [Directory of Open Access Journals \(DOAJ\)](#)
- [Louisiana Bar Journal](#)
- [ABA's Free Full-Text Online Law Review/Law Journal Search Engine](#)
- [South Carolina Lawyer](#)  
Browse recent issues on the SC Bar's website. It includes an author and subject index. Full-text searchable articles are available through Fast case, Westlaw and LexisNexis.
- [Journals for Free](#)
- [Law Journals & Law-Related Journals \(HG.org\)](#)
- [FindLaw's Law Review Index](#)  
Browse a list of prominent law reviews to check for online access.
- [Law Library of Congress: Law Reviews Online](#)  
Directory of free full-text law reviews.
- [Law Review Commons](#)
- [Academic Law Journals and Law Reviews \(FindLaw\)](#)  
Browsable list of law journals organized by subject.
- [Barrister](#)
- [Competition Law Review](#)
- [European Journal of Current Legal Issues](#)
- [European Journal of Law and Technology](#)
- [In-House Lawyer](#)
- [Law Society Gazette](#)
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## LEARNING, TEACHING RESOURCES

- [MIT OpenCourseWare: Legal Studies](#)
- Course content from MIT
- [BNC OER+](#)
- Courseware focused on holistic courses with easy customization
- [The United States Government Manual](#)
- Information on the agencies of the legislative, judicial, and executive branches.
- [Civil Rights Law](#)  
This course focuses on the rights of all Americans under the federal and state Constitutions and laws. The course surveys the framework of these rights and goes into many specifics, including the rights to equal protection, due process and freedom of religion.
- [Legal Concepts 101 - Certified Free Courses](#)  
Learn About Basic Legal Concepts, Including Courts, Trials, Laws and Legal Terminology.

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## WEBSITES & ORGANIZATIONS



- [Legal Information Institute](#)  
The publication of various laws with explanations.
- [World Legal Information Institute](#)  
This website offers free, independent and non-profit access to worldwide law.
- [Human Rights World](#)
- [Amnesty international](#)
- [International Development Law Organization](#)
- [International Law Commission](#)
- [United Nations Office of Legal Affairs](#)



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# LEGAL TREATISES



- [GoogleLegal Treatises by Subject: Harvard Law School Library](#)
- [Guide to books and treatises by subject.](#)
- [Legal Treatises by Subject: Pace Law Library](#)
- [Guide to legal treatises by subject with a topical index.](#)
- [Treatise Finder: Georgetown Law Library](#)  
An extensive list of books by topic; from study aids to treatises.
- [Treatises by Topic: New York Law School](#)



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# CASE LAW



- [The Enbridge Northern Gateway Pipelines: Reconciling Interests](#)
- [Case Law Access Project](#) (Harvard Law) Provides access to all U.S. official published case law from 1658 to June 2018.
- [U.S. Supreme Court](#) (PDFs of U.S. Reports 1991)
- [U.S. Courts of Appeals](#) (links to court websites, coverage varies)
- [U.S. District Courts](#) (links to court websites, coverage varies)
- [Govinfo](#)



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## THESES & DISSERTATIONS

- [Open Access Theses and Dissertations: Crime; Criminal Law; Legal](#)
- Law thesis and dissertation collection - ERA
- [Law: Theses and Dissertations - UC Research Repository](#)
- [Stanford Law School's Theses and Dissertations Collection](#)

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