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Some legal topics are governed by Federal law, such as bankruptcy, copyright, immigration, and Social Security. Some legal topics may be governed by both Connecticut and Federal law, such as consumer protection, employment/labor, environmental protection, health, and welfare.

Cases

[US District – Connecticut](#) (2005 -)

Decisions of the Federal District Court of Connecticut. Archived from 2005. Searchable by keyword, case title, party name, or date.

[2nd Circuit](#) (4/1/2007 -)

Decisions of the Federal Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit (including Connecticut). Archived from 4/1/2007. Searchable by keyword, case title, party name, or date.

[US Supreme Court](#) (2011 -)

Decisions of the Supreme Court of the United States. Archived volumes from 1991. Searchable from 2011 to current term.

[US Bankruptcy Court – Connecticut](#) (2000 -)

Decisions of the United States Bankruptcy Court District of Connecticut.

[Google Scholar](#)- (U.S. Supreme Court 1791 - , other courts 1923 - ; see Google disclaimer.)

Web search engine that includes Federal district, appellate, tax, and bankruptcy cases.

Administrative Decisions (government agencies and regulatory bodies)

[Federal Administrative Decisions](#)

Comprehensive Federal administrative documents including decisions, manuals, summaries, directories, and reports. Includes select agencies' electronic Freedom of Information Act Reading Rooms, if available.

Other

[Common Legal Words](#)

A list of common legal words compiled by the Connecticut Judicial Branch solely as a public service. This information is by necessity general in nature and is not intended as a legal definition.

Statutes & Regulations

[United States Code](#)

Searchable and browseable formats of the current United States Code from the Office of the Law Revision Counsel of the U.S. House of Representatives.

[Public & Private Laws](#) (Archived from 1995-)

Browseable Federal public and private laws from the Office of the Federal Register.

[Code of Federal Regulations](#) (Archived from 1996-)

Browseable regulations of Federal departments and agencies from the Office of the Federal Register.

[Federal Register](#) (Archived from 1936-)

Browseable rules and notices of Federal agencies, executive orders, and other presidential documents.

Court Rules and Procedure

[Federal Rules of Civil Procedure](#)

The current rules of civil procedure for the Federal courts from the U.S. Government Printing Office. Includes forms.

[Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure](#)

The current rules of criminal procedure for the Federal courts from the U.S. Government Printing Office.

Web Sites and Search Engines for Legal Information

[Judicial Branch Law Libraries](#)

Exhaustive compilation of Internet resources for conducting Connecticut legal research on the Internet. Good resources for novice legal researchers and self-represented parties.

[American Law Sources Online](#)— Legal Research on the Web. Useful website for conducting legal research on the Internet. Includes state, federal and Canadian information.

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Danbury, CT 06810

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New London Law Library

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New London, CT 06320

860-442-7561

Putnam Law Library

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Putnam, CT 06260

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860-896-4955

Stamford Law Library

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Stamford, CT 06905

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Torrington, CT 06790

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Waterbury, CT 06702

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