

# QUICK REFERENCES FOR FEDERAL LEGAL QUESTIONS

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## 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.

### [2<sup>nd</sup> 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 by keyword and docket 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.

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## 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.

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## 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 1990- )

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

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## 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.

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## 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.

### [Washlaw](#) – Legal Research on the Web

Excellent website for conducting legal research on the Internet. Includes state, federal, and international information.

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New Haven, CT 06510  
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**New London Law Library**

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**Putnam Law Library**

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