

AALL LISP Public Libraries Toolkit
Suggested State Information for the District of Columbia
Susan Lewis-Somers
American University, Washington College of Law Library

1. **Constitution:** None.
2. **Code:** *District of Columbia Official Code* (West Group), online at <http://dcode.westgroup.com/home/dccodes/default.wl>; *District of Columbia Code Annotated* (Lexis Publishing, unofficial), online at <http://www.michie.com/dc/lpext.dll?f=templates&fn=fs-main.htm&2.0>.
3. **Bills and session laws:** Pending bills from the D.C. Council Legislative Information Management System at <http://www.dccouncil.washington.dc.us/lims/default.asp>. Session laws published in the *District of Columbia Register*, 1954- (D.C. Office of Documents), online at [http://www.amlegal.com/nxt/gateway.dll?f=templates\\$fn=default.htm\\$vid=dcr:free](http://www.amlegal.com/nxt/gateway.dll?f=templates$fn=default.htm$vid=dcr:free); *District of Columbia Code: Advance Legislative Service* (Lexis Publishing).
4. **Administrative code:** *Code of District of Columbia Municipal Regulations*, 1999- (Weil Publishing); *District of Columbia Municipal Regulations*, 1984- (D.C. Office of Documents), online (selective) at <http://os.dc.gov/os/cwp/view.asp?a=1206&q=522392>; recent regulations published in the *District of Columbia Register*, 1954- (D.C. Office of Documents), online at [http://www.amlegal.com/nxt/gateway.dll?f=templates\\$fn=default.htm\\$vid=dcr:free](http://www.amlegal.com/nxt/gateway.dll?f=templates$fn=default.htm$vid=dcr:free).
5. **County/municipal/city codes:** See nos. 2-4.
6. **Jury instructions:** Bergman, ed., *Criminal Jury Instructions for the District of Columbia*, 5th ed., 1999 (D.C. Bar); Stevens, ed., *Standardized Civil Jury Instructions for the District of Columbia*, 1998 rev. ed. (D.C. Bar).
7. **Form books:** Carter, *Appellate Practice Handbook for Maryland, Virginia and District of Columbia: Civil Cases*, 1996 (Harrison);); *District of Columbia Practice Manual*, 9th ed., 2000 (D.C. Bar); Mallon, *Civil Practice in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia: A Practitioner's Guide*, 1995 (D.C. Bar).
8. **Legal encyclopedias:** None.
9. **Court cases:** D.C Court of Appeals (previously Municipal Court of Appeals until 1963) cases reported in: *District of Columbia Appeals Reports*, 1941- (West Group), *Atlantic Reporter 2d*, 1943- (West Group), online at http://www.dcappeals.gov/dccourts/appeals/opinions_mojs.jsp, 1998-.
10. **Case digest:** *West's District of Columbia Digest*, 1936-; *West's Atlantic Digest*, 1968-.
11. **Local AALL chapter links:** Law Librarians' Society of Washington, D.C. (LLSDC) at <http://www.llsdc.org/>; LLSDC-L listserv at <http://www.llsdc.org/listserv>.

12. **Referral policies of local law libraries:** ?

13. **Federal depository libraries:** A list of federal depository libraries in D.C. is at <http://www.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/modalldep.cgi?cmd+DC>

14. **Bar associations:** District of Columbia Bar at <http://www.dcbbar.org/>.

15. **Research guides:** Chanin, Gregory and Wiant, *Legal Research in the District of Columbia, Maryland and Virginia*, 2d ed., 2000 (Hein); *District of Columbia Practice Manual*, 9th ed., 2000 (D.C. Bar); American University research guide at <http://library.wcl.american.edu/trg.dcmdvalaw.php>; George Washington University research guide at <http://www.law.gwu.edu/burns/local.htm>.