

## **Federal Regulation Research Chart Overview**

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I designed this chart specifically for a research training session I conduct for the administrative law class offered in the spring. Although I address *Westlaw*, *Lexis*, and *HeinOnline*, this chart focuses upon how to research this topic in the print materials. The professor who teaches this class wants to ensure that the students have this skill. The class itself is not only substantive but skill-based, in that the professor has the students research a topic of interest in the regulations, trace the regulation(s)' history, and use the research to draft a brief as if they were already in the practice of law. This chart is incorporated into my PowerPoint presentation and then handed out as a laminated two-sided three-hole punched chart. The front of the chart instructs on how to find a regulation and update any changes. The back of the chart shows the step-by-step process on how to find the history of it.