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EDUCATION LAW: A Selective Research Guide

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Overview:

This research guide is a selective guide to aid the legal researcher in the area of education law. The field of education law includes subjects such as special education law, tenure, religious education, student rights, equal access to education, and others. This guide is not comprehensive in scope or intended to include every educational law resource, but is a starting point for a researcher to find additional sources and relevant information. Researchers are encouraged to explore educational law subject headings further to locate additional materials in this topical area.

I. GENERAL RESOURCES

Deskbook Encyclopedia of American School Law

Location: [KF4114 .D46](#)

This resource contains a compilation of state and federal appellate court decisions affecting education law. It also includes an appendix of U.S. Supreme Court decisions, as well as portions of the *U.S. Constitution* that are frequently cited in education cases. Its purpose is to provide educators and lawyers with access to the most recent cases in education.

Education Law: First Amendment, Due Process and Discrimination by Ronna Greff Schneider

Location: [KF4119 .S358 2004](#)

With two volumes and six extensive chapters dedicated to the First Amendment, Ms. Greff Schneider takes an in-depth look at this amendment and its impact on education. The appendices contain selected federal and state law provisions on discrimination in education as well as additional websites, law review articles and West legal forms on the topic.

Higher Education Law: Policy and Perspectives by Klinton W. Alexander and Kern Alexander.

Location: [KF4225 .A95 2011](#)



Law in the Schools by William D. Valente and Christina M. Valente.

Location: [KF4119 .V28 2005](#)

This edition contains more than twenty U.S. Supreme Court decisions and more than fourteen federal courts of appeals decisions dealing with school law. The work also contains discussions of topics such as school district liability, zero tolerance policies, charter schools, religiously affiliated schools, home schooling, technology, and freedom of speech

Practical Education Law for the Twenty-First Century by Victoria J. Dodd

Location: [KF4119 .D63 2010](#)

As a current professor of law at Suffolk University Law School and former Chair of the Education Law Section of the Association of American Law Schools, Dodd is able to provide a thorough background on American education law and public education. Chapters include "School Finance," "Home Schooling, School of Choice Charter Schools, and other Alternative Schools," and "Search and Seizure and Crime on Campus."

A Teacher's Guide to Education Law by Michael Imber and Tyll van Geel

Location: [KF4119.8 .E3 I48 2010](#)

Written for classroom teachers, "A Teacher's Guide to Education Law" helps to provide individuals with the information to understand and avoid unnecessary litigation.

The Employment Rights of Teachers: Exploring Education Law Worldwide edited by Charles J. Russo and Jan DeGroof

Location: [K3748 .E48 2009](#)

Analyzing and reflecting on the rights of educators in twelve different countries, this title provides an international glimpse into educational law and legislation.

West's Education Law Reporter

Location: [KF4110 .A2 W47](#)

This 200-plus-volume set provides coverage of education related cases from the U.S. Supreme Court, U.S. Courts of Appeals, U.S. District Courts, and state appellate courts. The subjects include the structure and activities of colleges and universities, as well as subjects for institutions below the college level, such as constitutional and statutory provisions, public supervision and regulation, incorporation, boundaries, indebtedness, taxation, meetings, property, employment, attendance, admission, curriculum, discipline, and government of schools.

West's Education Law Digest

Location: [KF4110.3 .W47 1999](#)

Covers cases published in West's Education Law Reporter. It alphabetically lists the title of each case, the volume and page of the reports in which each case is published, subsequent case history, and the digest topic and key number under which each point of law is digested.



II. MICHIGAN RESOURCES

Michigan School and Related Laws

Location: [KFM4590 .A29 M53](#)

Published by LexisNexis, this title is a useful resource for all of the Michigan school-related statutes and state regulations. A thorough index allows for easy searching and the accompanying CD-ROM contains additional information on the federal level.

III. JOURNALS/NEWSLETTERS

American Association of Law Schools (AALS)

Section on Education Law

Location: [KF4102 .N473](#)

Section on Institutional Advancement

Location: [KF4102 .N48](#)

The Chronicle of Higher Education

Location: [LB2300 .C57](#)

The Journal of College and University Law

Location: [K10. O856](#)

The Journal of Higher Education

Location: [K10 .O8615](#)

IV. DATABASES

Lexis—selected databases:

[Americans with Disabilities Act – Federal Agency Decisions](#)
[Americans with Disabilities Act – Federal Court Cases](#)
[Brigham Young University Education Law Journal](#)
[Department of Education, Office of Hearings & Appeals Decision](#)
[Federal and State Education Law Cases](#)
[Journal of Law and Education](#)
[National Disability Law Reporter](#)
[The New York Times Education Law Stories](#)
[Rapp, Education Law](#)
[SchoolMatch](#)

Westlaw—selected databases:

[Brigham Young University Education & Law Journal](#) (BYUELJ)
[Checklists for Search and Seizure in Public Schools](#) (SRCHSCHLS)



[Education Law: First Amendment, Due Process and Discrimination](#) (EDULAW)
[Education](#) (EDCT)
[Education Topical News](#) (EDNEWS)
[Journal of College & University Law](#) (JCUL)
[Journal of Law and Education](#) (JLEDUC)
[Journal of Legal Education](#) (JLEGED)
[Legal Issues in Collegiate Athletics](#) (OAKLICATH)
[Legal Notes for Education](#) (OAKLNEDU)
[School Employment Legal Alert](#) (OAKSELA)
[T & D \(Magazine\)](#) (TRAINDEV)
[Special Education Law Update](#) (OAKSELU)
[U.S. Department of Education Decisions](#) (FED-ADMIN)
[West's Education Law Reporter](#) (Articles from the Reporter) (WELR)

V. INTERNET RESOURCES

American Federation of Teachers

<http://www.aft.org/>

American School Board Journal

<http://www.asbj.com/>

Center for Education Reform

<http://www.edreform.com/>

Education Law Association

<http://www.educationlaw.org/>

ERIC – Education Resources Information Center

<http://www.eric.ed.gov/>

Higher Education Legislation

<http://www.ed.gov/offices/OPE/PPI/Reauthor/index.html>

Michigan Department of Education

<http://www.michigan.gov/mde>

Michigan Education Association

<http://www.mea.org/>

National Association for College and University Attorneys

<http://www.nacua.org/>

National Center for Education Statistics

<http://nces.ed.gov/>



National Education Association

<http://www.nea.org/index.html>

National Library of Education

<http://www.ed.gov/NLE/index.html>

National School Boards Association

<http://www.nsba.org/default.aspx>

Cornell Legal Information Institute – topical index of state education statutes

http://www.law.cornell.edu/topics/state_statutes2.html#education

United States Department of Education – Special Education

<http://www.ed.gov/policy/speced/leg/edpicks.jhtml?src=ln>

