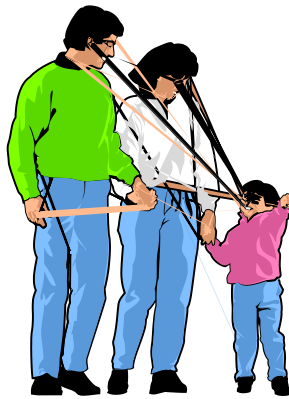


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SCOPE: This research guide is not all-inclusive. It does, however, present resources available at the CWSL library and online regarding legal issues associated with California Family Law. It is designed to provide the researcher with guidance as to the location of materials dealing with this subject. Additional research can be conducted by using the KIM system, legal periodical indices, and other finding aids. **Access to Lexis, Westlaw, and the Internet is limited to students and faculty at CWSL.** We welcome suggestions for improvement on this and other research guides. Please consult the Reference Librarian with suggestions and further research questions. This research guide is organized by format.

• Annotated Codes

DEERING'S CALIFORNIA CODES ANNOTATED. CALIFORNIA FAMILY CODE. Lexis Publishing. Core Collection & 4th Floor: KFC 30.5 .D43

WEST'S ANNOTATED CALIFORNIA CODES. CALIFORNIA FAMILY CODE. West Group. Core Collection & 4th Floor: KFC 30.5 .D43

LARMAC CONSOLIDATED INDEX TO THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF CALIFORNIA. Recorder Publishing. Core Collection: KFC 40 .L3

• Court Rules

Family Court is Division V of the Superior Court system. Rules can be found in the following sources:

CALIFORNIA RULES OF COURT, STATE (unannotated). West Publishing, annual. Reserve: KFC 992 .A199

COURT RULES: SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, volume 3 (San Diego County). Daily Journal Corporation (Looseleaf). Reserve: KFC 992 .A2 1978

SAN DIEGO COUNTY RULES OF COURT. Metropolitan News-Enterprise. (Looseleaf). Reserve: KFC 992 .A2 1989

DEERING'S CALIFORNIA CODES, RULES ANNOTATED [RULES OF COURT]. Core Collection: KFC 30.5 .D43

WEST'S ANNOTATED CALIFORNIA CODES. (Court Rules). Core Collection: KFC 30.5 .W4, v.23 pt.2 (Title 5)

• **Encyclopedias**

SUMMARY OF CALIFORNIA LAW. By B.E. Witkin. Bankcroft-Whitney. Core Collection & Reserve: KFC 80 .W8 1987

v.10 and Supplement - Parent-Child

v.11 and Supplement - Husband & Wife

CALIFORNIA JURISPRUDENCE 3D. Bancroft-Whitney. Core Collection:
KFC 80 .C29 v.32-33

• **Practice Sets**

Adams & Sevitch, CALIFORNIA FAMILY LAW PRACTICE. Reserve: KFC 115 .A32 1996

Rutter Group, CALIFORNIA PRACTICE GUIDE, FAMILY LAW. By Hogoboom & King.
Reserve: KFC 115 .H63

CALIFORNIA MARITAL SETTLEMENT AND OTHER FAMILY LAW AGREEMENTS.
CEB. Core Collection & Reserve: KFC 126 .C34 1997

PRACTICE UNDER THE CALIFORNIA FAMILY CODE: DISSOLUTION, LEGAL
SEPARATION, NULLITY. CEB. Core Collection & Reserve: KFC 126 .P72

CALIFORNIA JUVENILE DEPENDENCY PRACTICE. CEB. Core Collection & Reserve:
KFC 1196. C34 2002

CALIFORNIA FAMILY LAW PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE. Matthew Bender.
Core Collection: KFC 115 .C34

HOW TO DO YOUR OWN DIVORCE IN CALIFORNIA. Nolo Press. New edition annually.
4th Floor. KFC 126 .Z9 S53

• **Hornbooks and Nutshells**

Clark, Homer H., Jr. THE LAW OF DOMESTIC RELATIONS IN THE UNITED STATES (2d
ed. 1988). West Publishing. Reserve: KF 504 .C55 1988

Krause, Harry D. FAMILY LAW IN A NUTSHELL (3d ed. 1995). West Publishing.
Reserve: KF 505 .Z9 K7 2003

Mennell, Robert L. & Thomas M. Boykoff. COMMUNITY PROPERTY IN A NUTSHELL (2d

ed. 1988). West Publishing. Reserve: KF 526 .Z9 M46 1988

• **Looseleaf Services**

FAMILY LAW REPORTER (1974-present). BNA. "Reference" binder includes federal law and regulations, uniform and model acts, selected state laws, divorce laws from all states and practice aids. The "Current Developments" binder includes highlights and current indexes.
4th Floor: KF 503.4 .F35

• **Periodical Indexes**

LEGALTRAC (1980-present). A periodical index for law reviews, legal newspapers, law specialty publications and bar association journals through SearchBank, an online service via the internet. Reference.

CURRENT LAW INDEX (1980-present). Reference.

INDEX TO LEGAL PERIODICALS (1888-present). Print available in Reference. Online service available to CWSL community through the Virtual Library.

INDEX TO PERIODICAL ARTICLES RELATED TO LAW (1958-present). Reference.

• **Periodicals**

AMERICAN JOURNAL OF FAMILY LAW (1987-present). 4th Floor: KF 501 .A3 A43

CALIFORNIA FAMILY LAW REPORT (1977-present). 4th Floor: KFC 115 .A1 C1

CHILDREN'S LEGAL RIGHTS JOURNAL (1981-present). 3rd Floor Periodicals.

FAMILY ADVOCATE (1978-present). 3rd Floor Periodicals.

FAMILY AND CONCILIATION COURTS REVIEW (1991-present).
4th Floor: KF 505.5 .A15 F35 (CWSL has v.29-31 & v.33-38 only)

FAMILY LAW QUARTERLY (1967-present). 3rd Floor Periodicals.

JUVENILE AND FAMILY COURT JOURNAL (1978-present). 3rd Floor Periodicals.

JOURNAL OF JUVENILE LAW (1977-present). 3rd Floor Periodicals.

JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN ACADEMY OF MATRIMONIAL LAWYERS (1985-present). 3rd Floor Periodicals.

JUVENILE AND FAMILY COURT JOURNAL (1978-present). 3rd Floor Periodicals.

UC DAVIS JOURNAL OF JUVENILE LAW AND POLICY (1996-present). 3rd Floor Periodicals.

• **Practice Sets and Treatises**

ATKINSON, JEFF. MODERN CHILD CUSTODY PRACTICE. 2 volumes with supplements. Kluwer. 4th Floor: KF 505.5 .A98 2000

ADOPTION LAW AND PRACTICE. 3 volumes. Looseleaf. Matthew Bender. 4th Floor: KF 545 .A93

LINDEY, ALEXANDER & LOUIS I. PARLEY. LINDEY ON SEPARATION AGREEMENTS AND ANTENUPTIAL CONTRACTS. 2 volumes. Looseleaf. Matthew Bender. 4th Floor: KF 535 .L5 1999

MCCAHEY, JOHN P., et al., CHILD CUSTODY & VISITATION LAW AND PRACTICE. 5 volumes. Looseleaf. Matthew Bender. 4th Floor: KF 547 .C44

VALUATION & DISTRIBUTION OF MARITAL PROPERTY. 3 volumes. Looseleaf. 4th Floor: KF 524 .V35

WOODHOUSE, VIOLET. DIVORCE AND MONEY: HOW TO MAKE THE BEST FINANCIAL DECISIONS DURING DIVORCE. (3d ed. 1996). Nolo Press. 4th Floor: KF 524 .Z9 W66 1996

• **Uniform Laws**

UNIFORM LAWS ANNOTATED. (Most Family matters may be found in volumes 9 parts 1-4, 9A parts 1-2, and 9B). West Publishing. 4th Floor: KF 165 .A5 U51

• **Internet Resources - California**

[NOTE: Internet site addresses change frequently. Accordingly, some of these sites may no longer exist under the addresses provided. To locate changed addresses, search for the page title using an Internet search engine such as Google (www.google.com) or HotBot

(www.hotbot.com).]

SAN DIEGO COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT. [Online]. Available at:

<http://www.sandiego.courts.ca.gov/superior/index.html>

This site contains the local Rules of Court, court calendars, fee schedules, a few civil forms as well as other information regarding the San Diego Superior Court system.

INTERNET LAW LIBRARY: DOMESTIC RELATIONS. [Online]. Available at:

<http://www.lawguru.com/ilawlib/97.htm>

This is a page of links to national and international domestic relations sites relating to marriage, divorce, domestic violence, and custody.

CALIFORNIA FAMILY CODE. [Online]. Available at:

<http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/calaw.html>

This is the Table of Contents to the Family Code which links the sections to the actual code texts.

FEDERAL OFFICE OF CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT HOME PAGE. [Online].

Available at: <http://www.acf.dhhs.gov/programs/cse/>

Contains news and information about the Office as well as policy statements, reports and state links.

UNIFORM MATRIMONIAL, FAMILY, AND HEALTH LAWS. [Online]. Available at:

<http://www.law.cornell.edu/uniform/vol9.html>

Contains links to Uniform laws related to marriage, family and health.

LEXIS-NEXIS. [Online]. Available at: <http://www.lexis.com>

Although the library used on Lexis would be dependant upon the search being performed, Lexis does have a Family Law file containing federal and state cases, administrative and legislative materials, newsletter, law reviews, treatises and news.

WESTLAW. [Online]. Available at: <http://www.westlaw.com>

The specific database used in Westlaw will depend upon the search being conducted; however, Westlaw does provide a database for Family Law which contains federal and state cases, statutes, and administrative materials as well as current developments, practice manuals and news.

• **Internet Resources - U.S.**

INDIAN CHILD WELFARE ACT, 25 U.S.C., Chapter 21. [Online]. Available at:

<http://www4.law.cornell.edu/uscode/25/ch21.html>

Also available in print in the Core Collection.

FULL FAITH AND CREDIT GIVEN TO CHILD CUSTODY DETERMINATIONS,

28 U.S.C. § 1738A. [Online]. Available at: <http://www4.law.cornell.edu/uscode/28/1738A.html>

Also available in print in the Core Collection.

CIVIL RIGHTS OF CHILDREN, 42 U.S.C. § 1983. [Online]. Available at:
<http://www4.law.cornell.edu/uscode/42/1983.html>

Also available in print in the Core Collection.

ADOPTION ASSISTANCE AND CHILD WELFARE ACT OF 1980, 42 U.S.C. § 620.
[Online]. Available at: <http://www4.law.cornell.edu/uscode/42/620.html>

Also available in print in the Core Collection.

THE CHILDREN'S BUREAU, 42 U.S.C. Chapter 6. [Online]. Available at:
<http://www4.law.cornell.edu/uscode/42/ch6.html>

Also available in print in the Core Collection.

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION AND ADOPTION REFORM ACT, 42 U.S.C. Chapter 67.
[Online]. Available at: <http://www4.law.cornell.edu/uscode/42/ch67.html>

Also available in print in the Core Collection.

SOCIAL SECURITY ACT, 42 U.S.C., Chapter 7. [Online]. Available at:
<http://www4.law.cornell.edu/uscode/42/ch7.html>

Also available in print in the Core Collection.

FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE ACT (P.L.103-3) [Online]. Available at:
<http://www4.law.cornell.edu/uscode/29/ch28.html>

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS. [Online]. Available at:
<http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/cfr-table-search.html>

Also available in print in the Core Collection.

Online Catalog

CWSL's online catalog may be searched via <http://kim.cwsl.edu> . There are dedicated computer terminals for catalog access located in the Reference area and on the 3rd and 4th Floors. The Library has many resources available on Family law that are not listed in this guide. You may find these resources by searching under title, author, keyword or by subject. The following are some selected terms used to search by subject:

Abused Children	Guardian and Ward
Abused Wives	Husband and Wife
Adoption	Illegitimacy
Alimony	Juvenile Corrections
Antenuptial Contracts	Juvenile Courts
Birth Control	Juvenile Delinquency
Child Abuse	Juvenile Justice, Adm.
Child Support	Kidnapping, Parental
Child Welfare	Lesbian Couples
Children	Marriage
Community Property	Marriage - Annulment
Custody of children	Marriage Counseling
Divorce - Law and legislation	Marriage Law
Divorce Mediation	Married Women
Divorce Settlements	Parent and child
Divorce Suits	Paternity
Domestic Relations - California	Separation
Family	Support (Domestic Relations)
Family Policy	Surrogate Mothers
Family Social Work	Unmarried Couples
Family Violence	Wife Abuse
Father and Child	
Gay Couples	
Gay Fathers	