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Washingtoniana Division of the D.C. Public Library offers access to the current laws and regulations of the District of Columbia and their precursors.

In a limited fashion court cases of a variety of courts are covered, through the *District of Columbia Digest* and the *Daily Washington Law Reporter*.

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## LAWS

**n** *District of Columbia Code, annotated* **Ref Desk 348.753/D614 Wash/Ref**

current 1981 ed. (updated with pocket parts and  
the Advance Legislative Service 348.753/D614a Wash/Ref)

\*historical: (microfilm of all editions of code through 1940 ed. **microfilm Wash/Ref**)  
paper copies of all codes since 1901, 1911, 1919, 1925, 1940, 1951, 1961, 1967,  
1973 **345.22/D614 Wash/Ref**)

1967 unannotated code was supplemented by the District of Columbia Code  
Encyclopedia 348.753/D614d Wash/Ref)

*Human Rights Act of 1977: title 1, chapter 25--Human Rights, District of Columbia code.*  
1991.

**342.753/D614d Wash/Ref**

Also of interest:

*Acts affecting the District of Columbia.* 1874-1966 **352.0753/D64 Wash/Ref**

*Legislation pertaining to the District of Columbia.* 1931-1974 **352.0753/U58 Wash/Ref**

*Statutes at large, 1973-1986, 352.0753/D6241/yr Wash/Ref* [suspended]

see also--*U.S. Code 345/U58u81 Gov/Ref*

### Interstate Compacts

listed in Chanin p. 1-16 - 1-17 [see secondary sources at end]

### D.C. Charter

*officially* D.C. Self-Government and Reorganization Act, DC Code title I, chapters 2, 3  
Dec. 24, 1973 87 Stat. 774, PL 93-198

also published as *Home Rule Act, as amended 342.753/D614 Wash/Ref*

### Law Reporter

*D.C. Tax Reporter* (looseleaf) [Commerce Clearing House]. **Ref Desk 336.2/C734d2 Wash/Ref**

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## REGULATIONS

**n** *D.C. Municipal Regulations* (DCMR) **current edition: Ref Desk Wash/Ref,**

earlier eds. **352.01753/D6514 Wash/Ref**

series dates from 1982 to present, kept current by *D.C. Register*  
[indexed quarterly and annually in *D.C. Register*]

*DCMR Deskbook* [index to DCMR] **Ref Desk Wash/Ref**

*District Personnel Manual* **Ref Desk Wash/Ref**

*Rulemaking handbook and publications style manual.* 1983. **352.0753/D614ru Wash/Ref**

### n Historical

D.C. Rules and Regulations (DCRR) [superseded predecessor to DCMR] **Wash/Ref office**

Police **352.2/D614 [year] Wash/Ref**

Zoning **711.5/D614 [year] Wash/Ref**

Building **Wash/Ref office**

others

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## LEGAL BULLETIN

### **n** *D.C. Register*

1954-present **352.0753/D6514r Wash/Ref** (official legal bulletin of the District of Columbia government)

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## EXECUTIVE

### **n** **Mayor**

*Mayor's Orders* 1979 - present also published in *D.C Register*

*Mayor's Memoranda* 1979 - present

Reorganization plans appear in D.C. Code v.1 (under Acts relating to the Establishment of the District of Columbia)

### **n** **Agencies**

*District of Columbia Administrative Procedure Manual*

352.0753/B223 Wash/Ref 1969

352.0753/D612d Wash/Ref 1982

352.0753/D655 **Wash/Ref 1991 3rd ed. (current)**

*District of Columbia Procurement Digest Ref Desk Wash/Ref*

*Cumulative index to the decisions of the Public Employees Relations Board and related court decisions [through June 30, 1992].* 1993. **Ref Desk 344.753/C971 Wash/Ref**

*D.C. Public Service Commission Reports and Digest* **343.09/D615** and **343.09/D615d Wash/Ref**

District of Columbia Public Utilities Commission. *Commissioners' orders.* 1916-1956.

**Periodicals Wash/Ref**

OEP

### **n** **Commissioners**

Commissioners' Orders [*superseded by Mayor's Orders*]

1941-1943, 1971-74 **Wash Ref office**

Commissioners' Memoranda [*superseded by Mayor's memoranda*]

1971-73 **Wash Ref office**

Commissioners' Administrative Instructions

1971-75 **Wash Ref office**

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## LEGISLATIVE

*Legislative drafting manual.* 1988. **328.373/M515 Wash/Ref**

*District Council legislative Service* 19??-

*Council of the District of Columbia: owner's manual.* 1981/2-1991/2 [ceased?]

**352.0753/D6138c Wash/Ref**

## Historical

Council of the District of Columbia. *Minutes*. 1968/9-1972/3 **352.0753/D6138m** oversized Wash/Ref  
\_\_\_\_\_. *Annual Report*. 1969 [only issue] **352.0753/D6138** Wash/Ref

*Various documents from the Territorial form of Government, 1871-1874*. [some microfilm, some  
Cutter--request at Reference Desk]

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## COURTS

### n Court Rules

*District of Columbia Court Rules Annotated*. **347.753/D614** Wash/Ref Desk  
accompanies D.C. Code

*Rules of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia* (looseleaf) [Rules Service Co.]

**Ref Desk Wash/Ref**

*D.C. Court Rules* (looseleaf) [Rules Service Co.] **Ref Desk Wash/Ref**

*District of Columbia Court of Appeals*

*United States District Court for the District of Columbia*

*United States Bankruptcy Court*

*United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit*

### n Court reporters

*Daily Washington Law Reporter*

library has December 1989-present

**[current at Ref Desk, back issues request at Ref Desk]**

*United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit [US App DC] Reports*  
v.1 (1893) - 295 (1992) **347.753/U58** Wash/Ref

*Maryland Reporter (Atlantic Reporter series)* 1 A.2d (1938) - 248 A.2d (1969) **Wash/Ref**

*Federal reporter* 414 F.2d (1970) - 603 F.2d (1979) **Gov/Ref**

*US Reports* 348 US (1954) - 503 US (1992) **Gov/Ref**

### Court Digests

*District of Columbia Digest* **345.42/D615** Wash/Ref

*District of Columbia Casefinder--Torts*. 1992. **346.753/S819a** [earlier ed. 1977.]

*District of Columbia estates, trusts, and probate law digest*. 2nd ed.

**Ref Desk** 346.753/D6145 Wash/Ref

### Historical

Torbert, Wm. S. *Index-Digest of District of Columbia cases...* [including supplements 1893-1931].

**shelved with 347.753/U58** Wash/Ref

also 1893-1908

**Stax 345.42/T676** Wash/Ref

Maupin. *District of Columbia Digest, 1 Cranch to 14 DC App.*

**shelved with 347.753/U58** Wash/Ref

Cogley, Thos. Sydenham. *Digest of decisions of the courts of last resort in the District of Columbia from 1 Cranch to XIX D.C., inclusive....*

**Cutter KL/C656** Wash/Ref

### n Corporation Counsel

*Opinions v.1(1976/7) - 6 (1981). 347.7/D613 Wash/Ref*  
no more published--available through Office of Corporation Counsel

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## **CONTROL BOARD (FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY AND MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY)**

legislation and newspaper clippings  
Vertical file **Wash/Ref**

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## **BAR**

*D.C Rules of professional conduct.* 1992. **347.753/D1115 Wash/Ref** replaces  
*D.C. Code of Professional responsibility.* 1983. 347.753/C669 Wash/Ref  
*Mandatory District of Columbia course on the D.C. Rules of Professional Conduct and D.C. practice.*  
1997. **347.753/M271 Wash/Ref**

### **n Rules**

*in District of Columbia Court Rules Annotated.* **347.753/D614 Wash/Ref Desk**  
loose-leaf edition

### **n Jury instructions**

*Standardized civil jury instructions for the District of Columbia.* rev. ed. 1981.  
**Ref Desk 347.753/B223 Wash/Ref**  
*Criminal jury instructions.* 1978. 3rd ed.  
**Ref Desk 345.753/B223 Wash/Ref** [1966 ed 343/B223 Wash/Ref]

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## **LAWYER DIRECTORIES**

*D.C Bar Membership directory* [**current ed. at Ref Desk**], **347.753/D6125m Wash/Ref**  
1992, 1995, 1996  
*Legal Register* [**current ed. at Ref Desk**], **347.058/L497 Wash/Ref**  
*Martindale Hubbell* **347/M384 Wash/Ref**  
DC volume 1978, 1985, 1991, 1993  
*Legal Times Directory of D.C. Law Offices.* [**current ed. at Ref Desk**]  
Women's Bar Association of the District of Columbia. *Directory.* 1996. **Ref Desk Wash/Ref**  
*Legal Service sourcebook.*1992. **340.0257/D614 Wash/Ref**  
*Public service directory: a listing of public service and pro bono organizations in the District of  
Columbia area.* 1994, 1997. **347.753/P976 Wash/Ref Ref desk**

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## **ANNUAL REPORTS**

District of Columbia Courts **347.753/D612 Wash/Ref**  
1972-present  
Commission on Judicial Disabilities and Tenure **327.753/D61117 Wash/Ref**  
1975/6-

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## PRACTICE MANUALS

- Brown, W. Dean. *Incorporating in Washington, D.C. without a lawyer*. 1997.  
**346.7306/B881 Wash/Ref**
- Carter, William J. *Appellate practice handbook for Maryland, Virginia and District of Columbia*. 1996,  
**347.7508/C325 Wash/Ref desk**
- Criminal Practice Institute trial manual*. 1989, 1990, 1993.  
**345.753/C928 Wash/Ref**
- District of Columbia Practice manual*. 2nd ed.  
**Ref Desk 348.753/D615 Wash/Ref**
- District of Columbia Practice manual*. 7th ed.  
**Ref Desk 347.753/D6144a2 Wash/Ref**  
newest ed. at Ref. Desk
- Development processes in the District of Columbia*. 1984?  
**346.753/D489 Wash/Ref**
- Dunlap, Janice. *Practice manual for child abuse and neglect cases in the District of Columbia*.  
**Ref Desk 344.753/D921 Wash/Ref**
- Family law: child custody training manual, second ed.* 1996. **346.753/F198 Wash/Ref ref desk**
- Goodman, Cynthia S. *Collection of accounts: the law in the District of Columbia*. 1981.  
**346.753/G653 Wash/Ref**
- Granat, Richard. *How to get a divorce*. [5th ed.] **Ref Desk Wash/Ref**
- Handbook for notaries public of the District of Columbia*. 4th ed. [replaces Hines, Eugene. *Manual for notaries public of the District of Columbia*.]  
**Ref Desk Notary File Wash/Ref**
- Starting and operating a business in the District of Columbia*. **Ref Desk 658.1109/J52 Wash/Ref**
- Karpoff, Julian. *Landlord and tenant law in the District of Columbia*. 1977.  
**Stax 346.753/K18 Wash/Ref**
- Loewinger, Kenneth. and R.J. Turner. *Loewinger on landlord-tenant law*. 1986.  
**Ref Desk 346.753/L827 Wash/Ref**
- Manual on D.C. environmental code*. 1974. **344.753/D614 Wash/Ref**
- Mersch. *Probate court practice, District of Columbia*.  
**346.7305/M574 Wash/Ref [superseded--see Ward (below)]**
- Mlyniec, Wallace J. *Juvenile law & practice in the District of Columbia*. 1988.  
**345.753/M685 Wash/Ref**
- Digest of decisions of the Rental Housing Commission....v.1,2*  
**346.753/D6142 v.1,2 Wash/Ref**
- Personnel and employment law in the D.C. metropolitan area*.  
**344.753/C692 Wash/Ref**
- Real estate, housing and land use section, District of Columbia Bar. *Understanding rent control*. 1989.  
**363.583/U55 Wash/Ref**
- Rent control handbook*. [District of Columbia Real Estate Reporter] 1985.  
**346.753/R422 Wash/Ref**
- Small housing providers and their tenants*.  
**346.753/S635 Wash/Ref**
- Sperling, Joseph. *Postjudgment execution in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia*.  
**3rd ed. 347.753/S749 Wash/Ref**
- Ward, Nicholas, Virginia A. McArthur, August Zinsser III.

*Wills, trusts, estates: a practitioner's manual.* 1993. Ref **Desk 346.7305/W741 Wash/Ref**  
May, Eric M. *Workers' compensation practice manual.* 1992. **344.753/M466 Wash/Ref ref desk**

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## SECONDARY SOURCES

*A citizen's guide to the courts.* [Council for Court Excellence] 1989 [**Ref Desk**]  
Chanin, Leah. et al. *Legal research in the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia.* 1995.  
**340.072/C459 Wash/Ref**  
*Insider's guide to law firms.* 1993-94 ed. **340.0607/I59 Wash/Ref**  
*When someone dies--probate: a non-lawyer's guide to probate in D.C.* **346.7305/W567 Wash/Ref**  
*Youth and the law in the District of Columbia.* [Women's Bar Association of the District of Columbia].  
1983. **345.753/W872 1983 Wash/Ref**

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## PERIODICALS

[request at Reference Desk]  
*Bar Report* 1980-  
*Journal of the Bar Association of the District of Columbia* 1934-1962  
*District Lawyer* 1976-86 microfiche **became**  
*Washington Lawyer* 1986-1991 microfiche, 1986-present (paper)  
*Legal Times* 1988-

### Law Reviews

*District of Columbia School of Law Review*  
(library has some issues)  
*George Washington Law Review* 1948-1951, 1958-present **Periodical Room**  
*Georgetown Law Journal* 1969-present **Periodical Room**

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## HEARINGS AND OTHER CONGRESSIONAL DOCUMENTS

A large number of Congressional hearings, including appropriates, are cataloged by subject into the Washingtoniana collection. A chronological file of a large number of these, dating from 1789 to 1975 also is housed in the WASH office. These can be requested by date.

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## n OF NOTE

Hallberlin, David F. *Inside the courts, government and law libraries of the District of Columbia.*  
1993. **Ref Desk** [title ceased]

*How to start & build a law practice in the District of Columbia.* [3rd ed.] rev. by Joel P. Bennett.  
**340.0237/H847 Wash/Ref**

*Indices* **352.0753/D654 Wash/Ref**  
1984-1994/6 [title suspended]

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## NEW COLUMBIA

n Constitution of the State of New Columbia. 1982. **342.753/C758 Wash/Ref**  
n both 1982 and 1987 Constitutions in DC Code

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# WASHINGTON D.C. HISTORIC DOCUMENTS PRESERVATION PROGRAM [WDCHDPP] 7

## D.C. Legislative and Legal Documents

Ordinances of the Corporation of Georgetown, 1811-1871  
Acts of the Corporation of the City of Washington  
1803-1817  
Ordinances of the Corporation of the City of Washington  
1829 Digested index  
1827 Laws - 1871 Laws  
Laws of the Corporation of the town of Alexandria, 1844  
Laws for the District of Columbia. 1830.  
System of Civil and Criminal law for the District of Columbia and for the organization of courts therein: reported by the joint committee appointed for the purpose. 1833.  
Slavery code of the District of Columbia. 1862  
Journal of the Council of the City of Washington, 1864 - 1870  
Rules of Order for the Board of Common Council, 1855.  
Acts and Resolutions / Legislative Assembly. 1871-1873  
Laws of the District of Columbia 1871-1874  
Journal of the Council of the District of Columbia 1871-1874  
Journal of the House of Delegates of the District of Columbia 1871-1874  
1872 Rules of the House of Delegates, with the rules of order of the council  
The New Territorial Government of the District of Columbia / Clinton Rice, 1871  
1873 [Statutes in Force] Revision of the Laws of the District of Columbia  
1873 Laws of the District of Columbia relating to the Board of Public Works  
Pechin, Maurice. Supplement to Webb's Digest, 1886  
[note: this complements the set purchased from Temple University]  
Compiled Statutes and ordinances ... relating to railroad companies  
Federal and local legislation relating to canals and steam railroads  
Laws relating to street-railway franchises  
District of Columbia Code, 1940 edition  
District of Columbia Code of Law 1818-1939 microfilm borrowed from Temple University

## Of Historical Note:

Eby, Herbert O. *Handbook of the District of Columbia Code and case law*. 2nd ed. 1937  
Cutter K859L/Eb9 Wash/Ref

## Biography/Firm History

Diamond, Norman. *A practice almost perfect: the early days at Arnold, Fortas & Porter*. 1997.  
340.0607/D537 Wash/Ref

Matthew Gilmore 1996; rev. August 26, 1997; April 18, 1998, 3/1999