



# Lane County Law Library

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## Criminal Law Research Guide

**GENERALLY:** The library has a wide variety of criminal law resources, geared both towards Oregon and federal law; and intended both for attorneys and self-represented litigants.

This guide is not intended to give you every resource but only to help you navigate the library and on-line resources.

**Disclaimer:** It is against state law for library staff members to engage in any conduct that might constitute the unauthorized practice of law (ORS 9.160 and 9.21.) They may not interpret statutes, cases, or regulations, perform legal research, recommend or assist in the preparation of forms, or advise patrons regarding their legal rights. They may, however, assist patrons in locating materials or links that would aid individual research.

### *SUGGESTED RESOURCES:*

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#### **BOOKS:**

***CRIMINAL LAW*** - by Oregon State Bar, c. 2005, with 2006 supplement. v. 1-3. Located on reserve at the Lane County Law Library: KFO 2975 .C755 2005 RES. This book contains chapters on many areas of criminal law from search and seizure, through trial, to parole. It is written for attorneys but is meant to be straight forward.

#### ***OREGON CRIMINAL DEFENSE LAWYERS ASSOCIATION PUBLICATIONS:***

***THE CRIMINAL LAW FORMBOOK***, On reserve: **KFO 2961 .A65 C75 RES**

***CRIMINAL LAW NEWSLETTER***, Located in the Oregon Collection at **KFO 2961 .A65 OR**

***FELONY SENTENCING IN OREGON: GUIDELINES, STATUTES, CASES***, Located in the Oregon Collection at the Lane County Law Library: **KFO 2983.2 .B37 2008 RES**

***THE CRIMINAL LAW HANDBOOK: KNOW YOUR RIGHTS, SURVIVE THE SYSTEM***, - by Paul Bergman & Sara Berman-Barrett, 2009. Located on reserve at the Lane County Law Library: **KF 9619.6 .B47 2009 REF**. Not specific to Oregon but intended for non-attorneys.

***THOMPSON WEST PUBLICATIONS*** – Not specific to Oregon.

***Search and Seizure***, KF 9630.L26 2004

***Substantive Criminal Law***, KF 9219.L386 1986 (2001 supplement)

***Criminal Procedure***, KF 9619.L34 2007

***Federal Jury Practice and Instructions***, KF 8984.D4 1987 (2013 Supplement)

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**See Also:** *United States Code*, in the library at Aisle 8B, use the index to view the area of law that interests you, or access online at: <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/browse/collectionUSCode.action?collectionCode=USCODE> .

*Oregon Revised Statutes*, in the center of the Oregon Collection, or online at [https://www.oregonlegislature.gov/bills\\_laws/Pages/ORS.aspx](https://www.oregonlegislature.gov/bills_laws/Pages/ORS.aspx).

**OTHER PRINT ITEMS:** The library catalog may direct you to other helpful resources related to criminal law (see search terms below):

<http://www.libraryworld.net/cgi-bin/opac.pl?command=signin&libraryname=lanecountylawlib&guest=allow>

### **WEBSITES:**

1. **Lane Circuit Court:** <http://courts.oregon.gov/Lane/>  
Criminal Department and Pretrial Release Office web page, includes general information;
2. **Oregon State Bar:** <http://www.osbar.org/public/legalinfo/criminal.html>  
Great general overview on criminal law:
3. **United States Sentencing Commission:** (<http://www.ussc.gov/>)  
Access to publications including **Federal Sentencing Guidelines Manuals** and **Federal Sentencing Statistics by State, District, and Court**

### **Criminal Justice, Criminal Law, Corrections, Criminal Research**

1. **Georgetown Law Library Criminal Justice Research Guide:**  
([http://www.ll.georgetown.edu/guides/crim\\_justice.cfm#web](http://www.ll.georgetown.edu/guides/crim_justice.cfm#web))  
Provides an overview of the federal criminal law resources and other related resources, with an emphasis on criminal procedure. It does **not** cover international or state laws.
2. **National Criminal Justice Reference Service:** (<http://www.ncjrs.gov/index.html>)  
NCJRS is a federally funded resource offering justice and substance abuse information to support research, policy, and program development worldwide.
3. **Nolo.com Criminal Law page:** (<http://www.nolo.com/legal-encyclopedia/criminal-law/index.html>)  
Offers research tips and links for State and Federal Law, lawyer directories, and articles on Criminal Law topics

### **COMPUTER SUBSCRIPTIONS:** (ASK A LIBRARIAN FOR TRAINING)

*Lexis* – All published Oregon cases, Federal Cases.

*Westlaw* – All Oregon and Federal cases and some practice related materials.

*HeinOnline* – Law review articles on relevant areas of law.

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