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The Legal List Internet Desk Reference: Law-Related Resources on the Internet and Elsewhere

by Erik J. Heels

Exploring the Internet can be exciting and entertaining. On the other hand, if you're in search of various helpful law-related resources and need the information quickly, this process can prove to be time-consuming and frustrating.

Not any more. Time-saving, low-cost assistance for finding your way around the legal side of the Internet is now available within a handy, new print product, *The Legal List*. This long-overdue directory conveniently supplies you with descriptions and addresses for all law-related resources available on the Internet via e-mail, FTP, Telnet, Gopher, WWW and WAIS. Resources available "off the Internet" by way of bulletin board services and commercial on-line services are also listed.

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*The Legal List* is a portable, user-friendly book that guarantees you highquality, reliable information that can save you countless hours of time as you explore the legal side of the Internet. This comprehensive publication includes: **law firms, corporations, organizations, government agencies, educational institutions, listserv lists, foreign resources, journals,** and **usenet newsgroups.** 

## A Brief History of The Legal List

Erik Heels initially learned about the Internet looking over the shoulders of his friends and co-workers, then began exploring the Internet for himself. He spent a great deal of 1992 researching on the Internet to locate law-related resources and was frustrated that a comprehensive list of such resources did not exist. So...Erik created his own list! As he discussed this endeavor with others, they began to request copies of his list. Mr. Heels began compiling *The Legal List* in 1992. What began as a fairly short list for his own use, grew into a book, now known, in its 6th version, as *The Legal List*.

# The following is a summary of the extensive contents of *The Legal List:*

**Introduction.** This section presents a brief primer on the Internet, including: how to get on the Internet; an overview of some Internet tools, such as Electronic Mail (E-mail), File Transfer Protocol (FTP), Gopher, VERONICA, the World-Wide Web (WWW), and Wide Area Information Servers (WAIS); and practical uses of the Internet, i.e. communication via E-Mail and publication and research via Internet servers.

**Chapter 1.** *Talk, Talk, Talk.* Described in this chapter are law-related listserv lists, Usenet newsgroups, BBSs and online services. Listserv lists are like magazines in that one can subscribe and unsubscribe. There are lists for a wide range of law-related interests, such as intellectual property (CNI-Copyright), fathers' rights (FREE-L), and issues of interest to law students (LawSch-L). Usenet is the news network that is intertwined with, but independent from, the Internet.

**Chapter 2.** *Government Institutions.* This chapter lists law-related resources made available by U.S. government organizations. An organization in this chapter would most likely have a domain name ending in ".gov" (government). This chapter is divided into two sub-sections: 1) U.S. Federal Government Organizations and 2) U.S. State Government Organizations.

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**Chapter 4.** *Corporations and Organizations.* Here's where you'll find a description of law-related resources made available for-profit, non-profit, and not-for-profit corporations and organizations. An organization in this chapter would most likely have a domain name ending in ".com" (commercial) or ".org" (organization). Law Firms as listed separately, sorted by states (or country) of their main office. This chapter also includes resources primarily made available by individuals rather than by organizations, governments, or education-al institutions.

**Chapter 5.** *Non-U.S. Resources.* Covered in this chapter are law-related resources made available by non-U.S. organizations, governments, and educational institutions including those made available by the United Nations.

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