



INSURANCE LAW

The insurance law collection at the University of Connecticut School of Law Library aims to support the research and educational needs of students and faculty, and the needs of the Insurance Law Program. It also serves the legal information needs of local, regional and national legal researchers, lawyers and the general public.

The library's insurance law collection, with materials housed on several floors in the Library, is growing rapidly. So far, the Library has **thousands** of titles on the topic of Insurance and Insurance law. To make sure your research is complete and accurate, start with an online catalog search:

To start your search:

Online Catalog:

The library's online catalog can be accessed through the Library Homepage. It catalogs books, treatises, journals, audiovisual materials and resources in various formats. Choose one of the items on the menu to search: Subject, Author, Word, Title, etc.

To do a Subject search:

Type: ***insurance liability*** (LC Subject Headings only)

You will get the search results. Check the record carefully to find the **call #**, the **location** and the **Status**.

To search by Author:

Type author's last name first, followed by the author's first name.

To search by Word:

Word search is the best way to identify books when you are unsure of the author, the subject or the title of the book. Search "insurance liability" by Word will give you more hits than searching it by Subject.

Legal Periodical Indexes:

If you are looking for a journal article or a law review article, you can use the Legal Periodical Indexes. At the Law School Library Homepage, Click on "Legal Periodical Indexes," choose either "Index to Legal Periodicals," or "Legal trac (Legal Resource Index)" to start your search.

To do a **Word** search:

Type: ***liability insurance and punitive damages*** you will get the search results. "Legal trac"

shows the location of the journal in this library.

The Library has most of the journals in either print or electronic format; For those journals that the library doesn't have, you can file an interlibrary loan request (Lexis and Westlaw have both Index to Legal Periodicals and Legal Resource Index).

Primary Materials

1. Statute/Code

Insurance law is primarily regulated at state level. Doing insurance law research requires to search 50 states' insurance statutes/codes. We have 50 states statutes/codes at the library, or you can search insurance statutes/codes online using LexisNexis, Westlaw, InSource or any state legislature's official website.

2. Regulation

State Insurance Department has some regulatory authority such as granting, renewal and revocation of license, approval or disapproval of insurance rates, etc. We have Connecticut Insurance Regulation in print by call number REF KFC 3635 1962 .A23 or you can search insurance regulation online using LexisNexis, Westlaw and InSource. Insurance Department's website also provides some current regulations. Access state Insurance Department website at:

http://www.naic.org/state_web_map.htm

3. Case

Insurance law is primarily based on common law. Case finding tools:

Appleman on Insurance KF1164 .A92

Couch on Insurance KF1159 .5 .C62

Miller's Standard Insurance Policies Annotated KF1160. M54

Insurance Law and Litigation Week KF1147. I573

Online case search—LexisNexis and Westlaw.

Insurance Policy and Interpretation

ISO policy forms are available on Lexis under Insurance. Following publications are helpful for policy interpretation:

FC&S : The Complete Property and Casualty Information Service H9956 .F37

Commercial Property Insurance HG8531 .R62 1989

Professional Liability Insurance KF1289 .B74

Personal Risk Management & Insurance HG8054 .5 .O48

Examples of Reference Books (3rd Floor)

Deskbook Encyclopedia of American

Insurance Law, REF KF1159 .D47

The Insurance Legislative Fact Book & Almanac, REF KF1167 .I57 2005

What's it Worth? REF KF1256 .A53 W5

Dictionary of Insurance Terms, REF HG8025 .P83 1995

The Insurance Almanac, REF HG8019 .I5

WHO's Who in Insurance, REF HG8523 .W5

Corpus Juris Secundum Vol 44-46A, Insurance REF KF 154.C56

American Jurisprudence 2d Vol 43-44, Insurance REF KF 154.A42

Examples of Encyclopedia, Treatises and Loose-leaf services (on the 5th Floor)

Holmes' Appleman on Insurance KF1164 .A92

Couch on Insurance 3d KF1159 .5 .C62

Law and Practice of Insurance Coverage

Litigation KF 1164.L39

The Law of Life and Health Insurance KF 1175.H37

Commercial Liability Insurance KF 1215 G53

Encyclopedia of Insurance Law KD1857 .5 .E5

Automobile Liability Insurance KF1218 .S333

Handbook of Reinsurance Law KF 1236 W.65

Modern Reinsurance Law and Practice KF1236 .O84

Major Periodicals and Newsletters* (On 1st, 4th & 5th Floor)

National Underwriter, HG8011 .N27_

Journal of American Insurance HG 8011 .J6

Journal of Risk & Insurance HG8011 .J64

NAIC Research Quarterly HG8501 .N36

Insurance Law Journal K9 .N677

The International Journal of Insurance Law K9 .N74

Connecticut Insurance Law Journal K3 .O54

Insurance Litigation Reporter KF 1159.I58

Insurance Law and Litigation Week KF1147 .I573

Insurance Coverage Law Bulletin KF 1147.I56

Journal of Insurance Regulation K10 .O8654

The Geneva Papers on Risk and Insurance Theory HG8015.G4

Geneva Papers on Risk and Insurance. Issues and Practice HG 8054.5.G467

* Most major periodicals and newsletters can also be accessed online on campus or off campus. Please ask a reference librarian for help.

Historical Insurance Collection (On 4th & 5th Floor)

The Historical Insurance Collection focuses on building up a comprehensive historical collection for research purposes. Here are some of the books and series we have:

History of Insurance HG 8597 .H574

The Metropolitan Life HG 8963 .M52 J3
1947

History of the Insurance Company of North America HG9780 .I5 M5 1885

A Century in Hartford HG 9893 .H3 B8
1931

Association of Life Insurance Counsel Proceedings KF1175 .A2 A8 1913–

Insurance in Venice HE964.5.I82 V43 1958

A System of the Law of Marine Insurances
KD 1845 P37 1789

* Making of Modern Law Provides digital images of more than 21,000 American and British legal treatises from the 19th and 20th centuries. Includes full text and keyword searching. You can find some old insurance titles there.

Insurance Fiction Collection (On 5th Floor)

The Insurance Fiction Collection is being developed to meet the information needs of those who have a special interest in insurance fiction titles. It is composed of novels that deal with topics ranging from stories of insurance agents to insurance fraud. Here are some of the titles:

Coyote Blue , Christopher Moor,
PR9199.3.M618 C69 1994

California Fire and Life, Don Winslow,
PS3573.I5326 C35 1999

Death Benefit, Thomas Perry, PS3566.E718
D43 2001

Love Insurance, Earl Derr Biggers,
PS3503.I54 L6 1914

Seven Commandment, Lawrence Sanders,
PS3569.A5125 S48 1991

The Policy, Patrick Linch, PR6062.Y596 P65
1998

The Rainmaker, John Grisham, PR6062.Y596
P65 1998

Please check the website to find out more:

<http://www.law.uconn.edu/library/ilc/fiction.htm>

Online Services

1. INTERNET

You can surf on the Internet and find other useful information about Insurance and Insurance Law. Here are some well-organized websites:

Insurance Law Collection and Research at University of Connecticut School of Law pulls together sites for doing insurance research in the United States and foreign countries.

<http://www.law.uconn.edu/library/ilc>

National Association of Insurance Commissioners includes news, calendar, papers and drafts models, financial data and reporting.
<http://www.naic.org>

Insurance Information Institute covers valuable insurance and risk management resources.

<http://www.iii.org>

Employee Benefit Research Institute has new legislation, publications and surveys.

<http://www.ebri.org>

2. LEXIS & WESTLAW (password required)

Both LEXIS and WESTLAW have rich resources on the topic of Insurance. To find the insurance files on LEXIS, either search under “Area of Law—by Topic” or do a word search under Find a Source by typing in e.g. **insurance litigation**, files related to insurance litigation will be listed on the screen. Choose one of the files and do a thorough search on the topic you choose. To find the insurance files on WESTLAW, click Insurance file under “Topical Materials by Area of Practice” or enter a word

search under “Search these Databases,” e.g., **insurance coverage**, a list of insurance coverage related files will be listed on the screen. Choose the one to start your search.

Sample Files:

Cases, Statutes and Administrative Materials
Law Reviews and Journals
Best’s Review and Best’s Company Reports
NAIC Model Laws, Regulations and Guidelines
Mealey Publications
ISO Policy Forms
Insurance Treatises and Analytical Materials
United Kingdom Insurance Cases and statutes

3. INSOURCE (register by Uconn Email)

Full text of state and federal insurance statutes and regulations, along with insurance-related advisory publications.

4. OTHER ONLINE RESOURCES

You may find the following databases useful when you conduct a research on the topic of insurance (Databases are listed under the “Research Databases” of the school of law library Home Page at <http://www.law.uconn.edu/library/>).

InfoTrac: Indexes and abstracts over 1600 magazines and journals in all fields of the sciences, social sciences, communication sciences, and humanities since 1980, and reproduces the full text for over 600 titles.

Hein Online: Archival database of full page images from legal journals (from the first issue published to a few years before present); the U.S. Federal Register from 1936 to 1980; U.S. Reports from 1754 to the present; and U.S. Treaties from 1776-1984.

JSTOR: Digital backfiles of core scholarly journals in many academic fields. It is a full text databases.

NBER Working Papers: Full text of working papers published by researchers for the National Bureau of Economic Research.

PROQUEST DATABASE: Links to a variety of databases provided by ProQuest, including ABI/Inform, Hoover’s Company Capsules and Profiles. Historical Newspaper file is especially useful.

SSRN (<http://www.ssrn.com>): Social Science Research Database which has two parts: an Abstract Database containing abstracts on over 156,500 scholarly working papers and forthcoming papers and an Electronic Paper Collection containing over 124,000 downloadable full text documents in Adobe Acrobat pdf format. SORN (Social Insurance Research Network) is one of the databases under SSRN.

Please check the Insurance Law website for more information at

<http://www.law.uconn.edu/library/ilc>

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