

## INFORM November 2015

### Illinois State Library

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### Legal research at your fingertips

HeinOnline is a popular legal resource at the State Library. This massive online legal library includes the popular "Subject Compilations of State Laws" database with nearly 23,000 items that identify, compare and/or describe the states' laws on hundreds of topics such as drunk driving, education and workers' compensation. HeinOnline also includes more than 2,000 law and law-related periodicals from the first issue published to the most current, based on contracts with publishers. Users can search by article title, author, subject, state or country of origin, full text or date of publication. In addition, HeinOnline includes treaties; presidential papers; pentagon papers; federal statutes; congressional documents; Supreme Court material; and federal agency documents, decisions and appeals. Check out this amazing resource, available to State Library patrons for free. If you don't have a library card, public officials and state employees may apply for a free card [here](#). Retired state employees and public library patrons can apply for a card [here](#).

### Electronic books collection

The State Library maintains a collection of e-book material from various publishers. Information on the collections and how to access them on your Android, Apple or Windows device is available on the State Library's [website](#).

Recent acquisitions include:

- Morris, Andrew. "[Getting to Grips with Science: A Fresh Approach for the Curious.](#)" London [England]: Imperial College Press, 2015.
- Peverill, Squire. "[State Legislatures Today: Politics Under the Domes.](#)" Lanham: Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, 2015.
- Scholtz, Susan Parnell, et al. "[Pediatric Nursing Test Success: An Unfolding Case Study Review.](#)" New York: Springer Publishing Company, 2015.

### Featured employee training and development videos

The State Library maintains a collection of employment training and development audiovisual materials that support the training needs of state agency personnel. A list of all titles is available on the State Library's [website](#).

A recent acquisition includes:

- "[M.E.E.T - Breaking New Ground: Respect & Inclusion in the Workplace](#)" [Clive, Iowa: Söllah Interactive, LLC, and Ben and Deb Alexander (Alexander Consulting & Training, Inc.), c2015. Call Number **658.3008 MEET 2015**.

One thing every organization has in common is the need for inclusion and respect. This video is a practical tool that shows how to manage diversity dynamics and create a "respect-filled" and inclusive workplace. The video provides realistic scenarios of difficult situations and aids the organization by developing a respectful workplace.

### New print titles

The State Library's collection of print materials continues to grow. Search for and request books via the [online catalog](#). To request or recommend purchases, please contact **Taran Ley** at 217-785-5615 or [tley@ilsos.net](mailto:tley@ilsos.net).

Recent acquisitions include:

- Blackman, Kate. "[Incorporating Community Health Workers into State Health Care Systems: Options for Policymakers.](#)" National Conference of State Legislatures, 2015.
- Burton, Michael John. "[Campaign Craft: The Strategies, Tactics, and Art of Political Campaign Management.](#)" Praeger, 2015.
- Grimaldi, Judith D. "[5@55: The 5 Essential Legal Documents You Need by Age 55.](#)" Quill Driver Books, 2015.
- Southard, Susan. "[Nagasaki: Life After Nuclear War.](#)" Viking, 2015.
- Williams, Katrina. "[Understanding Autism: The Essential Guide for Parents.](#)" Exisle Publishing Pty Ltd, 2015.

### Featured map

The State Library's map collection is the largest state library map collection in the nation, and the fifth largest government library map collection. Maps can be requested through the State Library's online catalog.

A recent acquisition includes:

- "[Diamond Lake Winter Recreation: Umpqua National Forest, Oregon.](#)" Portland, Oregon: United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, 2015.

### Featured databases

State employees and elected officials can use their [State Library card](#) to access the research databases. Visit the State Library's [website](#), and click "[Research Databases.](#)" When accessing any of the research databases off-site, you will be prompted for your last name and library card number. More information about accessing the research databases from your home or office is available on the "Remote Databases" [web page](#).

The library's featured database is [HeinOnline's](#) "Legal Classics" database. This is a sub-database of the HeinOnline legal library in our feature paragraph above. It includes more than 5,500 works from some of the greatest legal minds in history, including William Blackstone, William Holdsworth, Benjamin E. Cardozo and many more. In addition to many "classics," this collection also includes rare items that are found in only a handful of libraries around the world. For a great read, check out "[Abe Lincoln's Yarns and Stories - A Complete Collection of the Funny and Witty Anecdotes That Made Lincoln Famous as America's Greatest Story Teller.](#)"

### Illinois government publications — recent additions

The State Library is required by law to collect state agency print and electronic publications.

Recent additions to the collection include:

- Barlow, Sara. "[Assistance for Illinois Businesses.](#)" Springfield, Illinois: Legislative Research Unit, 2015.
- Dietz, Shiloh. "[Disaster and Gender in Southern Illinois.](#)" Carbondale, Illinois: Paul Simon Public Policy Institute, 2015.
- "[Illinois State Library Diversity Program.](#)" Springfield, Illinois: Illinois State Library, 2015.

### Reference reaches out

The State Library staff has the expertise and tools to get the information you need, when and where you need it. Call the reference staff at 217-782-7596, Mon.–Fri., 8 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

Taran Ley is the library's reference outreach coordinator. Contact Taran at 217-785-5615 or [tley@ilsos.net](mailto:tley@ilsos.net) to set up an outreach visit. Library staff loves educating state employees and elected officials on the many library services available and how you can access our resources 24/7 from work or home.

## Did you know?

- Did you know that during the height of the Civil War, President Lincoln was facing another possible war with Napoleon in Mexico? Lincoln even met with Confederate representatives to consider a joint invasion that might “bring the warring factions together!” [emphasis added, p. 227] In “[Lincoln in the World – The Making of a Statesman and the Dawn of American Power](#),” author Kevin Peraine studies the foreign policy issues surrounding Lincoln as a young congressman and president. Although we may think of Lincoln only in terms of the Civil War it is important to remember that “Lincoln and his team managed to pull off one of the most breathtaking feats in the annals of American foreign policy: they avoided European intervention on behalf of the Confederacy, which could well have led to a Southern victory.” [p. 5]
- Did you know of the actual eight years of the American Revolution, Martha Washington spent five years at the front with her husband? [p.2] She even went every winter to join him in the camps, including Valley Forge. Did you know that Eleanor Roosevelt’s voice was the first one Americans heard from the Roosevelt Administration after the attack on Pearl Harbor? Did you know that the famous White House china was established by Caroline Harrison? Did you know that Grace Coolidge had a pet raccoon that drove the White House staff crazy throwing soap and climbing the curtains? In “[First Ladies – Presidential Historians on the Lives of 45 Iconic American Women](#),” author Susan Swain discusses many other interesting stories on the first ladies, including Betty Ford, Nancy Reagan and Lady Bird Johnson.

Don’t have a library card to check out this book? Public officials and state employees may apply for a free card [here](#). Retired state employees and public library patrons can apply for a card [here](#).

## Illinois State Library contact information

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- Map Collection: 217-782-7596, [isinfo@ilsos.net](mailto:isinfo@ilsos.net)
- Interlibrary Loan: 217-782-7523, [ill@ilsos.net](mailto:ill@ilsos.net)
- [Library Catalog](#)
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