

ROADMAP

- What makes Immigration Law research complex
- Secondary Sources & Wexis combined databases
- × Sources of Primary Law
- Putting it together

WHAT SETS IMMIGRATION RESEARCH APART

- Several, sometimes inconsistent, Congressional enactments
- Various agencies with regulatory power since 9/11
- * Application of State and Federal law
- Not high earning cases; research costs matter!

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS WITH AUTHORITY

Homeland Security: Primary authority since dissolution of INS

- + Citizenship & Immigration Services
- + Customs & Boarder Protection
- + Immigration & Customs Enforcement
- + Asylum Adjudication
- Department of State: Retains some authority of visa issuance

Department of Justice

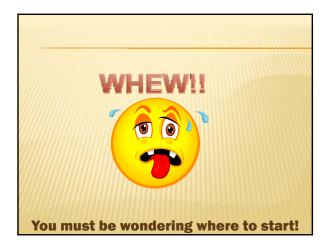
- Runs immigration court system
- + Handles employment discrimination matters
- Department of Labor: Considers effect on workforce
- Department of Health and Human Services: some authority over unaccompanied minors and pre-entry exams

GOVERNING LAWS

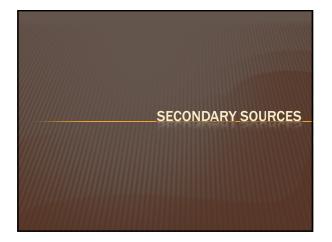
- Constitution: Article I, § 8 gives Congress its authority
- × United States Code
 - + Title 8: Aliens & Nationality
 - × Chapter 12: Immigration and Nationality
 - × Chapter 13: Immigration and Naturalization Services
 - Chapter 14: Restricting Welfare and Public Benefits for all Aliens
 - Title 18: Criminal Law and Procedure
 - × Chapter 69: Nationality and Citizenship
 - An area where there is Private Law

MORE GOVERNING LAWS

- Code of Federal Regulations
- + Aliens and Nationality Regs: Title 8
 - + Homeland Security: Chapter I
 - + DOJ Review: Chapter V
- + Justice Dept Regs: Title 28, pts. 44, 68 and o:
- + Labor Dept Regs: Title 20, 655 & 656, Title 29, 500 & 501
- + Health & Human Serv Regs: Title 42, pt. 34
- State Dept Regs: Title 20, pt. 40-42; Title 22, pt. 7, 50-51, 62-65















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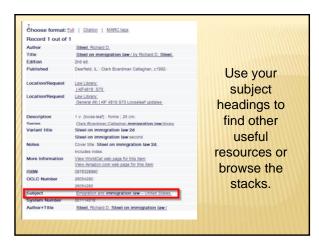
- × Arizona State
- × <u>Pace</u>
- × <u>Gonzaga</u>

POPULAR SECONDARY SOURCES

- × Austin T. Fragomen, Jr. et al., Immigration Legislation Handbook, KF4819 .1485
- Ira. J. Kurzban, Kurzban's Immigration Law Sourcebook, 11th. ed. KF4819.3 .K87
- Richard A. Boswell and Stephanie L. Browning, ed.,
 Essentials of Immigration Law
- Richard D. Steel, Steel on Immigration Law, 2d. ed.
 KF 4819.S74 1992 [Available on Westlaw (STEEL)]
- David S. Weissbrodt, Immigration Law and Procedure in a Nutshell . KF 4819.3 .W4 2005 (Reserve)







KEEPING UP TO DATE

- Austin T. Fragomen et al., Immigration Law and Business KF4819 .F7 [Westlaw (IMLB)] (Also see Immigration Law & Crimes, Immigration Law and the Family by Nat'l Imm Project of the Nat'l Lawyers' Guild)
- Charles Gordon and Stanley Mailman, Immigration Law and Procedure, Rev. ed. KF4819.G62 1988 [Lexis (IMMLAW)]
- Immigration Law Service, 2d KF4815 .145 [Westlaw (IMMLS2d)]
- Interpreter Releases KF4700 .A15 A54 (1985 -) [Westlaw (INTERREL)]
- Daniel M. Kowalski, ed., **Bender's Immigration Bulletin**, KF4802 .G664 [<u>http://bibdaily.com/</u>]

JOURNALS DEVOTED TO IMMIGRATION

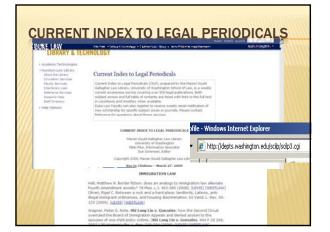
- * Georgetown Immigration Law Journal. Washington, D.C.: Georgetown Univ. Law. Ctr. (1985 -)
- Immigration and Nationality Law Review. Buffalo, N.Y.: William S. Hein & Co. (1976 -) [University of Cincinnati]
- Immigration Business News and Comment. st. Paul, MN: West Group. (1999 -) [on Westlaw since 2001; previously called Immigration Law Report]

Don't forget that many general journals include articles related to immigration. Additionally, there are journals on related topics such as refugees, asylum and human rights.

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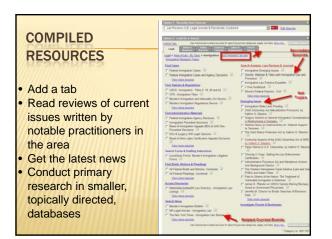












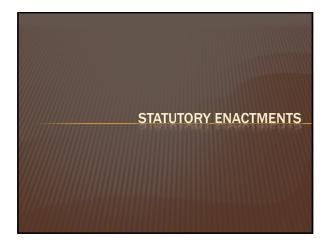


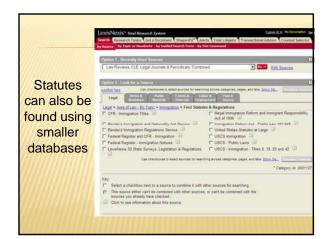




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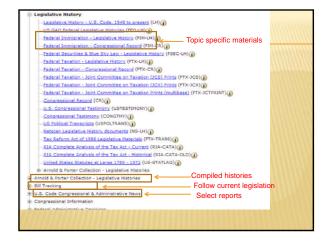














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CHANGING IMMIGRATION STATUTES

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- × http://thomas.loc.gov/
- Includes bill summary, full text of bills, text of amendments, full text of laws as finally passed,, links to reports and related bills, lists of co-sponsors

American Immigration Lawyers' Association Current Legislation

- http://capwiz.com/aila2/issues/bills/
- Current bills being considered with status and the position of the association





THE IMPORTANCE OF PRIVATE LAW

Laws passed by Congress affecting one or a few people. Commonly covers:

- × Property issues
- × Pay issues for gov't employees
- × and, yes, Immigration

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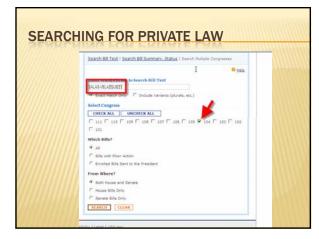
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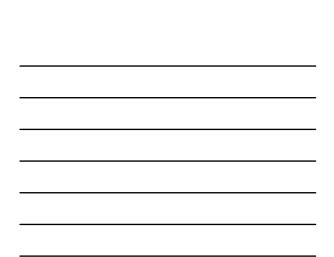
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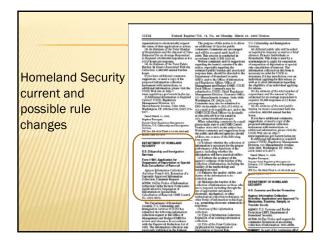


ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION & REVIEW

REGULATIONS

- Federal Register daily record of administrative work
 - + Contains:
 - × Contents and preliminary pages
 - × CFR Parts Affected in this issue
 - × Final Rules & Regulations
 - × Proposed Rules
 - × Notices
 - × Presidential Documents
 - × Reader Aids × Corrections
 - Practitioners often browse for changes in their areas





CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS

- Many of the looseleaf services include relevant statutes and regulations
- Statutes will lead to regulations promulgated under the statutory authority
- × Lots of free access: GPO, regulations.gov
- × Update with Federal Register

ADMINISTRATIVE ADJUDICATION

- Board of Immigration Appeals reviews individual cases
- Office of the Chief Immigration Judge oversees all immigration courts
- Office of the Chief Administrative Hearing Officer - employment discrimination and sanctions plus document fraud
- Board of Alien Labor Certification Appeals unfair employment practice
- Office of Immigration Litigation civil matters

BIA DECISIONS

Attorney General & BIA Precedent Decisions, US DOJ (1955 [Vol 8] -)

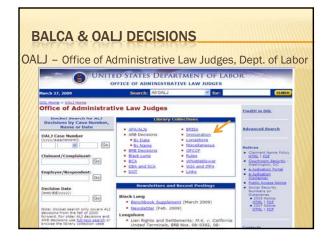
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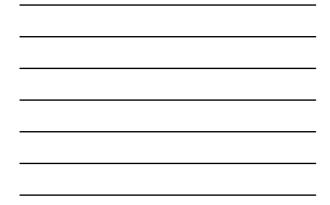
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Bender's Immigration Case Reporter. New York, NY.:, Matthew Bender, (1984 -): Monthly updated practitioners resource







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OFFICE OF IMMIGRATION LITIGATION

- Approximately 250 attorneys and 100 support staff are employed by the Office of Immigration Litigation (OIL).
- Attorneys and Non-Attorneys are divided into two sections: OIL 1 and the District Court Section.
- The Office of Immigration Litigation has jurisdiction over all civil immigration litigation, and is responsible for the nationwide coordination of immigration matters before the federal district courts and circuit courts of appeals.

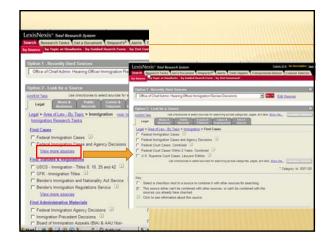
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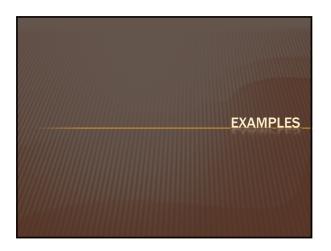
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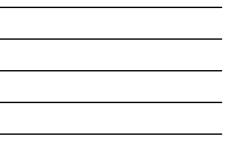
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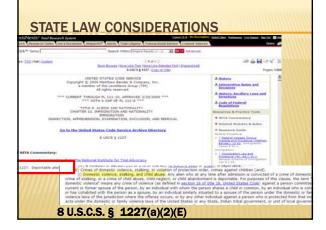




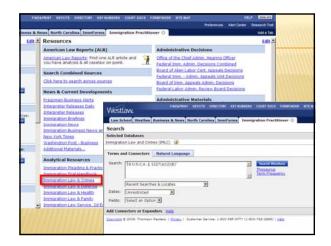


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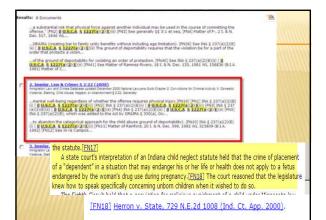
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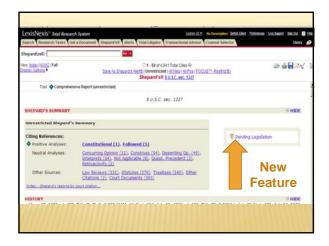


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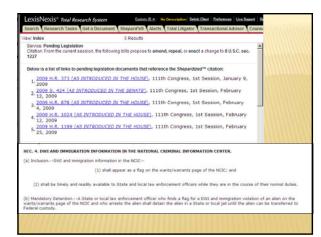














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ONLINE RESOURCES

- * ABA Commission on Immigration Policy, Practice and Pro Bono http://www.abanet.org/immigration/
- * The American Immigration Law Foundation
- * American Immigration Lawyers Association
- Center for Immigration Studies http://www.cis.org
- Heiros Gamos http://www.hg.org/immigration-law.html

MORE ONLINE RESOURCES

- The Federation for American Immigration Reform (FAIR) <u>http://www.fairus.org/</u>
- Immigration and Ethnic History Society <u>http://www.iehs.org/</u>
- National Immigration Forum http://www.immigrationforum.org

GENERALLY TRY...

- * Professional Organizations
- × Government Sites
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 - + Law Library Web Pages
 - Institutes of Continuing Legal Education
 - Law Review & Journal Sites

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