

**LIBRARY NEWS AND NOTES from Mary Rice, Circuit Court Law Library
June 2006**

Many thanks to Mudd, Mudd & Fitzgerald for the 2005 Martindale-Hubbell set, now shelved in large room, right side, lower shelves near door.

GIVEAWAYS: (contact librarian)

Legal malpractice / by Ronald E. Mallen and Jeffrey M. Smith. 5 vols., West Group, 2000, with 2003 pocket parts.

Martindale-Hubbell set, 2004.

Maryland Attorney General announced a new living will form on May 30, 2006. The new advance directive form is more user-friendly and allows for more flexibility in medical decision-making by the health care agent. The form is optional and all existing advance directives are still valid. Read the press release and view the form at:

<http://www.oag.state.md.us/press/2006/053006a.htm>

Maryland General Assembly 2006-List of passed legislation, organized by topic and sub-topic, posted on law library bulletin board in Xerox room. See the General Assembly website for details.

<http://www.mlis.state.md.us/>

SELECTED NEW PUBLICATIONS—All new publications are initially shelved on telephone table in Xerox room unless otherwise noted.

Charles County Animal Regulations—Nov. 20, 2003. See librarian. Also available online with Calvert and St. Mary's regulations at:

<http://www.charlescounty.org/es/animalcontrol/regulations/index.htm>

OR

<http://tinyurl.com/fam5o>

How to collect consumer debts-quickly and legally in Maryland-National Business Institute, 2005. Large room, Maryland section.

Practical guide to zoning and land use law in Maryland-National Business Institute, 2005. Large room, Maryland section.

The complete guide to divorce practice : forms and procedures for the lawyer by Larry Rice, 3rd ed., American Bar Association, 2005.

The criminal lawyer's guide to immigration Law: questions and answers by Robert James McWhirter, American Bar Association, 2005.

The military divorce handbook : a practical guide to representing military personnel and their families by Mark E. Sullivan, American Bar Association, 2006.

ONLINE RESOURCES

Federal Sentencing Guidelines-Amended--The U.S. Sentencing Commission's website provides Amendments to the Sentencing Guidelines, Policy Statements, and Official Commentary (May 1, 2006) in PDF at:

<http://www.ussc.gov/>

CIA Factbook on Intelligence-- This extensive resource on the Central Intelligence Agency is now available online in a free searchable version at:

<http://www.asksam.com/ebooks/CIAFactbook/>

Contact U.S. Government-FirstGov has a listing of links to U.S. Government Telephone and E-mail Directories for elected officials, agencies, federal and military employees, questions about the federal government, to name a few, at:

<http://www.firstgov.gov/Contact/Directories.shtml>

Contact the Federal Judiciary--The U.S. Judiciary has made it easier to locate information on the Federal courts by providing this search site where you can use a simple form to:

Contact a Federal Court Near You

Mailing Address and Phone Number

E-Mail the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts

<http://www.uscourts.gov/contact.html#courtlocator>

<http://tinyurl.com/oj8fo>

Legal News for Practitioners—A quick way to keep up with legal news. From the website: "Meta Novus is the umbrella site for a headline syndicator....A syndicator is a web portal which pulls together multiple news/content sources into a single page...[the subsite] Juris Novus features law headlines, organized by subject matter. There are three subsites, Classic Blogs (Law Professor Edition), Practitioner Blogs, and Student Blogs. Here is the link to the Law Practitioner Blogs:

http://juris.metanovus.com/practitioner_blogs/

Special Education Law Blog—From the website: "A special education legal resource discussing case law, news, practical advocacy advice, and developments in state and federal statutes and regulations. Postings include insight and sometimes humor from Charles P. Fox, a Chicago, Illinois attorney who is also a parent of child with special needs, and other guest authors."

<http://specialedlaw.blogs.com>

Bird Flu--The U.S. State Department has an extensive set of links to information on avian influenza (bird flu) at:

<http://fpc.state.gov/fpc/c17753.htm>

Online Reference Tools—Bartleby.com has one of the most exhaustive collections of authoritative, free reference tools online: reference, verse, fiction and nonfiction, including the Columbia Encyclopedia, the American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language, Bartlett's and other quotation collections, the King James Bible, Oxford Shakespeare, Gray's Anatomy, and Strunk's Elements of Style, to name a few.

<http://www.bartleby.com/>

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