This toolkit is intended to provide a reference guide to Kentucky legal materials for public librarians. Public librarians are encouraged to contact a law library for further assistance.

1. State Constitution

   • The *Kentucky Constitution* is found in Volume 1 of the official versions of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, published by West (Baldwin’s) and Lexis (Michie’s).
   • *Kentucky Constitution* (Legislative Research Commission online version) [http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legresou/constitu/intro.htm](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/legresou/constitu/intro.htm)

2. State Statutes

   • The *Kentucky Revised Statutes* (KRS) are published by West (Baldwin’s) and Lexis (Michie’s).
   • *Kentucky Revised Statutes* (KRS) (Legislative Research Commission online version) [http://www.lrc.ky.gov/Statutes/index.aspx](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/Statutes/index.aspx)

3. State Session Laws

   • Bound volumes of the *Kentucky Acts* contain final laws of a General Assembly session arranged in chronological order and are produced by the Legislative Research Commission.
   • *Kentucky Acts* (Legislative Research Commission online version) [http://www.lrc.ky.gov/acts/mainacts.htm](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/acts/mainacts.htm)

4. State Administrative Code

   • *Kentucky Administrative Regulations* (KAR) (Legislative Research Commission online version) [http://www.lrc.ky.gov/kar/titles.htm](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/kar/titles.htm)
   • *Administrative Register of Kentucky* (Legislative Research Commission online version) [http://www.lrc.ky.gov/kar/contents/2014/04register.htm](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/kar/contents/2014/04register.htm)
5. Municipal Codes

- Contact appropriate clerk’s office. Print and online availability varies and changes frequently.
- Some codes available online at Municode: http://www.municode.com/Library/KY

6. State Jury Instructions

- *Kentucky Instructions to Juries, 5th ed. Civil.* William S. Cooper and John S. Palmore; Revised by Donald P. Cetrulo (2013)
- *Kentucky Instructions to Juries, 5th ed. Criminal.* William S. Cooper and John S. Palmore; Revised by Donald P. Cetrulo (2013)

7. State Forms

- Online: Forms are available for free from the Kentucky Judicial Branch website at http://courts.ky.gov/resources/legalforms/Pages/default.aspx
- Bucknam, Kevin P. *Caldwell’s Kentucky Form Book.* Matthew Bender, LexisNexis.
- Wyatt, Tarrant & Combs. *Kentucky Forms & Transactions.* West

8. State Legal Encyclopedia

*West’s Kentucky Practice Series,* West. Multi-volume set covering several specific areas of law.

9. State Cases

- *South Western Reporter.* 1886 – present. West
- *West’s Kentucky Decisions.* Thomson Reuters. 1886 – present. (reprints from South Western Reporter)
10. State Digest:

- *Kentucky Digest 2d.* 1930 – present. West
- *Kentucky Digest.* 1785 – 1985. West

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12. Kentucky Law Libraries

**Eastern Kentucky University Law Library**
103 Libraries Complex
Main Library, Room 316
521 Lancaster Ave.
Richmond, KY 40475
(859) 622-1793
http://library.eku.edu/law

**Fayette County Law Library**
Room C357 (Third Floor)
120 N. Limestone St.
Lexington, KY 40507
(859) 246-2143

**James O. Overby Law Library**
Murray State University
100 Pogue Library
Murray, KY 42071
(270) 809-6758

**Jefferson County Public Law Library**
514 West Liberty, Suite 240
Louisville, KY 40202
(502) 574-5943
Kentucky Department of Libraries and Archives
300 Coffee Tree Road
Frankfort, KY 40601
(502) 564-8300

Kentucky State Law Library
State Capitol, Suite 200
700 Capital Avenue
Frankfort, KY 40601
(502) 564-4848

Legislative Reference Library
Capitol Annex, Room 27
Frankfort, KY 40601
(502) 564-8100

Salmon O. Chase College of Law Library
Northern Kentucky University
Nunn Hall
Highland Heights, KY 41099
(859) 572-6484

University of Kentucky Law Library
620 South Limestone Street
Lexington, KY 40506
(859) 257-8131

University of Louisville Law Library
2301 S. Third Street
Louisville, KY 40292
(502) 852-6392

13. Federal Depository Libraries in Kentucky

A current list of federal depository libraries in Kentucky is available at:
http://catalog.gpo.gov/fdlpdir/FDLPdir.jsp?flag=searchp&st_12=KY
14. Bar Associations

- Northern Kentucky Bar Association: [https://www.nkybar.com/](https://www.nkybar.com/)
- Louisville Bar Association: [https://www.loubar.org/](https://www.loubar.org/)
- Fayette County Bar Association: [http://www.fcba.com/](http://www.fcba.com/)

15. Links to Pathfinders / Research Guides

- University of Kentucky Law Library: [http://library.law.uky.edu/home/researchguides](http://library.law.uky.edu/home/researchguides)
- University of Louisville Law Library: [https://www.law.louisville.edu/library/research-guides](https://www.law.louisville.edu/library/research-guides)