A Sample of Suggested Readings


For additional recommended texts, see:

Online Resources for Providing Service

General Resources
Criminal Defense Lawyer published by Nolo
www.criminaldefenselawyer.com
Nolo website providing extensive legal information on criminal law and procedure. See also the general Nolo site, www.nolo.com, for a wide variety of related topics.

Prisoner Resources
List of Law Libraries Serving Prisoners (AALL SR-SIS)
www.aallnet.org/sections/sr/residents/Prisoner-Letter-Database.html

The Jailhouse Lawyers Handbook
(Center for Constitutional Rights and the National Lawyers Guild)
www.jailhouselaw.org
Resource for prisoners on bringing civil rights claims alleging violation of constitutional rights in prison or jail.

Prison Activist Resource Center (PARC) Prisoner Resource Directory
www.prisonactivist.org
For educators, activists and prisoners and their families, with a resource directory of organizations nationwide that deal with prison related issues.

Prisoners’ Rights – Legal Information Institute – Cornell University
www.law.cornell.edu/wex/prisoners_rights

Prisoners’ Rights - FindLaw
civilrights.findlaw.com/other-constitutional-rights/prisoners-rights.html

“Know Your Rights” Guides
Midnight Special Law Collective
www.midnightspecial.net/materials/kyr.html
Includes guides on police encounters and trainer materials that teach people how to give know-your-rights training.

National Lawyers Guild
www.nlg.org/resource/know-your-rights
“Know Your Rights” pamphlet (available in multiple languages) with basic information on encounters with the police.

Collateral Consequences Resource Center
ccresourcecenter.org/resources-2/restoration-of-rights/
National restoration of rights materials and state-specific guides to restoration of rights, pardon, sealing and expungement.

Local Resources
Many local organizations provide regular or one-off clinics, particularly for expungement. Check area law schools and your local pro bono committee or Access to Justice Commission. Look for National Pro Bono Week celebration activities in October every year (www.celebrateprobono.org).