

SOUTH DAKOTA

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Authentication	Yes	No	No	No	N/A	No
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Online Preservation	No	No	No	No	N/A	No
(Notes)						
Permanent Public Access	No	No	No	No	N/A	No
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UELMA Adopted	No					
Universal Citation Adopted	Yes. South Dakota has adopted a public domain citation format for South Dakota Supreme Court decisions. See South Dakota Rules of Civil Procedure §15-26A-69.1 South Dakota has adopted a citation format for Administrative Rules per SDCL 1-26A-7.					

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Public Law Libraries	Website	Phone	Email	Provide Services to Inmates?
South Dakota Supreme Court Law Library 500 E Capitol Pierre, South Dakota 57501	https://ujs.sd.gov/uploads/sc/SCLawLibrary.pdf	605-773-4898	N/A	No
McKusick Law Library University of South Dakota School of Law 414 E. Clark Street Vermillion, SD 57069	https://www.usd.edu/Academics/Libraries/McKusick-Law-Library	605-658-3525	LLibrary@usd.edu	Yes