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The Living Will Registry

Pursuant to the 2006 Laws of Washington, Chapter 108, the Washington State Department of Health created the Washington State Living Will Registry. It is a secure, online database that allows you to store your living will documents including:

- Health Care Directive
- Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care
- Mental Health Advance Directive
- Physician Orders for Life Sustaining Treatment (POLST)

These documents give you the ability to record your medical decisions if you are unable to communicate your end-of-life treatment wishes. Only authorized health care providers may access and view your documents in the registry. It also stores your emergency contact information so that family and next of kin can be contacted. And, best of all, it's free to all Washington State residents. The Washington State Living Will Registry website can be found at: <http://www.doh.wa.gov/livingwill/>

Other resources regarding living wills:

Laws: [RCW 11.94](#), [RCW 70.122](#), [RCW 71.32](#)

Washington State Medical Association (WSMA) websites on Advance Directives and POLST
http://www.wsma.org/patient_resources/advance-directives.cfm
http://www.wsma.org/patient_resources/polst.cfm

Association of Washington Public Hospital Districts website on End of Life resources
http://www.awphd.org/resources_endoflife.asp
(some Spanish language forms available)

Questions and Answers on Living Wills
<http://www.washingtonlawhelp.org/documents/1543019501EN.pdf?stateabbrev=/WA/>

Books Recently Cataloged Selections:

[Legal Research Explained](#), by Deborah E. Bouchoux, Aspen Publishers, 2008
Call #: KF240.B683 2008

[Arbitrary Justice: the Power of the American Prosecutor](#), by Angela J. Davis, Oxford University Press, 2007
Call #: KF9640.D38 2007

[How & When to Sue Your Lawyer: What you Need to Know](#), by Robert W. Schachner, Square One Publishers, c2005
Call #: KF313.S32 2005

[The Divorce Sourcebook](#), by Dawn Bradley Berry, McGraw-Hill, 2007
Call #: KF535.B379 2007

[Fundamentals of Health Law](#), by Barry D. Alexander ... [et al.], American Health Lawyers Association, 2008.
Call #: KF3821.F87 2008

[The Closest Governments to the People: a complete reference guide to local government in Washington State](#), by Steve Lundin, Division of Governmental Studies and Services, Washington State University, 2007
Call #: JS451.W25L85 2007

[Nursing Malpractice](#), compiled and edited by Patricia W. Iyer...[et al.], Lawyers and Judges Pub. Co., c2007
Call#: KF2915.N83N8 2007

[Helping Inmates Obtain Federal Disability Benefits](#), U.S. Dept. of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, National Institute of Justice, [2007]
Call#: HV9304.H4 2007

Tech. Tips:

HeinOnline's YouTube Channel

Access to the HeinOnline database is available at the Washington State Law Library. In March 2008, HeinOnline launched its YouTube Channel where, according to its website, "you can find how-to videos for the various HeinOnline collections, general searching and navigating videos, as well as other useful tips and tricks for using the HeinOnline interface." You can access HeinOnline's YouTube Channel at: <http://www.youtube.com/HeinOnline08>.

Washington Pattern Jury Instructions Public Website

Free public access to the Washington Pattern Jury Instructions is being provided as a one-year pilot project between the Washington Pattern Instructions Committee and Thomson/West Publishing. The one-year period will end April 2009. The Pattern Jury Instructions are available at: <http://government.westlaw.com/linkedslice/default.asp?SP=WCCJI-1000>

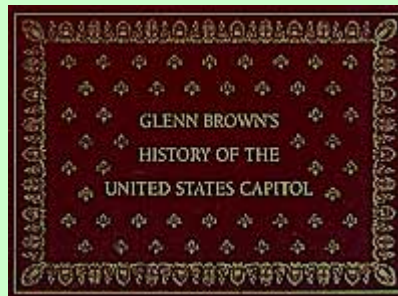
New Website for Children and Families Dealing with Incarceration and Re-Entry

A new free resource is available for families of incarcerated parents. DSHS and the Department of Corrections collaborated with the Children and Families of Incarcerated Parents Advisory Committee to create a Web page with good information and resources to help families of incarcerated persons keep in touch with their loved one, care for their children, and keep the family safe and healthy. The website can be found at: <http://www.dshs.wa.gov/incarcerated/>

Other News:

New Government Documents

The Washington State Law Library receives selected government documents through its participation in the Federal Depository Library Program. The library recently acquired House Document No. 108-240, [*Glenn Brown's History of the United States Capitol*](#), prepared by the Architect of the United States Capitol for the United States Capitol Preservation Commission.



This annotated edition was published in commemoration of the bicentennial of the United States Capitol. It is available online at: <http://www.gpoaccess.gov/serialset/cdocuments/hd108-240/index.html>

On Display in the Main Reading Room

We are often asked "What is the oldest book in the library?" [*The Newe Greate Abredgement*](#), c1551, is believed to be the oldest book in the Law Library's collection and is currently on display in the Main Reading Room. It is an abridgment of English law under King Henry VIII.

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