

Locating Information about Current and Former Louisiana Judges

Have you ever needed to locate historical biographical information about judges who served or are currently sitting on Louisiana courts? There are many resources available in the Law Library to help with your research.

BOOKS:

Reserve KFL 508 .G85 2000

Guide to the Louisiana Judiciary – listings and photos of judges currently sitting on the Supreme Court, Courts of Appeal, District Courts, and Parish and City Courts. An older edition from 1995 is shelved in the stacks.

Reference F 368 .D53 1988

Dictionary of Louisiana Biography – fairly detailed entries about notable Louisiana residents.

F 369 .L894 vol. 13

An Uncommon Experience : Law and Judicial Institutions in Louisiana, 1803-2003 – contains reprints of seminal articles on Louisiana legal history. The volume is indexed.

KF 332 .L6 S7

Reports of the State Bar of Louisiana – annual report from one of two bar associations in the 1930s. Library has 1934/1935.

KF 332 .L61, KF 332. L612

Report of the Louisiana State Bar Association – contains committee reports, addresses by member attorneys, active member lists, and obituaries. Library has 1898/99-1952. Title varies throughout the years.

KF 332 .L613

Annual Report / Louisiana State Bar Association – library has 1983-1992 and 1998-1999.

KF 334 .N4 B4 1970

Bench and Bar of the New Orleans Area : Pictorial Roster

KF 334 .N4 B7

Briefly Speaking – newsletter of the New Orleans Bar Association. Library has 1990-2005.

KF 354 .L6 L63

Biographies of Louisiana Judges – basic biographical information about judges in Louisiana courts. The library has 1961, 1965, 1971, 1977, and 1985.

KF 354 .L6 R4 1922

Reference Biography of the Louisiana Bench and Bar – biographical information about members of the Louisiana Bench and Bar in 1922.

KFL 45 .B5

The Historic Rules of the Supreme Court of Louisiana, 1813-1879

KFL 78 .F54 1973

The Louisiana Supreme Court, 1812-1846 : Strangers in a Strange Land

KFL 401.6 .S55 S33 1994

Slavery, the Civil Law, and the Supreme Court of Louisiana

KFL 512.Z9 L5 1964

The Sesquicentennial of the Supreme Court of Louisiana, 1813-1963

KFL 512.Z9 S58 2007

The Chief Justices of Louisiana : Life Sketches – biographical information about each Chief Justice, from Mathews to Calogero, by the library's own Janice Shull.

Spec. Coll. KFL 45.7 .B68 1983

The First Minute Book of the Supreme Court of the State of Louisiana, 1813 to May, 1818 : an Annotated Edition

Spec. Coll. KFL 512.Z9 A5 1958

Dedication of the Louisiana Supreme Court Building ; the Sesquicentennial of the

Civil Code of Louisiana, 1808-1958

Spec. Coll. KFL 512.Z9 B5 2004

The Louisiana Supreme Court : an Historical Guide (by the library's own Carol Billings and Janice Shull)

The library also owns some materials about individual judges, so be sure to consult the catalog.

OTHER RESOURCES:

Ref. KFL 45 .A21

Front matter of the Louisiana Reports and Louisiana Cases, So. 2d – Published in the front matter of the reporters are transcripts of memorials, inductions, and retirement ceremonies. The library has an index of judges who appear in the front matter through 2002. Beyond that, the names of judges who are the subject of such ceremonies appear on the spine of the reporter volumes, which makes it possible to browse.

Ref. JK 1010 .U5 2005

Biographical Directory of the United States Congress – useful biographical information if the judge also served in Congress. The directory is searchable online at <http://bioguide.congress.gov/biosearch/biosearch.asp>.

In addition, one can run a search on the free Westlaw available on the library's public access terminals or in LoisLaw to find cases and opinions involving a particular judge.

Since August 1988, each issue of the *Louisiana Bar Journal* (shelved in Periodicals and available online at <http://www.lsba.org/2007Publications/louisianabarjournal.asp>) includes a column entitled "Judicial Notes." The column provides information about new judges, appointments, retirements, and deaths.

If the judge served in the military, from the War of 1812 to the Vietnam War, military records should exist for the period of service.

The library owns the complete run of the *Times-Picayune* from 1837 to the present on microfilm. The *Times-Picayune* is a source for contemporary news reports, obituaries, and death notices.

New Orleans Public Library maintains a searchable *Times-Picayune* obituary index. It is available at <http://obits.gno.lib.la.us/nopl/obitindex.htm>.

Stop by the Reference Desk or call us at 504-310-2515 or toll free in Louisiana at 800-820-3038 if you need assistance with using these resources.

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