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# **HeinOnline Newsletter**

Where Online Research Leads to Discovery

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## **HeinOnline is on FIRE!**

Highlights since our last newsletter :

- Nearly **1,200 journals** are now participating, with more than **800** now available in the Law Journal Library;
  - Our Law Journal Library has now surpassed **600,000 articles** spread throughout more than **21,000 volumes** of material;
- In total, there are nearly **19.3 million pages** available throughout the entire *HeinOnline* collection;
- Two new library modules have been added to *HeinOnline*: the U.S. Federal Legislative Histories Library and the U.S. Statutes at Large Library;
- HeinOnline subscribers span over 150 countries, comprising nearly 3,400 locations that now have access to the world's largest image-based legal research collection;
- Based on National Law Journal's 28th Annual Survey of the Nations' Largest Law Firms on www.law.com, 100% of the Top 50 law firms and 92% of the Top 100 law firms in the United States now subscribe to *HeinOnline*;
- In 2005 alone, *HeinOnline* registered almost 46 million hits an average of 126,027 hits every day!!

We are pleased to present the current issue of the *HeinOnline* newsletter, designed to keep our subscribers and other researchers up-to-date with the latest developments regarding *HeinOnline*, the world's largest and fastest-growing, image-based legal research collection.

This newsletter is conveniently available in both hardcopy and electronic format. You can find an electronic copy at <u>http://heinonline.org</u> or simply contact us for additional paper copies. As always, we welcome your feedback, which can be sent to <u>marketing@wshein.com</u>.

### **Newest Library Modules**

Earlier this year we were pleased to announce our newest library modules, the **U.S. Federal Legislative Histories Library** and the **U.S. Statutes at Large Library**. In addition to the new content provided to *HeinOnline* subscribers, both new libraries utilize **Lucene** searching, a tremendous enhancement to the current searching found in other *HeinOnline* library modules. Here's more information on our newest library modules:

#### **<u>U.S. Federal Legislative Histories Library</u>**

Contained in this unique collection's first release, researchers will find complete federal legislative histories on such landmark Acts as the:

- Legislative History of the Securities Act of 1933 and Securities Exchange Act of 1934
- North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA)
- USA Patriot Act
- Civil Rights Act of 1991 and much more!

In addition to the federal legislative histories listed above, this new library module also includes a unique federal legislative history finding aid. The "Sources of Compiled Legislative Histories" database in *HeinOnline* is derived from the looseleaf publication, *Sources of Compiled Legislative Histories: A Bibliography of Government Documents, Periodical Articles, and Books* by Nancy P. Johnson. Her acclaimed work, which is part of the American Association of Law Libraries Publications Series, includes compilations for major laws that impact a majority of Americans. The sources for these compilations include Congressional documents, legal periodicals, treatises and looseleaf services. This resource will prove to be extremely useful in locating the original source of a compiled federal legislative history, as well as assisting in further research into a particular Act.

#### **U.S. Statutes at Large Library**

The *United States Statutes at Large*, commonly referred to as the Statutes at Large, is the official source for the laws and resolutions passed by the U.S. Congress. Publication began in 1845 by the private firm of Little, Brown and Company under authority granted by a joint resolution of Congress. In 1874, Congress transferred the authority to publish the Statutes at Large to the Government Printing Office, which has been responsible for producing the set since that time.

Every law, public and private, ever enacted by the Congress is published in the Statutes at Large in order of the date of its passage. Until 1948, all treaties and international agreements approved by the Senate were also published in the set. In addition, the Statutes at Large includes the text of the Declaration of Independence, Articles of Confederation, the Constitution, amendments to the Constitution, treaties with Native Americans and foreign nations, and presidential proclamations.

Within *HeinOnline's* Statutes at Large library collection, researchers may browse by volume, popular name, Indian Treaty, or "Other Treaty", which refers to the treaties entered into between the United States and another country.

### http://heinonline.org

### Hein Digital Services for Libraries

It is with great pleasure that we announce the newest service from the experts at *HeinOnline*:

### **Hein Digital Services for Libraries**

The Modern Link to Your Legal History

- Are you planning to digitize your unique collections into an **<u>image-based</u>**, **<u>fully</u>** <u>**searchable format**</u>, but not sure how or where to begin?
- From the smallest rare book to the largest unique collection at your library— we're here to help every step of the way with consulting, production, hosting, access/control, and preservation services.
- Our expertise has converted over **100,000,000** images! Over **100 years of combined experience** awaits you and your staff!

As a *HeinOnline* subscriber, you've watched *HeinOnline* grow from a concept into reality. From just 25 legal periodicals in 2000, *HeinOnline* now contracts with nearly 1,200 journals, and includes core US government documents such as the US Federal Register, US Treaties, US Reports, and more. In addition, our *Legal Classics Library* stands second-to-none in document quality.

Now, as libraries begin to evaluate ways to bring their own unique historical collections to their university population or the world, *HeinOnline* is here to help and share our expertise.

**Why choose Hein?** We're the experts when it comes to preservation and digitization of legal materials. We've been preserving rare document collections from all over the world since the 1960s. From reprinting, to microfiche, to *HeinOnline*, we've successfully delivered high-quality documents to the research community for over 35 years. With our experience and state-of-the-art equipment and technology, we understand how to scan based on document type and we can recommend the most cost-effective approach to document conversion.

**ACT TODAY!!** As the process of digitizing historical works is a very delicate and extensive process, we are limited to the number of projects we can accept each year. Please contact **Scott Fiddler** for more information at **(800) 828-7571 ext. 127** or **sfiddler@wshein.com**.

### **HeinOnline Trivia Contest Results**

When we recently announced our new library modules, we also conducted a small trivia contest. The correct answer to the question, "Which library was the first to subscribe to HeinOnline?" is NYU Law Library.

Congratulations to Samantha Williams of the Center for Science in the Public Interest in Washington, DC, who was the first to correctly respond. We are issuing a \$100 credit to the Center for winning the contest, and \$25 credit memos to all who took the time to respond.

#### **HeinOnline Posters**

We recently sent out a message to our HeinOnline listserv members announcing that *HeinOnline* posters were available free of charge to anyone who requested them.

To date, nearly 800 posters have been requested! Please rest assured that we are in the process of getting them mailed to all who have requested them up to this point, but if you have not, we still have posters available. Simply email us at marketing@wshein.com for your free posters.

Thank you for your interest, and perhaps some of you will send us a digital picture once you post them in your library?!

Would you like to be updated with the latest announcements and additions to HeinOnline? Please join our *HeinOnline* listserv by visiting the following link: http://lists.washlaw.edu/mailman/listinfo/heinonline.



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