Colorado Practice Materials

Resource Checklist
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Every year, summer associate and law clerks join firms, courts and government attorney offices for several intensive weeks of practical legal work filled with complex research problems that need to be solved. Though the Colorado Association of Law Libraries will not be holding our annual Bridge the Research & Analysis Gap (BRAG) research training program for summers this year, we offer this list of Colorado practice materials as guidance which we hope will help. It includes hyperlinks to online resources and lists of important treatises which may be found in your library or from online legal vendors. If you aren’t blessed with a law librarian in your organization, the final pages offers some “do-it yourself” resource guides and contact information for local law libraries with librarians who are happy to help. CoALL wishes you all a productive and satisfying summer!

Primary Sources

Statutes/Codes

Colorado Revised Statutes (LexisNexis)
www.lexisnexis.com/hottopics/colorado/

West’s Colorado Revised Statutes Annotated

Colorado Municipal Government Codes
www.municode.com/Library/CO

Code of Colorado Regulations (Colorado Administrative Code) (Official version)
www.sos.state.co.us/CCR/Welcome.do

Colorado Register
www.sos.state.co.us/CCR/RegisterHome.do

Colorado Agencies
cdn.colorado.gov/government/government/state-agencies.html
Attorney General Formal Opinions
www.coloradoattorneygeneral.gov/ag_opinions/index

Governor’s Executive Orders
www.colorado.gov/dpa/doit/archives/ (Previous Governors via Colorado State Archives)

Case Decisions
West's Colorado Reporter
West's Pacific Reporter
West's Federal Reporter
West's Federal Supplement
US 10th Circuit Court of Appeals Opinions
www.ca10.uscourts.gov/clerk/opinions.php

Colorado US District Court Opinions

Colorado Supreme Court Opinions
www.cobar.org/opinions/index.cfm?CourtID=2

Colorado Court of Appeals Opinions
www.cobar.org/opinions/index.cfm?CourtID=1

Court Rules
Colorado Court Rules: State
www.lexisnexis.com/hottopics/colorado/sendSearch.asp?source=146242&tocdisplay=on

Colorado Court Rules: Federal

Colorado Revised Statutes
Lexis: Last 2 Volumes / West: Volumes 4-6 for civil procedure rules; other rules located with code sections

Colorado Rules of Evidence Annotated

Digests/Citators
West's Colorado Digest
West's Pacific Digest

Secondary Sources

Colorado Practice Series
Vol 1-3A Methods of Practice
Vol. 1A Colorado Business Corporation Act and Article 90 Deskbook
Vol 4-5  Civil Rules Annotated
Vol 5A  Colorado Handbook on Civil Litigation
Vol 6  Civil Trial Practice
Vol 7-8A  Personal Injury Practice: Torts and Insurance
Vol 9-10  Creditors' Remedies, Debtors' Relief
Vol 11-13  Civil Procedure Forms & Commentary
Vol 14-15  Criminal Practice and Procedure
Vol 16  Colorado Employment Law and Practice
Vol 16A  Colorado Employment Law and Practice Handbook
Vol 17  Colorado Workers' Compensation Practice and Procedure
Vol 18  Colorado Appellate Law and Practice
Vol 19-20  Colorado Family Law and Practice
Vol 21  Colorado Family Law and Practice Handbook
Vol 22  Colorado Handbook on Evidence
Vol. 23  Colorado Evidence Law
Vol 24  Colorado Elder Law

Topic-Specific Materials

Construction Law

Colorado Liens and Claims Handbook
Jack Greenwald

Forms & Substance – Specialized Agreements for the Construction Project
Carina Y. Ohara, et al.

J. Cullen Howe and Michael B. Gerrard

Practitioner's Guide to Colorado Construction Law
Robert E. Benson

Residential Construction Law in Colorado -
Ronald M. Sandgrund et al.

Corporations/Business Law

Colorado Business Corporation Act Deskbook
Cathy Krendl

Colorado Business Organizations & Forms
John E. Moye

Colorado Corporate Forms
John E. Moye

Colorado Secured Transactions Under Revised Article 9 of the UCC: Forms and Practice Manual
John L. McCabe & Arthur H. Travers

Practitioner's Guide to Colorado Business Organizations
Allen E.F. Rozansky & E. Lee Reichert

Criminal Law

Colorado DUI Benchbook
Elder Law/Estate Planning

Colorado Estate Planning Handbook
David K. Johns et al.

Colorado Law of Wills, Trusts, and Fiduciary Administration
James R. Wade

Colorado Probate System
James R. Wade

Elder Law in Colorado
John J. Campbell & D. Wayne Stewart

Fundamentals of Colorado Trust Practice: Counseling Clients, Drafting Trusts, and Building a Successful Practice
Carol A. Payne

L. William Schmidt

The Green Book: Selected Colorado Materials on Wills, Estate, Trusts & Taxes
David K. Johns et al.

The Orange Book: Colorado Estate Planning Forms
Estate Planning Forms Committee

Employment/Labor Law

Colorado Employment Law and Practice
John R. Paddock

Practitioner's Guide to Colorado Employment Law
Sean R. Gallagher et al.

Workers' Compensation Practice and Procedure
Douglas R. Phillips & Susan D. Phillips

Family Law

Colorado Family Law and Practice
Frank L. McGuane, Jr., Kathleen A. Hogan

Colorado Family Law Deskbook with Forms
Richard A. Harris et al

Practitioner's Guide to Colorado Domestic Relations Law
Gretchen L. Aultman

Insurance Law

Colorado Automobile Accident Litigation & Insurance Handbook
Gregory R. Giometti & Bruce Kaye
Landlord-Tenant Law

Rights and Obligations: Colorado Landlord-Tenant Law from the Perspective of a Tenant Advocate
Manuel Ramos & Continuing Legal Education in Colorado

Natural Resources Law

Colorado Water Law Benchbook
Carrie L. Ciliberto et al

Environmental Regulation of Colorado Real Property
Stephen A. Bain

Public’s Water Resource: Articles on Water Law, History and Culture
Justice Greg Hobbs

Vranesh’s Colorado Water Law
James N. Corbridge and Teresa A. Rice, editors

Personal Injury Law

Colorado Automobile Litigator’s Handbook
Gregory R. Giometti et al.

Handbook of Colorado Wrongful Death Law
Gregory R. Giometti et al.

Personal Injury Practice: Torts and Insurance
John W. Grund, J. Kent Miller, David Werber

Real Estate/Property Law

Colorado Community Association Law: Condominiums, Cooperatives, and Homeowners Associations
Douglas S. MacGregor

Colorado Quiet Title Actions
Geoffrey P. Anderson

Colorado Real Estate Basics
John K. Stovall

Colorado Real Estate Forms
Beverly J. Quail

Colorado Real Estate Manual
Colorado Division of Real Estate & Colorado Department of Regulatory Agencies

Colorado Real Property Law
George E. Reeves

Colorado Title Insurance Practice
Willis V. Carpenter

Commercial Leasing in Colorado: A Practical Guide
Beat U. Steiner & Edyn E. Jessup
Public Trustee Foreclosure in Colorado
Robert A. Holmes

Residential Real Estate Closings in Colorado
Victor M. Grimm

Colorado Liens and Claims Handbook
Jack Greenwald

Taxation

Colorado Taxation
www.colorado.gov/cs/Satellite/Revenue/REVX/1184834145361

Colorado Tax Reporter

Litigation Materials

Civil Procedure

Civil Procedure Forms and Commentary
Debra Knapp

Civil Rules Annotated

Discovery: A Handbook for Colorado Practitioners
William H. Remine & Continuing Legal Education in Colorado

Westlaw eForms

Trial Practice

Civil Trial Practice
David R. DeMuro

Colorado Causes of Action: Elements, Defenses, Remedies, and Forms
Douglas S. MacGregor et al

Colorado Civil Motions Practice
Eric B. Liebman

Colorado Civil Pretrial Handbook
Mary Price Birk

Colorado Courtroom Handbook for Civil Trials
Victoria C. Swanson et al

Colorado Handbook on Civil Litigation
Stephen A. Hess

Colorado Litigation Forms and Analysis
Richard W. Laugesen

Evidence

Colorado Evidence Courtroom Manual
Arthur Best et al.
Colorado Evidence Handbook
Victoria C. Swanson

Colorado Evidence Law (vol. 23 of the Colorado Practice Series)
Sheila Hyatt

Colorado Evidentiary Foundations
Roxanne Bailin et al

Colorado Rules of Evidence Annotated
Ethan A. Jacobson and Alan H. Bucholtz

Colorado Rules of Evidence With Objections
William G. Meyer et al.

Jury Instructions

Colorado Jury Instructions for Civil Trials
Colorado Supreme Court Committee on Civil Jury Instructions & Continuing Legal Education in Colorado

Colorado Jury Instructions 4th, Civil
Colorado Supreme Court Committee on Civil Jury Instructions

Colorado Jury Instructions, Criminal
Colorado Supreme Court Committee on Criminal Jury Instructions

Appellate Procedure

Colorado Appellate Handbook
Janice B. Davidson & Continuing Legal Education in Colorado

Colorado Appellate Law and Practice – (vol. 18 of the Colorado Practice Series)
Leonard P. Plank & Anne Whalen Gill

Annual Surveys

Annual Survey of Colorado Law (Colorado Bar Association)

Annual Tenth Circuit Survey (DU Law Review)
www.law.du.edu/index.php/denver-university-law-review

Professional/Practice Publications

Colorado Lawyer – password required; check with your librarian for access.
www.cobar.org/tcl

Denver Business Journal
www.bizjournals.com/denver

The Docket (Denver Bar Association)
www.denbar.org/docket

Law Week Colorado
www.lawweekonline.com

Jury Verdict Reporter of Colorado - Weekly print summaries of Colorado jury verdicts
www.jvrc.com/default/index.cfm
Court Resources

U.S. Court of Appeals for the 10th Circuit
www.ca10.uscourts.gov

U.S. Courts for the Districts of Colorado
www.cod.uscourts.gov

Colorado State Judicial Branch
www.courts.state.co.us

Colorado Supreme Court
www.courts.state.co.us/Courts/Supreme_Court/Index.cfm

Colorado Court of Appeals
www.courts.state.co.us/Courts/Court_Of_Appeals/

Colorado Trial Courts
- By County
www.courts.state.co.us/Courts/County/Choose.cfm
- By District
www.courts.state.co.us/Courts/District/Choose.cfm

Colorado Water Courts
www.courts.state.co.us/Courts/Water/

Colorado Chief Justice Directives
www.courts.state.co.us/supct/directives/

Integrated Colorado Courts E-filing System (ICCES)
www.courts.state.co.us/Administration/Unit.cfm?Unit=efile

PACER – Federal court case dockets and documents
pacer.psc.uscourts.gov

Justia – Federal court cases, includes some dockets and documents for free
dockets.justia.com/

LexisNexis CourtLink – Federal & select state court dockets & documents (Includes dockets for all CO state courts)
www.courtl ink.com

File & ServeXpress – Select state court documents, including Colorado
fileandservexpress.com

Professional Resources

Books

Colorado Attorney's Professional Liability Handbook
Robin L. Beattie

Colorado Ethics Handbook
Colorado Bar Association, Ethics Committee

Lawyer’s Professional Liability in Colorado: Preventing Legal Malpractice and Disciplinary Actions
Michael T. Mihm & Continuing Legal Education in Colorado

Practitioner’s Guide to the Attorney-Client Privilege and the Work Product Doctrine
Thomas E. Spahn
Websites

Colorado Bar Association
www.cobar.org

Colorado Criminal Defense Bar
www.ccdb.org

Colorado Trial Lawyers Association
www.ctlanet.org

Denver Bar Association
www.denbar.org

Women’s Bar Association
www cwba.org

Colorado State Government

Colorado: A Practical Guide to its Government and Politics
Roger Alan Walton

Colorado’s Government
Robert S. Lorch

Colorado Politics and Policy: Governing a Purple State
Thomas E. Cronin & Robert D. Loevy

State of Colorado
www.colorado.gov

Colorado General Assembly
www.leg.state.co.us

A Citizen’s Guide to Colorado State Government
tinyurl.com/ColoCitizensGuide

Colorado Legal History

“A Jurisdictional History of the Colorado Courts”

From Guns to Gavels: A History of the Federal Territorial and Districts Courts of Colorado
John L. Kane & Sharon Marks Elfenbein

The Colorado Court of Appeals: History of Colorado’s Intermediate Appellate Court
Jeannie Towle Melinger & Molly Wingate

Prestatehood Legal Materials: a fifty-state research guide
Michael Chiorazzi & Marguerite Most, editors

The Colorado State Constitution: A Reference Guide
Dale A. Oesterle & Richard B. Collins

“The Colorado Bar Association: A Brief History”
“Histories of Selected Colorado Courts”

Research Resources

Colorado Law Libraries

**Colorado Supreme Court Library**, 720-625-5100, [library@judicial.state.co.us](mailto:library@judicial.state.co.us)  
cscl.colibraries.org/

**US Tenth Circuit Library**, 303-844-3591  

**Colorado Legislative Council Library**, 303-866-4011  
[www.state.co.us/gov_dir/leg_dir/lcsstaff](http://www.state.co.us/gov_dir/leg_dir/lcsstaff)

**National Indian Law Library**, 303-447-8760  
[www.narf.org/nill/index.htm](http://www.narf.org/nill/index.htm)

**University of Colorado William A. Wise Law School Library**, 303-492-3522, [lawref@colorado.edu](mailto:lawref@colorado.edu)  
[www.colorado.edu/law/lawlib/](http://www.colorado.edu/law/lawlib/)

**University of Denver, Westminster Law Library**, 303-871-6206  
[law.du.edu/library](http://law.du.edu/library)

Online Library Catalogs

**Colorado Supreme Court Library** – Not included in Prospector catalog below  
cscl.softlinklibrary.net/liberty/libraryHome.do

**Colorado Virtual Library** – service of the Colorado State Library  
[www.coloradovirtuallibrary.org/](http://www.coloradovirtuallibrary.org/)

**Denver Public Library** – Not included in Prospector catalog below  
catalog.denverlibrary.org/

**Prospector** – searchable unified catalog of material in Colorado and Wyoming libraries  
[prospector.coalliance.org](http://prospector.coalliance.org)

**WorldCat** – searchable unified catalog of books and other materials in thousands of libraries worldwide.  
[www.worldcat.org](http://www.worldcat.org)

Research Guides

**Colorado Legal Resources : An Annotated Bibliography**  
Robert C. Richards, Jr. and Barbara Bintliff

**Colorado Legal Research**  
Robert M. Linz

**Legal Research Corner (CoALL)**  
[www.aallnet.org/chapter/coall/pubs/lrc.asp](http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/coall/pubs/lrc.asp)

**Colorado Bar Association: Legal Research Links**  
[www.cobar.org/hotlinks.cfm](http://www.cobar.org/hotlinks.cfm)
Colorado Supreme Court Library Research Resources
cscl.colibraries.org/research-resources

CU Law Library Research Tools
www.colorado.edu/law/lawlib/research_resources/

DU Law Library Research Page
www.law.du.edu/index.php/library/research