

How to Research and Compile Legislative Histories

Searching for Legislative Intent

This full-day course explores effective, professional methods for locating and compiling legislative histories of federal laws.

Our faculty demonstrate and discuss:

- Various document types necessary to research and compile legislative histories including enacted laws, bills and resolutions, floor debates and committee reports with a focus on federal legislative history research methodologies
- The fastest ways to find and use print and online documents
- Professional secrets and tips



WiFi Classroom: You will have a "hands-on" opportunity to follow our faculty and navigate the Internet with one of our laptop computers (first 20 registrants to sign in at program).

Leadership Competencies emphasized in this course:

External Awareness • Technology Management



This is an elective course for the Certificate in Communication and Advocacy.

Topics

- Introduction and Overview
- Overview of Web Resources
- Statutory and Code Research
- Bills, Resolutions, and Committee Reports
- Floor Debates
- Hearings, Committee Prints, Congressional Documents, Senate Executive Reports and Executive Documents, House and Senate Journals, Calendars, CIS
- Case Studies—Working Examples
- Conclusion and Questions

Our research courses are available for custom on-site training on GSA Advantage® as 1- to 3-day programs, and can be tailored to emphasize legislative, legal, regulatory, business, or factual research.

**Contact us for details:
703-739-3790, ext. 112.**



Approved for .6 CEUs from George Mason University.

Course manual includes our Legislative History Reference and Research Tools handout.

Time and Date

9:00 am to 5:00 pm

• June 20, 2012

See web site for course location in Washington, DC.

Registration Fee: \$595

To register, fax or mail completed registration form on inside back cover, or online.

"Great course ... merging traditional research with up-to-date technological research methods."

"Very well done. Case studies and examples helpful."

"[Faculty] are incredibly experienced and authoritative."

"This was definitely a useful course. It will be an excellent resource when I am called upon to do this kind of work."

"I track bills on my job and now can get more involved in tracking the history."

Related Training:

- Advanced Legislative Strategies
- Congressional Dynamics and the Legislative Process
- How to Find, Track, and Monitor Congressional Documents: Going Beyond Thomas
- Research Tools and Techniques: Refining Your Online and Offline Searches
- Congress in a Nutshell
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