

**172.100 County law library -- Location -- Books -- Electronic access -- Online legal resources.**

- (1) A county law library shall be established in each county seat and the fiscal court of each county shall designate sufficient room in the courthouse, in a building of good construction adjacent to the courthouse, in the local public library, or in a building where sessions of the District or Circuit Court are regularly held, or a combination of the foregoing, where such library shall be located and where the books and materials of the library may be safely kept.
- (2) The books of the county law library shall consist of all volumes belonging to the state heretofore sent to the various county officials directed by law to receive such books, and all volumes hereafter sent to such library by the state, and all books now owned or hereafter acquired by the county for the library. Where required to be provided by law, the state may provide electronic access to books and legal resources in lieu of bound volumes. The counties may provide online legal resources, including access and subscriptions to computer-assisted legal research facilities and the related infrastructure required to access the internet, and may acquire books, maps, computers and related equipment, or other articles for the library by purchase, gift, or devise.

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