LIST OF LEXIS, WESTLAW, & INTERNET FILES

New members of the Court staff get fresh versions of the Lexis, WestLaw and Internet software, without any embedded or favorite files. This is a list of those files which are most likely to be used for your official duties:

{NOTE: The Court now uses LEXIS.COM, instead of Lexis application software. The filenames used here for Lexis & WestLaw are from the application software; on the internet versions the same files can be found by selecting from their lists of database files. While WESTLAW.COM (and the WestLaw application software) keep a list of Favorite files, LEXIS.COM keeps a list of the last 20 files you used. When using LEXIS.COM and WESTLAW.COM, remember that the typeface and margins are controlled by your internet browser settings.}

LEXIS WESTLAW INTERNET

Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims, Court of Veterans Appeals

genfed; cva fmil-va http://www.vetapp.uscourts.gov/search.htm

Federal Circuit Court

genfed;cafc ctaf http://www.ll.georgetown.edu:80/Fed-Ct/cafed.html

[note: The Internet file has only full (published) decisions, not short dispositions, in the typescript form issued by the Fed. Cir, which our computers translate from Word to WordPerfect, sometimes with unintended typographic effects.]

US Code

genfed;usc usca http://uscode.house.gov/usc.htm

[note: for just Title 38, internet has http://uscode.house.gov/title 38.htm]

The Lexis & WestLaw versions tend to include the casenotes from USCS or USCA]

Code of Federal Regulations

genfed;cfr cfr http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/

[note: for just Title 38, internet has

http://www.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/cfrassemble.cgi?title=200138

the URL should have the year number for the most recent July followed by 38]

Federal Register

genfed; fedreg fr http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/aces/aces140.html

US Statutes [this is used for very recent items, perhaps not yet in the US Code] genfed; publaw us-pl http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/nara005.html

LEXIS WESTLAW INTERNET

US Supreme Court

genfed;usled sct http://supct.law.cornell.edu/supct/

[note: The Internet file had only full decisions, not short dispositions such as cert. denied; so far, the only CVA-originated case in the Internet file is the 1994 Gardner decision]

All Federal Courts

genfed; courts allfeds http://www.ll.georgetown.edu:80/Fed-Ct/

[note: WestLaw files contains decisions since 1945, for earlier decisions use allfeds-old; the internet collection is probably much more limited (e.g., since 1985 and only published decisions, for most courts)]

All State Courts

states; courts all states

[note: WestLaw file contains decisions since 1945, for earlier decisions use allstates-old]

All Federal & States Courts

mega;newer allcases

[note: These files are cases since 1945. For all cases on Lexis use mega; mega.

For decisions on WestLaw issued before 1946, use allcases-old]

Law Journals

lawrev; allrev jlr http://www.lawreview.org

http://www.usc.edu/dept/law-lib/legal/journals.html

[note: Lexis & WestLaw coverage of law journals begins ca. 1982; internet begins ca. 1992. WestLaw puts all footnotes at end of article, Lexis puts footnotes at end of each paragraph.]

advice on using Bluebook citation manual:

http://www.law.cornell.edu/citation/citation.table.html

advice on using other citation styles:

http://bailiwick.lib.uiowa.edu/journalism/cite.html

Consumer Price Index (CPI):

a list of recent months' CPI-Urban averages can be found at:

http://stat.bls.gov/bls_news/archives/cpi_nr.htm

V.A. General Counsel Precedent Opinions:

miltry;vaopgc fmil-vagc http://www.va.gov/OGC/opinions/default.asp

All-Purpose V.B.A. website including links to 38 CFR, M21-1 and other VA Manuals, etc.:

http://vba-arms.intecwash.navy.mil

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