

# WI Law Libraries Open to the Public: Part I

## MADISON

### WI State Law Library

**OPEN 8-5 M-F**

**(608)266-1600**

**1-800-322-9755 Toll Free**

On the web: <http://wilawlibrary.gov/>

Reference Desk: **(608) 267-9696**

Email: [wsl.ref@wicourts.gov](mailto:wsl.ref@wicourts.gov)

Fax: **(608) 267-2319**

Located in the Risser Justice Center  
120 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Madison, WI 53703

*Staff:* 10 (includes full and part-time)

*Services to the Public:* A partial Federal Depository Library. Reference & research assistance in person or via phone or email; photocopying for a small fee; sales of legal and court forms; free in-house access to the Internet and legal research databases, including Westlaw; use of collection in the library only; hands-on legal research classes; library tours by appointment; document delivery service (prepayment required); special outreach programming and instructional opportunities throughout the year.

*Publications:* [WSLL @ Your Service](#), a monthly newsletter.

[Library Catalog](#)

### Dane County Law Library

**OPEN 8:30-4:30 M-F**

**(608) 266-6316**

On the web:

<http://wilawlibrary.gov/about/locations.html>

Email: [mailto:dclrc.ref@wicourts.gov](mailto:mailto:dclrc.ref@wicourts.gov)

Fax: **(608) 266-5988**

Located in the Dane County Courthouse  
215 S. Hamilton Street, Room L1007  
Madison, WI 53703

*Staff:* 2 (includes full and part-time)

*Services to the Public:* Reference and research assistance in person or via phone or email; photocopying for a small fee; sales of legal and court forms; use of the collection in the library only, specialized collections for self-represented litigants, as well as access to a drug court collection and selected local court decisions; free in-house access to the Internet and legal research databases, including Westlaw; legal research classes for the public; courthouse tours by appointment; special outreach and instructional opportunities throughout the year.

*Publications:* [Low-cost Legal Assistance in Dane County](#), a guide to agencies and resources providing legal help; [Dane Co Landlord/Tenant Legal Resource Guide](#), a directory of state and local legal resources to help landlords and tenants with their legal questions.

[Library Catalog](#)

### Univ. of WI-Madison Law Library

**OPEN Varying Hours, check the library website**

**(608) 262-1128**

On the web: <http://library.law.wisc.edu/>

Reference Desk: **(608) 262-3394**

Email reference available through the website

Fax: **(608) 262-2775**

Located on the campus of UW-Madison

975 Bascom Mall

Madison, WI 53706

*Staff:* 25 (includes full and part-time)

*Services to the Public:* A partial Federal Depository Library. Reference Assistance available during hours listed on website in person, via phone, by email or chat. Public can use the print collection in the library and borrow materials with a UW Memorial Library card or apply for a Law Library card with current photo ID and Wisconsin address. The card will be mailed to verify the address, but up to three items may be checked out while the Law Library card application is pending. Photocopies can be made for a small fee. Free Internet access in the library for legal research purposes only.

*Publications:* [Law Library News](#) and [WisBlawg](#), a legal blog regarding WI legal news and resources.

[Library Catalog](#)

## MILWAUKEE

### Milwaukee County Law Library

**OPEN 8-4:30 M-F**

**(414) 278-4900**

On the web:

<http://wilawlibrary.gov/about/locations.html>

Fax: **(414) 223-1818**

Located in the Milwaukee County Courthouse

901 North 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Room G8

Milwaukee, WI 53233

*Staff:* 5 (includes full and part-time)

*Services to the Public:* Reference and research assistance in person or via phone; photocopying for a small fee; use of collection

in the library only; sales of legal and court forms; free in-house Internet access and legal research databases, including Westlaw; special outreach programming and instructional opportunities throughout the year.

[Library Catalog](#)

### Marquette University Ray & Kay Eckstein Law Library

**OPEN Varying Hours, check the library website**

**(414) 288-7092**

On the web: <https://law.marquette.edu/law-library/eckstein-law-library>

Reference Desk: **(414) 288-3837**

Email reference available through the website

Fax: **(414) 288-5914**

Located on the campus of Marquette Univ.

Eckstein Hall, 1215 West Michigan Street,  
Milwaukee, WI 53201

*Staff:* 26 (includes both full and part-time)

*Services to the Public:* Users must register at the lobby desk upon entering Eckstein Hall by signing in and showing a picture identification card. Access to the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> floors of Eckstein Hall, including library materials, is restricted after 4:00 p.m. during the week and all day on weekends. To access library materials on these floors, see a library assistant at the circulation desk during staffed hours. Reference & research assistance is available during hours listed on website in person, via phone, or by email. Public can use the print collection in the library only. Free in-house access to the Internet and legal research databases for legal research purposes only. Photocopies for a small fee.

[Library Catalog](#)

### Federal District Court of WI: Eastern District Law Library

**OPEN 8:30-5:00 M-F**

**(414) 297-1698**

Fax: **(414) 297-1698**

Located in the US Courthouse, Room 516

517 E Wisconsin Ave

Milwaukee, WI 53202

*Staff:* 2 (includes full and part-time)

*Services to the Public:* Limited reference service; photocopying; Public can use the collection in the library only; collection features titles especially for Federal Court.

**Note:** Part I includes only staffed law libraries open to the public. Part II lists other law libraries that are open to the public, but do not provide staff assistance.

# Law Libraries Open to the Public, Part II

## **Adams County Law Library**

Hours: 8-4:30 M-F

Location: Second Floor, Adams County Courthouse, 400 Main Street, Friendship, WI 53934  
Internet access; Loislaw; printing for a fee; limited print collection of WI primary materials

## **Ashland County Law Library**

Hours: 8-4 M-F

Location: Room 304, 201 W Main Street, Ashland, WI 54806

Limited print collection of WI primary materials with a few secondary materials

## **Bayfield County Law Library**

Hours: 8-4 M-F

Location: Main Floor, 117 E 5th St, Washburn, WI 54891

Westlaw; 25¢/pg to print; limited print collection of WI primary materials with a few secondary sources

## **Brown County**

Hours: 8-4:30

Location: Room 140, Courthouse, 100 S Jefferson St, Green Bay, WI 54301

Internet access; print access to WI statutes and case law

## **Buffalo County**

Hours: 8-4:30 M-F

Location: 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Courthouse, 407 2nd St S, Alma, WI 54610

Internet access; print access to WI statutes and case law

## **Clark County Law Library**

Hours: 8-4:30 M-F

Location: Room 409, Courthouse, 517 Court St, Neillsville, WI 54456

Limited print collection of WI primary materials; Clerk's Office has information on free legal clinic sponsored by Clark County Bar Association once per month

## **Dane County Legal Resource Center: see Part I**

## **Dodge County Law Library**

Hours: 8-4:30 M-F

Location: 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Dodge Co Justice Facility, 210 W Main St, Juneau, WI 53037

Internet access to legal research resources; Lexis

## **Douglas County Law Library**

Hours: 8-12 and 1-4:30 M-F

Location: Room 307, Courthouse, 1313 Belknap St, Superior, WI 54880

Westlaw; printing available but must bring own paper; limited print collection of WI primary materials

## **Eau Claire County Law Library**

Hours: 8-5 M-F

Location: 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, 721 Oxford Avenue, Eau Claire, Wisconsin 54703

Internet access for research purposes only, WestlawNext; moderate print collection of primary and secondary sources; Clerk's Office has information on free legal clinic sponsored by Eau Claire County Bar Association once per month

## **Florence County Law Library**

Hours: 8:30-4 M-F

Location: Courthouse, 501 Lake Ave, Florence, WI 54121

Limited print collection of WI primary materials

## **Fond du Lac County Law Library**

Hours: 8-4:30 M-F

Location: 2<sup>nd</sup> floor North, Courthouse, 160 S Macy St, Fond du Lac, WI 54936

Internet access; Loislaw; moderate print collection of WI primary and secondary sources; Family Court clinic available on certain days

## **Forest County Law Library**

Hours: 8:30-4:30 M-F

Location: 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Courthouse, 200 E Madison St, Crandon, WI 54520

Westlaw; limited print collection

## **Grant County Law Library**

Hours: 8-4:30 M-F

Location: 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, Courthouse 130 W Maple St Lancaster, WI 53813

Internet access; Westlaw; limited print collection of WI primary materials

## **Green County Law Library**

Hours: 8-4:30 M-F

Location: First floor, Green County Justice Center, 2841 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Monroe, WI 53566

Limited print collection of WI primary materials

## **Iowa County Law Library**

Hours: 8:30-4:30 M-F

Location: 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Courthouse, 222 N Iowa St, Dodgeville, WI 53533

Moderate print collection of WI primary and some secondary materials

## **Iron County Law Library**

Hours: 8-4 M-F

Location: 2<sup>nd</sup> floor; Courthouse, 300 Taconite St, Hurley, WI 54534

Moderate print collection of WI primary and some secondary materials

## **Jackson County**

Hours: 8-4:30 M-F

Location: Courthouse, 307 Main St, Black River Falls, WI 54615

Limited print collection of WI primary materials; resources are in a judge's office; users must take materials to a conference room for review.

## **Jefferson County Law Library**

Hours: 8-4:30 M-F

Location: Room 115, Courthouse, 320 S Main St, Jefferson, WI 53549

Print collection of WI primary materials

## **Juneau County Law Library**

Hours: 8-4:30 M-F

Location: Adjacent to the Clerk of Court's Office, 200 Oak Street, Justice Center, Mauston, WI 53948

Moderate print collection of WI primary and some secondary sources

## **La Crosse County Law Library**

Note: The county funds Westlaw WI resources, State Bar of Wisconsin online Books UnBound resources and print legal resources at La Crosse Public Library; no resources in the courthouse. Clerk's Office also has information on Family Law Information Center in courthouse on certain days

## **Lafayette County Law Library**

Hours: 8-4:30 M-F

Location: 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Courthouse, 626 Main St, Darlington, WI 53530

Limited print collection of WI primary materials

## **Langlade County Law Library**

Hours: 8:30-4:30 M-F

Location: Room 201, Courthouse, 800 Clement St., Antigo, WI 54409

## **Manitowoc County Law Library**

Hours: 8:30-4:30 M-F

Location: Room B-6, Courthouse, 1010 S 8th St, Manitowoc, WI 54221

Internet access, Lexis; printing available for a fee; significant print collection of primary and secondary sources

## **Marinette County Law Library**

Hours: 8:30-4:30 M-F

Location: Room C047 (Basement) and C208, Courthouse 1926 Hall Ave, Marinette, WI 54143

Limited print collection of WI primary materials and some secondary materials

**Marquette County Law Library**

Hours: 8-4:30 M-F  
 Location: 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Courthouse, 77 W Park St,  
 Montello, WI 53949  
 Limited print collection of WI primary materials

**Milwaukee Legal Resource Center—  
see Part I****Monroe County Law Library**

Hours: 8-4:30 M-F  
 Location: 3<sup>rd</sup> floor Courthouse, 112 S Court St,  
 Sparta, WI 54656

**Oconto County Law Library**

Hours: 8-4 M-F  
 Location: Courthouse, 301 Washington St, Oconto,  
 WI 54153  
 Internet access

**Oneida County Law Library**

Hours: 8-4:30 M-F  
 Location: 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, Courthouse, 1 Courthouse  
 Square, Rhinelander, WI 54501  
 Limited print collection of WI primary materials

**Ozaukee County Pro Se Center**

Hours: 8-5 M-F  
 Location: Room 202, Courthouse, 1201 S Spring  
 St, Port Washington, WI 53074  
 Internet access; 25¢/pg to print; limited print  
 collection with WI statutes and administrative code  
 and some pro se materials and secondary  
 materials; Family Law Assistance Center available  
 once per week to obtain legal information (no legal  
 advice)

**Pepin County Law Library**

Hours: 8:30-4:30 M-F  
 Location: Government Center, 740 7th Ave W,  
 Durand, WI 54736  
 Limited print collection of WI statutes and case and  
 limited secondary material

**Pierce County Law Library**

Hours: 8-5 M-F  
 Location: 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Courthouse, 414 W Main St,  
 Ellsworth, WI 54011  
 Limited print collection of WI primary materials;  
 Clerk's Office has information on free legal clinic  
 sponsored by Pierce County Bar Association  
 offered once per month

**Price County Law Library**

Hours: 8-4:30 M-F  
 Location: Room 204, Courthouse, 126 Cherry St,  
 Phillips, WI 54555  
 Westlaw; \$.25/pg to print; limited print collection of  
 WI primary materials

**Racine County Law Library**

Hours: 8-4:45 M-F, but closed 12 – 1 on Tuesdays  
 and Thursdays  
 Location: 8<sup>th</sup> floor, Courthouse, 730 Wisconsin Ave,  
 Racine, WI 53403  
 Limited print collection of WI primary materials

**Rock County Law Library**

Hours: 8-5 M-F  
 Location: 4<sup>th</sup> floor, Courthouse, 51 S Main St,  
 Janesville, WI 53545  
 Internet access, Westlaw

**St. Croix County Law Library**

Hours: 8-5 M-F  
 Location: Government Center, 1101 Carmichael St,  
 Hudson, WI 54016  
 Internet access; print access to WI statutes and  
 administrative code; Clerk's Office has information  
 on free legal clinic offered by St. Croix County Bar  
 Association once per month

**Taylor County Law Library**

Note: The county funds Westlaw and assists with  
 purchasing new equipment at Medford Public  
 Library; no resources in the courthouse

**Trempealeau County Law Library**

Hours: 8-4:30  
 Location: 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Courthouse, Whitehall, WI  
 54773  
 Internet access for legal research; Westlaw and  
 Lexis; moderate print collection of WI primary law  
 and some secondary materials

**Vernon County Law Library**

Hours: 8:30-4:30 M-F  
 Location: 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Courthouse, Viroqua, WI 54665  
 Limited print collection of WI primary materials

**Vilas County Law Library**

Hours: 8-4 M-F  
 Location: 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Courthouse, 330 Court St,  
 Eagle River, WI 54521  
 Loislaw; limited print collection of WI primary  
 materials

**Washburn County Law Library**

Hours: 8-4:30 M-F  
 Location: 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Courthouse, 10 W 4th Ave,  
 Shell Lake, WI 54871  
 Limited print collection of WI primary materials

**Waukesha County Law Library**

Hours: 8-4:30 M-F  
 Location: Room 330 Administration Building, 515  
 W. Moreland Blvd., Waukesha WI, 53188 (print  
 resources); Electronic resources, forms, and other  
 assistance is located at the county's family law self-  
 help center in the Courthouse, Room C-112, 515  
 W. Moreland Blvd., Waukesha WI, 53188, or [online](#).  
 Clerk's Office has information on Family Law Clinic  
 available by appointment

**Waupaca County Law Library**

Hours: 8-4 M-F  
 Location: 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, Courthouse, 811 Harding St,  
 Waupaca, WI 54981  
 Limited print collection of WI primary materials

**Winnebago County Law Library**

Hours: 8-4:30 M-F  
 Location: Room 340, Courthouse, 415 Jackson Dr.,  
 Oshkosh, WI 54903  
 Loislaw, 25¢/pg to print; Clerk's Office has  
 information on Legal Assistance Clinic sponsored  
 by Winnebago County Bar Association three times  
 per month at various locations

**Wood County Law Library**

Hours: 8-4:30 M-F  
 Location: Courthouse, 400 Market St, Wisconsin  
 Rapids, WI 54495  
 Internet Access, \$1.25/pg to print

**Note:**

Loislaw, Westlaw, and Lexis are commercial legal  
 research systems that provide access to a variety of  
 resources, such as caselaw, statutes, codes, and rules,  
 through searchable databases.

Part II lists courthouses that provide legal resources to the  
 public, but no staff assistance. Part I lists law libraries that  
 are open to the public and provide staff assistance with  
 resources.

THESE COUNTIES HAVE NO LEGAL RESOURCES  
 AVAILABLE FOR THE PUBLIC IN THE COURTHOUSE  
 AND NO ARRANGEMENT TO PROVIDE RESOURCES  
 THROUGH OTHER MEANS:

Barron	Dunn	Rusk
Burnett	Green Lake	Sauk
Calumet	Kenosha	Shawano
Chippewa	Marathon	Sheboygan
Columbia	Menominee	Walworth
Crawford	Richland	Waushara
Door		



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