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Introduction

Animal law addresses legal issues pertaining to the **rights and welfare of animals**. It encompasses companion animals, agricultural animals, wildlife, and animals used in research. In addition to traditional treatises and law review articles, legal scholarship on animal law often draws on research from interdisciplinary fields such as animal behavior, psychology, sociology, or criminal justice studies.



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ISBN: 070061172X
Publication Date: 2002-06-01
<http://scholar.csuohio.edu/record=b1743289-S0>
- Animal law in a nutshell by Pamela D. Frasch
Call Number: KF390.5.A5 A75 2011 (Reference & A066)
Publication Date: 2011
<http://scholar.csuohio.edu/record=b2558125-S0>
- Animal Rights Law by Margaret C. Jasper
Call Number: KF3841.Z9 J37 2002 (Atrium)
ISBN: 0379113635
Publication Date: 2001-11-30
<http://scholar.csuohio.edu/record=b1760559-S0>
- Animals and the Law by Jordan Curnutt
ISBN: 1576071472
Publication Date: 2001-11-02There is also an [ebook available](#)
- Animals as Persons by Gary L. Francione
Call Number: K3620 .F73 2008 (Base Level)
ISBN: 9780231139502
Publication Date: 2008-06-10
<http://scholar.csuohio.edu/record=b2221546-S0>
- Animals, International Law, International Trade, and Morality by Thomas
Call Number: K3620 .K45 2011 (Base Level)
ISBN: 9789041133380
Publication Date: 2011-02-28
<http://scholar.csuohio.edu/record=b2616592-S0>
- Animals, Property, and the Law by Gary L. Francione; William M. Kunstler (Foreword by)
Call Number: KF3841 .F73 2005 (Atrium)
Publication Date: 1995-05-01
<http://scholar.csuohio.edu/record=b2062681-S0>
- Litigating Animal Law Disputes by Joan E. Schaffner
Call Number: KF390.5.A5 L58 2009 (Atrium)
ISBN: 9781604420012
Publication Date: 2009-06-16
<http://scholar.csuohio.edu/record=b2299798-S0>
- The Endangered Species Act at Thirty by J. Michael Scott (Editor); Dale D. Goble (Editor); Frank W. Davis (Editor)
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- Unleashed Fury by Julie Walsh
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- Why Animals Matter by Erin E. Williams
Call Number: HV4764 .W55 2007
ISBN: 9781591025238
<http://scholar.csuohio.edu/record=b2028931-S0>
- Wildlife Law by Raj Panjwani
Call Number: K3525 .W53 2008 (Base Level)
ISBN: 9781604420227
Publication Date: 2008-08-22
<http://scholar.csuohio.edu/record=b2185323-S0>
- A New Perspective: Seeking Justice for Animals through the Power of Law by National Anti-Vivisection Society
Call Number: KF390.5 .A5 2008 (Atrium)
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- Dangerous Dog Laws and Procedural Due Process: Part 1
<http://www.cali.org/lesson/8842>
This lesson is an introduction to the basics of dangerous dog laws and is the first part in a series of three lessons that examines their interaction with the Fourteenth Amendment's procedural due process requirement. This lesson does not require any prior knowledge of animal laws or dangerous dog laws. While some general knowledge of due process might be helpful, it is not necessary or required.
- Dangerous Dog Laws and Procedural Due Process: Part 2
<http://www.cali.org/lesson/8854>
This lesson is part 2 in a series examining dangerous dog laws and their interaction with the Fourteenth Amendment's procedural due process requirement, specifically void-for-vagueness challenges. This lesson does not require any prior knowledge of animal laws or dangerous dog laws. While some general knowledge of due process might be helpful, it is not necessary or required.
- Dangerous Dog Laws and Procedural Due Process: Part 3
<http://www.cali.org/lesson/8900>
This lesson examines dangerous dog laws and their interaction with the Fourteenth Amendment's procedural due process requirement. It is the final lesson in a series of three examining this part of the law. This lesson does not require any prior knowledge of animal laws or dangerous dog laws. While some general knowledge of due process might be helpful, it is not necessary or required.
- Puppy Mills and the Animal Welfare Act
<http://www.cali.org/lesson/1195>
This tutorial will provide an overview of the regulation of commercial dog breeders pursuant to the Animal Welfare Act. This lesson is a beginner level tutorial. No prior knowledge of the Animal Welfare Act or commercial breeders or other special knowledge is needed for this lesson.

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Cases, Statutes & Regulations

Case Law

Several of the **major animal law sites** track case law, and organize reported cases into useful topics, such as cruelty cases, landlord tenant, humane slaughter or pet damages. Useful websites include:

- Animal Legal & Historical Web Center
<http://www.animallaw.info/>
- Animal Law.com
<http://www.animallaw.com/case.cfm>
- National AgLaw Reporter
<http://www.nationalaglawcenter.org/reporter/>
animals in agriculture
- National Agricultural Law Center
<http://www.nationalaglawcenter.org/>
animals in agriculture

Case Search Tips

When searching for animal law cases in **LexisNexis and Westlaw**, try using synonyms in an "or" search to expand your results.

For example:

- (dog or canine) /10 "expert witness"
- (cat or feline) /20 research

Federal Regulations & Legislation



- Code of Federal Regulations - Titles on Animal Law:
- Title 7 - Agriculture

http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-idx?sid=86af5812e75eb0e9a3c9f5ca38dabc49&c=ecfr&tpl=/ecfrbrowse/Title07/7tab_02.tpl

- Title 9 - Animals and Animal Products
http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-idx?sid=86af5812e75eb0e9a3c9f5ca38dabc49&c=ecfr&tpl=/ecfrbrowse/Title09/9tab_02.tpl
- Title 50 - Wildlife and Fisheries
http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-idx?sid=86af5812e75eb0e9a3c9f5ca38dabc49&c=ecfr&tpl=/ecfrbrowse/Title50/50tab_02.tpl
- Important Acts for Federal Animal Legislation:
 - Animal Welfare Act of 1970
<http://awic.nal.usda.gov/public-law-91-579-animal-welfare-act-amendments-1970>
 - Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972
<http://www.law.cornell.edu/uscode/text/16/chapter-31>
 - Endangered Species Act of 1973
<http://www.fws.gov/laws/lawsdigest/esact.html>
 - Humane Methods of Slaughter Act of 1978
<http://www.animallaw.info/statutes/stusfd7usca1901.htm>

Websites for Animal Law Legislation

National and international animal law legislation is **readily available online**. Several sites have fifty-state surveys of animal cruelty laws, including the ASPCA. Comprehensive animal law collections are available from:

- ASPCA
<http://www.aspc.org/>
American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals
- Animal Law.com
<http://www.animallaw.com/LawSearch.cfm>
- Animal Legal & Historical Web Center
<http://www.animallaw.info/policy/pocnindex.htm>
- Digest of Federal Resource Laws
<http://www.fws.gov/laws/lawsdigest/ResourceLaws.html>
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
Includes a broad listing of wildlife laws

Ohio Legislaton

[Title 9](#) of the *Ohio Revised Code* covers agriculture and animals. Ohio's regulations relating to agriculture and animals can also be found in [Chapter 901](#) of the *Ohio Administrative Code*.

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- Ohio Revised Code - Title 9 (Agriculture & Animals)
<http://codes.ohio.gov/orc/9>
- Chapter 903 - Concentrated Animal Feeding Facilities
<http://codes.ohio.gov/orc/903>
- Chapter 945 - Humane Slaughter of Livestock
<http://codes.ohio.gov/orc/945>
- Chapter 959 Offenses Relating to Domestic Animals
<http://codes.ohio.gov/orc/959>

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Blogs & Current Awareness

Blogs



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Need to find a **paper topic**? Reading blogs can get you up to speed on what's hot, and can point you in the direction of statutes, bills, regulations, and case law. Blogs often feature commentary from lawyers, advocates, scholars and other experts in the field.

Animal law blogs are popping up all over the Web. Some of the best are:

- Animal Law Blog
<http://animallawonline.blogspot.com/>
A practitioner from Illinois writes this groundbreaking blog - a first for animal law.
- Florida Animal Law Blog
<http://www.floridaanimallaw.com/>
Full coverage from the Sunshine State

ALDF (Animal Legal Defense Fund) Blog

- [Legally Brief: Animal Law Conference](#)
- [Victory for Oregon's First-Ever Dedicated Animal Cruelty Prosecutor: Jake Kamins](#)
- [A Bad Boutique Law Shows Its Skin](#)
- [High Court Leaves California Foie Gras Ban Undisturbed, as ALDF's Campaign Continues](#)
- [ALDF-Los Angeles](#)
- [An Open Letter to the University of Wisconsin-Madison](#)
- [Big Win for Hens as Judge Dismisses Challenge to California's Prop 2](#)

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Current Awareness - NY Times Topics

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In addition to following blogs, the [New York Times Topics](#) feature is another way to stay up-to-date on specific issues in animal law. Times Topics gathers all the NYT news on a topic, so it acts as both a **current awareness tool** as well as an **archived news source**.

Times Topics covers hundreds of topics, but here are few of particular interest to animal law researchers:

- Cruelty to Animals
http://topics.nytimes.com/top/reference/timestopics/subjects/c/cruelty_to_animals/index.html
- Dogs
<http://topics.nytimes.com/top/news/science/topics/dogs/index.html>
- Endangered and Extinct Species
http://topics.nytimes.com/top/news/science/topics/endangered_and_extinct_species/index.html
- Factory Farming
http://topics.nytimes.com/top/reference/timestopics/subjects/f/factory_farming/index.html
- Humane Society of the United States
http://topics.nytimes.com/top/reference/timestopics/organizations/h/humane_society_of_the_united_states/index.html
- Pet Food Recall
http://topics.nytimes.com/top/reference/timestopics/subjects/p/pet_food_recall/index.html
- Poultry
<http://topics.nytimes.com/topics/reference/timestopics/subjects/p/poultry/index.html>
- Veterinary Medicine
http://topics.nytimes.com/topics/news/science/topics/veterinary_medicine/index.html
- Whales & Whaling
http://topics.nytimes.com/top/news/science/topics/whales_and_whaling/index.html

Animal Blawg

- [Ebola Scare for Pets](#)
- [Cosmetics testing on animals: Do you know as much as an 8th grader?](#)
- [What's in a name? – Animals can now be victims too, but what does this mean?](#)
- [No country for old bears](#)
- [Predator derby document issued; comments due soon!](#)
- [Equal Justice Works Animal Law Fellowships](#)
- [Oxford Center for Animal Ethics Call for Papers](#)

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Journal & Law Review Articles

Specialized Journals

Researchers can find articles on animal law in **standard law reviews** and in **specialized publications**. For help searching law reviews generally, try our guide on [Finding Law Review and Journal Articles](#) - it will lead you to the best full-text databases and indexes. The major specialized journals are listed below. Interdisciplinary journals such as the *Journal for Critical Animal Studies* or the *Journal of Applied Animal Welfare Science*, can add a new perspective to your law paper.

- Animal Law - K1 .N4575 (Base Level)

<http://scholar.csuohio.edu/record=b1613429-S0>

Northwestern School of Law of Lewis and Clark College. See their yearly Federal and State Legislative Review. Available in Lexis, Westlaw, HeinOnline and in print. You can also browse the [table of contents](#).

- Journal of Animal and Natural Resources Law
<https://scholar.csuohio.edu/record=b2484895-S0>
Michigan State University, College of Law. Available through HeinOnline (2005- present).
- Journal of Animal Law & Ethics - K10.O833 (Base Level)
<http://scholar.csuohio.edu/record=b1886372-S0>
University of Pennsylvania Law School. Available in Lexis, [HeinOnline](#) and in print.
- Journal of International Wildlife Law & Policy
<https://scholar.csuohio.edu/record=b2692823-S0>
Available in Expanded Academic ASAP and Academic OneFile
- Journal for Critical Animal Studies
<http://www.criticalanimalstudies.org/journal-for-critical-animal-studies/>
- Journal of Applied Animal Welfare Science
<https://scholar.csuohio.edu/record=b2686191-S0>
Available electronically via Academic Search Complete & OhioLink
- European Food and Feed Law Review
<https://scholar.csuohio.edu/record=b2684357-S0>
Available electronically through HeinOnline, Academic Search Complete, and Legal Collection.

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Research Guides & Bibliographies

Didn't find what you're looking for in this guide? Below are some **other research guides** on animal law on the Web. They focus on statutes, case law, secondary sources, and international aspects of animal law.

What about **bibliographies**? They may seem old school, but they can save you loads of time researching. Bibliographies are usually compiled by librarians and other research junkies. They list, and often include brief summaries of, journal articles, books, and other sources on a specific topic.

Check out the following guides and bibliographies:

- Animal Law Research Guide
<http://www.ll.georgetown.edu/guides/AnimalLaw.cfm>
Georgetown University Law Center
- Animal Law: A Selective Bibliography and Research Guide
<http://www.law.gonzaga.edu/files/AnimalLaw.pdf>
Gonzaga University
- Animal Law: A Guide to Federal and Massachusetts Resources
<http://www.law.suffolk.edu/library/research/a-z/resguides/animal.cfm>
Suffolk University
- International & Foreign Animal Law Research Guide
<http://www.ll.georgetown.edu/guides/InternationalAnimalLaw.cfm>

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Georgetown University Law Center

- A Bibliography of Animal Law Resources
<http://scholar.csuohio.edu/record=b1676030-S0>
International Institute for Animal Law
KF3841.A1 B53 2001 (Reference)
- The Connection Between Animal Abuse and Family Violence: A Selected Annotated Bibliography
http://heinonline.org/HOL/Page?handle=hein_journals/anim17&id=379&collection=journals&index=journals/anim
Sharon L. Nelson, 17 Animal L. 369 (2011)
- The Legal Cetacean: A Select Bibliography on Whales and International Whaling
http://heinonline.org/HOL/Page?handle=hein_journals/ijli36&id=526&collection=journals&index=journals/ijli
Amy Burchfield, 36 Int'l J. Legal Info. 490 (2008)
- Research in the Peaceable Kingdom: A Selected, Annotated Bibliography on Animal Law From an International Perspective
http://heinonline.org/HOL/Page?handle=hein_journals/ijli30&collection=journals&index=&id=454
Bobbi Ann Weaver, 30 International Journal of Legal Information 426 (Winter 2002).



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