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- **2012 VCC : Virginia Crime Codes: Listed Alphabetically and by Statute** (REF KFV 2983.2 .V57 2012)
- **Black's Law Dictionary** (REF KF 156.B53 2009)
- **The Bluebook : A Uniform System of Citation** (REF KF 245.U56 2010)
- **Contract Law for Paralegals : Traditional and e-Contracts** (REF KF 801.Z9 R44 2009)
- **Legal Research : How to Find & Understand the Law** (REF KF 242 .A1 E43 2009)
- **Legal Writing in a Nutshell** (REF KF 250 .S68 2009)
- **NALA Manual for Paralegals and Legal Assistants** (REF KF 320 .L4 N34 2010)
- **U.S. Court Cases** (REF KF 385 .A4 U15 2010)
- **Virginia Sentencing Guidelines** (REF KFV 2983.2 .V57 2012)

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- **Law on the Screen** (Sarat)
- **Legal Reason: the Use of Analogy in Legal Argument** (Weinreb)

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**Gale databases, including:** Criminal Justice Collection, Opposing Viewpoints in Context
**Lexis Advance** (check with your Paralegal instructor for access to this database)
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- Academic Search Premier
- Legal Collection
- MasterFILE Premier
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Bureau of Justice Statistics  www.bjs.gov
Department of Justice www.usdoj.gov
Law Library of Congress www.loc.gov/law
Sourcebook of Criminal Justice Statistics www.albany.edu/sourcebook
Statistical Abstract of the United States www.census.gov/compendia/statatab
THOMAS (federal legislative information) http://thomas.loc.gov
Supreme Court of the USA www.supremecourt.gov
U. S. Copyright Office www.copyright.gov
U. S. Senate www.senate.gov
Virginia General Assembly Legislative Information System (includes Constitution and Code of Virginia) http://leg1.state.va.us/lis.htm

Professional Organizations
American Bar Association www.americanbar.org
American Civil Liberties Union www.aclu.org
NALA (National Association of Legal Assistants) www.nala.org
National Center for State Courts www.ncsc.org
National Federation of Paralegal Associations www.paralegals.org
Virginia Peninsula Paralegal Association www.vappa.org
Virginia State Bar http://vsb.org

Other Websites
FindLaw www.findlaw.com
Legal Information Institute www.law.cornell.edu
Virginia Lawyers Weekly www.valawyersweekly.com

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Legal Career Network www.legalstaff.com
Law.com www.lawjobs.com

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