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RESOURCES

Selected overviews of the history and organization of legal aid and indigent defense in the U.S. and internationally

- 1. Legal Aid in the United States. Justice Programs Office, School of Public Affairs, American University (2014). http://hdl.handle.net/11204/3622 (A one page overview)
- 2. Martha Bergmark, A Brief History of Civil Legal Services for Low-Income People in the United States, https://lsntap.org/sites/all/files/legalServicesHistory.pdf (A good short overview)
- 3. Alan Houseman, Civil Legal Aid in the United States: An Update for 2015. A Report for the International Legal Aid Group., December 2015. http://hdl.handle.net/10822/761858 (A report on the present situation from 2015)
- 4. Alan Houseman and Linda Perle. A Brief History of Civil Legal Assistance in the United States. Revised December 2013. Online as a pdf file at: http://hdl.handle.net/10822/712951
- 5. Legal Aid Organizations in the United States. A pretty comprehensive list of regional legal aid organizations is available on the website of the Maine Legal Aid Organization, Pine Tree Legal Assistance: http://ptla.org/legal-services-links
- 6. Earl Johnson Jr. To Establish Justice for All. The Past and Future of Civil Legal Aid in the United States. 3 vols., Praeger-ABC-Clio, 2013. (The standard history of legal aid in the U.S.)

Oral History Interviews

7. Oral history collection, NEJL, Georgetown Law Library, http://www.law.georgetown.edu/library/collections/nejl/oral-histories.cfm

International Legal Aid Resources

8. What is Legal Aid? What is Public Defense? What is Indigent Defense? Justice Programs Office, School of Public Affairs, American University (2013). http://hdl.handle.net/11204/4176

9. Legal Aid Around the World. An excellent list to some legal services program sites around the world: http://ptla.org/legal-aid-around-world

Juvenile Justice

- 10. The History of Juvenile Justice. American Bar Association. https://www.americanbar.org/content/dam/aba/migrated/publiced/features/DYJpart1.authcheckdam.pdf
- 11. In re Gault Research Portal, Georgetown Law Library: http://guides.ll.georgetown.edu/c.php?g=635956&p=4448784
- 12. In re Gault 387 U.S. 1 (1967) 50th anniversary pocket guide from the National Juvenile Defender Center: http://njdc.info/wp-content/uploads/2016/10/NJDC-Pocket-Gault.pdf

Selected legal aid, defender and juvenile justice organizations

- * National Legal Aid and Defender Organization, NLADA (oldest and largest organization to deliver legal services to low income populations)
- * Sargent Shriver Center on Poverty Law (national advocacy organization to fight poverty)
- * Voices for Civil Justice (civil legal aid communications and advocacy organization)
- * Legal Services Corporation (single largest funder for civil legal aid in the US)
- *American Bar Association, Standing Committee on Legal Aid and Indigent Defendants (SCLAID)
- * **Defender Services, United States Courts (**administers the federal defender and panel attorney program)
- * National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers
- * National Juvenile Defender Center (non-profit promotes justice for children)

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