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I. FAVORITES

Housing Law in Minnesota

<http://povertylaw.homestead.com/HousingLawinMinnesota.html>

Part of a course taught at the University of Minnesota School of Law by Larry McDonough and Monica Bogucki. The site contains manuals, updates and forms, and slide shows by Larry McDonough, Drew Schaffer and other housing law experts.

Court Records:

- Minnesota Trial Court Public Access (MPA) Remote View (various search parameters)
<http://pa.courts.state.mn.us/default.aspx>
- Minnesota Court Records Online (MCRO) <https://publicaccess.courts.state.mn.us/>

Minnesota Secretary of State

<http://mblsportal.sos.state.mn.us/>

Search for whether business trade names are registered

Hennepin County Property Information Search

<http://www.hennepin.us/residents/property/property-information-search>

Minneapolis Address Search

<http://apps.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/AddressPortalApp/>

Owner, permits and rental licensing status

St. Paul Safety & Inspections (DSI) Online

<https://www.stpaul.gov/departments/safety-inspections>

Table of landlord licensing requirements in Hennepin County (in the process of updating)

<https://sites.google.com/site/mnhousinglaw/state-laws-and-rules/mn-landlord-tenant-laws-and-resources/summary-of-hennepin-county-rental-license-requirements>

Minn. Stat. Ch. 504B: Landlord and Tenant

<https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/504B/full>

Housing Court Rules for the Second and Fourth Districts (Ramsey and Hennepin Counties)

Minn. Gen. R. Prac. Title VII, §§ 600 et. Seq.

- Court Website <http://mncourts.gov/SupremeCourt/Court-Rules.aspx>
- Minnesota Office of Revisor of Statutes https://www.revisor.mn.gov/court_rules/rule.php?name=gp-toh
- Court Index to Rules <https://www.revisor.mn.gov/topics/?type=GP&id=C244072>

Law Help

<http://www.lawhelpmn.org/>

Answers to legal questions, finding legal aid offices, and court information.

Tenants' Rights in Minnesota (Law Help)

<https://www.lawhelpmn.org/self-help-library/booklet/tenants-rights-minnesota>

II. GENERAL

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HOME Line

<http://www.homelinemn.org>

Housing advocacy, advice, and resources

Pro Justice

<http://www.projusticemn.org/>

Includes all housing materials available through the Housing Law Institute, including the Residential Eviction Defense in Minnesota by Larry McDonough, scanned unreported decisions, forms, and instructions. After registering (if you have not done so already), go to Civil Law, Library, Housing, and Eviction Defense.

Wiki Version of Residential Eviction Defense in Minnesota by Larry McDonough

<http://evictiondefense.pbworks.com/w/page/8069836/Residential%20Eviction%20Defense%20in%20Minnesota>

A wiki revision that include direct links to PDFs of the unpublished decisions as well as statutes and appellate cases.

Law Help

<http://www.lawhelpmn.org/>

Answers to legal questions, finding legal aid offices, and court information.

Birnberg Legal Website

<https://birnberglegalwebsite.net/>

Paul Birnberg's housing law articles

MN Housing Law Resources

<http://sites.google.com/site/mnhousinglaw/>

Erik Williamsen's collection of Admin Plans, Guidebooks, and other Docs for Housing Attorneys in Hennepin County.

Legal Services State Support (LSSS), formerly Minnesota Legal Services Coalition (MLSC)

<http://www.mnlegalservices.org/>

Support center for legal services offices. Includes education materials, research links, guide to legal services offices, and training.

III. MINNESOTA STATE AND LOCAL LAW AND AGENCIES

A. Statutes, Rules and Ordinances

1. Statutes

Minnesota Statutes and Session Laws Minnesota Legislature

<http://www.leg.state.mn.us/leg/statutes.htm>

You search by subject, statute, or chapter. For instance, you can download or save entire chapters to keep on your computer, such as 504B (primary landlord-tenant chapter), 327C (manufactured and mobile home park

tenancies), and 484 (courts, containing the expungement statute).

Minn. Stat. Ch. 504B: Landlord and Tenant
<https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/504B>

Minn. Stat. Ch. 327C: Manufactured Home Park Lot Rentals
<https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/327c>

Minnesota Statutes Archive
Minnesota Statutes from 1851 on
<https://www.revisor.leg.state.mn.us/statutes?view=archive>

2. Housing Court Rules

Housing Court Rules for the Second and Fourth Districts (Ramsey and Hennepin Counties)
Minn. Gen. R. Prac. Title VII, §§ 600 et. Seq.

- Court Website <http://mncourts.gov/SupremeCourt/Court-Rules.aspx>
- Minnesota Office of Revisor of Statutes https://www.revisor.mn.gov/court_rules/rule.php?name=gp-toh
- Court Index to Rules <https://www.revisor.mn.gov/topics/?type=GP&id=C244072>

3. Conciliation Court Statute and Rules

Conciliation Court Statutes and Rules

- Minn. Stat. Ch. 491A <https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/?id=491A>
- Minn. Gen. R. Prac. Title XI https://www.revisor.mn.gov/court_rules/rule/gp-toh/

Law Help
<http://www.lawhelpmn.org/issues/the-legal-system/representing-yourself-in-small-claims-court-1>

Court information
<http://www.mncourts.gov/Find-Courts/Hennepin/HennepinConciliationCourt.aspx>

Conciliation Court forms
<http://www.mncourts.gov/GetForms.aspx?c=10>

4. Minnesota Court of Appeals and Supreme Court Rules

Minnesota Rules of Civil Appellate Procedure
https://www.revisor.mn.gov/court_rules/rule/aprcap-toh/

5. Ordinances

Minneapolis Code of Ordinances

- Complete https://www.municode.com/library/#!/mn/minneapolis/codes/code_of_ordinances
- Title 12: Housing
https://www.municode.com/library/#!/mn/minneapolis/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=COOR_TIT1

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St. Paul Code of Ordinances

- Complete https://www.municode.com/library/#!/mn/st._paul/codes/code_of_ordinances
- Part II, Title VI: Building and Housing
https://www.municode.com/library/#!/mn/st._paul/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=PTIILECO_TITV_IBUHO

Ordinances of Other Minnesota Cities

- MuniCode <https://www.municode.com/library/mn>
- Minnesota Law Library <https://mn.gov/law-library/research-links/ordinances.jsp>

6. Law Libraries

<http://www.mncourts.gov/Help-Topics/Law-Libraries.aspx>

B. Courts and Court Records

Minnesota District Court:

- NO LONGER AVAILABLE: Minnesota Trial Court Public Access (MPA) Remote View (various search parameters)
- Minnesota Court Records Online (MCRO) <https://publicaccess.courts.state.mn.us/>
- Minnesota District Court E-filing <https://minnesota.tylertech.cloud/ofsw eb>

Minnesota Appellate Courts:

- Public Access site for the Minnesota Appellate Courts Case Management System, known as P-MACS
<http://macsnc.courts.state.mn.us/ctrack/publicLogin.jsp>
- Minnesota Appellate Court E-filing <https://emac s.courts.state.mn.us/home>

Minnesota State Law Library

- Home <https://mn.gov/law-library/>
- Appellate Decisions and Briefs
<https://mn.gov/law-library/search/?v:sources=mn-law-library-briefs&timeout=0>

Links to courts throughout the state

<http://www.mncourts.gov/>

Housing Courts:

- Hennepin County (Fourth District) Housing Court
<http://www.mncourts.gov/Find-Courts/Hennepin/HennepinHousingCourt.aspx>
- Ramsey County (Second District) Housing Court
<http://www.mncourts.gov/Find-Courts/Ramsey/RamseyCivilCourt.aspx#tab06HousingCourt>
- Housing Court forms <http://www.mncourts.gov/GetForms.aspx?c=23>

Conciliation Court forms

<http://www.mncourts.gov/GetForms.aspx?c=10>

Self-Help Center for Minnesota District Courts

<http://www.mncourts.gov/selfhelp>

Court Interpreter Program

<https://www.mncourts.gov/Help-Topics/Court-Interpreter-Program.aspx>

C. Case Investigation: Federal, State and Local Agencies and Companies

Minnesota Secretary of State

<http://mblsportal.sos.state.mn.us/>

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St. Paul Safety & Inspections (DSI) Online

<https://online.stpaul.gov/web/portal/public-search>

Ramsey County Property and Tax Information

<http://www.co.ramsey.mn.us/prr/information.htm>

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<https://sites.google.com/site/mnhousinglaw/state-laws-and-rules/mn-landlord-tenant-laws-and-resources/summary-of-hennepin-county-rental-license-requirements>

Local government web sites list

<http://mn.gov/portal/government/local/>

Hennepin County Sheriff Foreclosure Listings

<http://www4.co.hennepin.mn.us/webforeclosure/>

Finding Parties: United States Postal Service, Request for Change of Address or Boxholder Information Needed For Service of Legal Process

- Article: Methods and Procedures for Requesting Change of Address and Boxholder Information from the United States Postal Service, By Dean A. Beers, CLI
http://www.deathcasereview.com/uploads/8/7/3/8/8738199/cali_-_coas_11212010.pdf
- Form: Request for Change of Address or Boxholder Information Needed For Service of Legal Process
<https://about.usps.com/who-we-are/foia/coa-or-boxholder-form.pdf>

Utilities

- Xcel Energy [http://www.xcelenergy.com/About Us/Contact Us](http://www.xcelenergy.com/About_Us/Contact_Us)
- Center Point Energy
<http://www.centerpointenergy.com/services/naturalgas/residential/customerservice/contactus/MN/>

D. Criminal Records

1. History Searches

Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension
<https://chs.state.mn.us/>

Minnesota Vine Link Search
<https://www.vinelink.com/vinelink/siteInfoAction.do?siteId=24002>

2. Expungement

Attorney General
<https://www.ag.state.mn.us/Office/Expungement.asp>

Courts
[https://www.mncourts.gov/Documents/50/Public/Self_Help_Center/Step by Step Guide to Expungements FINAL on web.pdf](https://www.mncourts.gov/Documents/50/Public/Self_Help_Center/Step_by_Step_Guide_to_Expungements_FINAL_on_web.pdf)

Law Help Minnesota
<https://www.lawhelpmn.org/self-help-library/criminal/expungement-and-criminal-records>

Restoration of Rights Project - manual
<https://ccresourcecenter.org/state-restoration-profiles/minnesota-restoration-of-rights-pardon-expungement-sealing/>

E. Referrals

Housing Law in Minnesota and Poverty Law Referral List

- HTML <http://povertylaw.homestead.com/files/Reading/0Referrals.htm>
- PDF <http://povertylaw.homestead.com/files/Reading/0Referrals.pdf>

Law Help
<http://www.lawhelpmn.org/MN/index.cfm>
Answers to legal questions, finding legal aid offices, and court information

Mid-Minnesota Legal Assistance
<http://mylegalaid.org/>
Advice and representation in Hennepin County and Central Minnesota

Southern Minnesota Regional Legal Services
<http://www.smrls.org/>
Advice and representation in Ramsey County and Southern Minnesota

Volunteer Lawyers Network

<http://www.volunteerlawyersnetwork.org>

Pro bono support in Hennepin County

HOME Line

<http://www.homelinemn.org/>

Phone hotline and organizing and policy advocacy throughout Minnesota

University Student Legal Service

<http://usls.umn.edu/>

Advice and representation for University of Minnesota students

Hennepin County Human Services Cash Assistance, Emergency Assistance, Food Support, and Health Care

<http://www.hennepin.us/residents/human-services/cash-assistance>

<http://www.hennepin.us/residents/human-services/emergency-assistance>

Ramsey County Financial Assistance Services Department

<https://www.co.ramsey.mn.us/hs/financialassistance.htm>

City of Minneapolis Government Agencies

<http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/311/>

Visit website or call 311 for housing inspections and other Minneapolis city offices

United Way 211

<http://www.211unitedway.org/>

Call 211™ or 651-291-0211

State-wide list of community resources, like financial assistance, housing assistance, shelters, and food shelf locations

Renters tax refund

http://www.revenue.state.mn.us/individuals/prop_tax_refund/pages/renters_property_tax_refund.aspx

Tenants may be eligible for a property tax refund based on household income and on the property taxes paid on the residence

HousingLink

<http://www.housinglink.org/Home.aspx>

Affordable rental housing information for the Twin Cities and selected regions of Minnesota.

Minnesota Standard Residential Lease (Apartment) (RPF-41) (2000, Revised 2011)

<https://homelinemn.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/minnesota-standard-residential-lease-agreement-form.pdf>

By the Residential Real Estate Committee, Real Property Section of the Minnesota State Bar Association

List of Notaries from the Secretary of State

<https://notary.sos.state.mn.us/>

The Minnesota Attorney General's Office

- Landlords and Tenants Rights and Responsibilities

<https://www.ag.state.mn.us/Consumer/Handbooks/LT/default.asp>

- The Manufactured Home Parks Handbook
<https://www.ag.state.mn.us/Consumer/Handbooks/HomeParks/default.asp>

IV. FEDERAL LAW

F. Fuchs, Overview of Public Housing, HUD Federally Subsidized Housing, and Section 8 Housing Voucher Programs (2002)

http://povertylaw.homestead.com/files/Reading/Overview_of_Public_Housing_etc_fuchs_1_.pdf

L. Krisher & S. Reif, Housing Programs Unique to Rural Areas (2002)

http://povertylaw.homestead.com/files/Reading/Housing_Programs_Unique_to_Rural_Areas_krisher_1_.pdf

L. McDonough and M. McCreight, Wait a Minute Slowing Down Criminal Activity Eviction Cases to Find the Truth, 41 CLEARINGHOUSE REVIEW 55 (May/June 2007)

<http://povertylaw.homestead.com/WaitAMinute.html>

National Housing Law Project (NHLP)

<http://www.nhlp.org/>

Public and subsidized housing law developments

HUD Housing Programs: Tenants' Rights

<https://www.nhlp.org/store/>

The NHLP's definitive treatise on the laws governing HUD's housing programs.

HUD Clips

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/administration/hudclips

HUD manuals, regulations and notices

Housing and Urban Development Department (HUD)

<http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD>

Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Housing & Community Facilities Programs

http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/LP_Subject_HousingAndCommunityAssistance.html

Listing of Subsidized Housing Projects

- Minnesota Low Income Housing <https://www.lowincomehousing.us/MN.html> List of low income apartments in Minnesota along with non profit organizations that help with low income housing along with HUD apartments, public housing apartments, public housing authorities, and housing assistance agencies.
- HUD Property Search for §8 Subsidized Projects <http://www.hud.gov/apps/section8/index.cfm>
- HUD Property Search for §202 Elderly Housing Subsidized Projects
http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/housing/mfh/202directloan
- National Housing Preservation Database, created by the Public and Affordable Housing Research Corporation (PAHRC) and the National Low Income Housing Coalition (NLIHC).
<http://preservationdatabase.org/>

V. OTHER STATES

Law Help

<http://www.lawhelp.org/find-help/>

Answers to legal questions, finding legal aid offices, and court information.

National Center on Poverty Law

<http://povertylaw.org/>

Publisher of Clearinghouse Review, a national law journal on poverty law

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