


Resources for Your Civics/Government Project

Government Branches


Click on **The Catalog @ Your Library** from the library's home page at **ppld.org** to find these **books**:

- *CQ's Desk Reference to the Presidency* by Bruce Wetterau (R 973.099 W346D)
- *The Presidency A to Z* edited by Michael Nelson (R 973.099 P9333 2003)
- *The Oxford Companion to the Supreme Court of the United States* edited by Kermit L. Hall (R 347.732603 O98 2005)
- *Major Acts of Congress* edited by Brian K. Landsberg (R 348.7322 M234)

Websites

 **Ben's Guide to U.S. Government:** Easy to understand information about historical documents, branches of government, how laws are made, national vs. state government, the election process and citizenship.

<http://bensguide.gpo.gov/>

 **Landmark Supreme Court Cases:** Features landmark Supreme Court cases including background summaries and excerpts of opinions.


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

Citizenship


Click on **The Catalog @ Your Library** from the library's home page at **ppld.org** to find these **books**:

- *The Good Citizen: A History of American Civic Life* by Michael Schudson (323.60973 S384G)
- *Citizenship in the Western Tradition: Plato to Rousseau* by Peter N. Riesenberg (323.609 R561C)

Websites

 **Ben's Guide to U.S. Government:** Information on becoming a citizen, the rights of citizens and duties and responsibilities of citizens.





<http://bensguide.gpo.gov/9-12/citizenship/index.html>

 **U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services:** A heavy and boring website from the U.S. Government for those interested in becoming U.S. Citizens. Offers brief explanations and definitions.

<http://uscis.gov/graphics/services/natz/citizen.htm>

Your Rights

Click on **The Catalog @ Your Library** from the library's home page at **ppld.org** to find these **books**:

-  *The Rights of Students* by Eve Cary (344.079 C332R)
-  *In Defense of Liberty: The Story of America's Bill of Rights* by Russell Freedman (342.085 F853I)
-  *Under 18: Knowing Your Rights* by Michael Kronenwetter (346.0135 K93U)
-  *The Bill of Rights: The First Ten Amendments of the Constitution* by David L. Hudson (J 342.73085 H885B)

Websites

 **Ben's Guide to U.S. Government:** The Bill of Rights in a nutshell.

<http://bensguide.gpo.gov/9-12/citizenship/rights.html>

 **American Civil Liberties Union:** Do you know your rights as a student?

<http://www.aclu.org/studentsrights/index.html>

Colorado State Government

Click on **The Catalog @ Your Library** from the library's home page at **ppld.org** to find these **books**:

- *Colorado: the State We're In* by the League of Women Voters of Colorado (320.4788 C719 2004)
- *Colorado Politics and Government: Governing the Centennial State* by Thomas Cronin (320.9788 C947C 1993)

Websites

📖 **Colorado State Government for Students:** Contains information about Colorado's constitution, laws, state officers, legislation, the judicial branch and the election process.

<http://www.colorado.gov/colorado-get-involved/learn-more-about-government.html>

📖 **Colorado State Publications Library:** Government publications including the revised statutes.

<http://www.cde.state.co.us/stateinfo/index.htm>

📖 **Colorado State website:** The official site of the state of Colorado.

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

Colorado Springs Government

Click on **The Catalog @ Your Library** from the library's home page at **ppld.org** to find these **books**:

- *City Code of Colorado Springs, Colorado, 2001* by Colorado Springs (R 345.2 C72C 2001)
- *El Paso County Statistical Profile* by Pikes Peak Area Council of Governments (R 317.8856 E37 2000)

Websites

📖 **Colorado Springs City Council and City Management:** How the city government is organized and how they go about doing the city's business.

<http://www.ci.colospgs.co.us/SectionIndex.asp?SectionID=1>

📖 **Colorado Springs website: The official website of Colorado Springs.**

<http://www.springsgov.com/>

Documents and Primary Sources

Click on **The Catalog @ Your Library** from the library's home page at **ppld.org** to find these **books**:

- *Encyclopedia of the American Constitution* edited by Leonard W. Levy and Kenneth L. Karst (R 342.73 E56 2000)
- *The U.S. Constitution A to Z* by Robert L. Maddex (R 342.0203 M134U)

Websites

📖 **Famous Historical Documents:** Primary sources concerning the Bill of Rights, the U.S. Constitution and the Declaration of Independence.

http://kidinfo.com/American_History/Historical_Documents.html

📖 **Our Documents:** 100 milestone documents in American History.

<http://www.ourdocuments.gov/index.php?flash=true&>

📖 **American Rhetoric Online Speech Bank:** Over 5,000 full text, audio and video versions of public speeches and other media events.

<http://www.americanrhetoric.com/speechbanka-f.htm>