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Portland, ME 04102

Tel: (207) 780-4350

<http://mainelaw.maine.edu/library/>

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142 Federal Street

Portland, ME 04101

Tel: (207) 773-9712

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

Penobscot County Law Library

Penobscot County Courthouse

78 Exchange Street

Bangor, ME 04401

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http://www.courts.state.me.us/news_reference/libraries/locations.html

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Maine Revised Statutes:

<http://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/statutes/>

These can be searched by words and title and section.

Maine State Regulations or Rules:

<http://www.state.me.us/sos/cec/rcn/apa/depts>

Maine Supreme Judicial Court Opinions

Opinions available from January 1997 to present arranged by date

Other useful court information located at the State of Maine Judicial Branch homepage

http://www.courts.state.me.us/court_info/opinions/supreme/index.shtml

Maine Rules of Court:

Available at the Maine Judicial website:

http://www.courts.maine.gov/rules_adminorders/index.html

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Available at the Maine Judicial website:

http://www.courts.maine.gov/fees_forms/index.html

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INTERNET LEGAL SOURCES ON FAMILY LAW

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<http://helpmelaw.org/library>

Lawyer Referral & Information Service:

http://www.mainebar.org/public_lris.asp

Pine Tree Legal Assistance:

<http://www.ptla.org/ptlasite/familyindex.htm>

Nolo (family law)

<http://www.nolo.com/legal-encyclopedia/family-law-divorce>

Legal Information Institute (divorce)

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