Secondary Sources

The Basics

Research Guide

- Topic due September 16 (on Blackboard)
- Practical/Real World Issue that an attorney would need to research
- Some previous titles available on Blackboard

A Guide to Considering the Intentional Dissipation of Marital Assets Within the Doctrine of Equitable Distribution in the State of Florida

Evaluating Information

- Where can you find it/what formats?
- What type of information does it contain?
- When would it be most helpful?
- How do you locate relevant information within the source (finding tools)?
- How do you update it? (How up-to-date is it?)

Basic Secondary Sources

Legal Dictionaries Legal Encyclopedia Restatements Legal Treatises American Law Reports Law Journals

Treatises

- How to find a treatise?
 - <u>Subject Guide to Treatises and Looseleaf</u> <u>Services</u>
 - Bloomberg Law/Lexis/Westlaw listings
 - Law Library Catalog

American Law Reports

- Annotations on a very specific issue
- Finding aids (table of contents, index, table of jurisdictions)

Law Journals

Law Reviews (studentedited/law school published) Authors

Length

Purpose

Law Journals (commercial or organization published)

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