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# Child Custody & Visitation

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<http://www.maine.gov/legis/lawlib/>

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

## COMPREHENSIVE COURT LAW LIBRARY

### **Cleaves Law Library**

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

For more information on court law libraries, see

[http://www.courts.state.me.us/news\\_reference/libraries/locations.html](http://www.courts.state.me.us/news_reference/libraries/locations.html)

# **Available at the Maine State Law & Legislative Reference Library**

Maine Revised Statutes Annotated (M.R.S.A.)

*For Maine Family Law, see Title 19-A M.R.S.A.*

Maine State Regulations

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<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**

[http://www.courts.state.me.us/court\\_info/opinions/supreme/index.shtml](http://www.courts.state.me.us/court_info/opinions/supreme/index.shtml)

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/index.html>

## **Maine Rules of Court , Forms and Fees**

Available at the Maine Judicial website:

[http://www.courts.state.me.us/court\\_info/rules/index.shtm](http://www.courts.state.me.us/court_info/rules/index.shtm)

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<http://helpmelaw.org/library>

**Lawyer Referral & Information Service:**

[http://www.mainebar.org/public\\_lris.asp](http://www.mainebar.org/public_lris.asp)

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**Nolo (family law)**

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**Legal Information Institute (divorce)**

<http://www.law.cornell.edu/wex/divorce>

**Office of the Maine Attorney General (domestic violence)**

[http://www.maine.gov/ag/children\\_families/domestic\\_violence.html](http://www.maine.gov/ag/children_families/domestic_violence.html)

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