

Historic Preservation Law: A Legal Research Guide

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- Highlights preservation laws for indigenous sites, national monuments, historical buildings, and more
- Includes primary and secondary sources dating back to the mid-1800s
- A must-have for anyone interested in researching historic preservation in the United States



About This Title

Historic preservation, according to the Congressional Research Service, "is the practice of protecting and preserving sites, structures, objects, landscapes, and other cultural resources of historical significance." Although state and local government programs, along with privately financed undertakings, support and bolster historic preservation, it is mainly the federal government's role through enacting legislation, appropriating funds, and administering programs through various federal agencies that contributes to historic preservation policy.

This legal research guide undertakes to highlight federal historic preservation legislation from the early 1900s through the passage of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, the bulwark upon which historic preservation law stands today. Through it some of the historic preservation grant programs being funded include: Native American/tribal historic preservation, Japanese American internment camps, historical black colleges/universities, American battlefield protection programs, and tribal graves protection/repatriation.

The guide covers primary sources such as: federal statutes, regulations, agencies and case law; state laws, regulations and agencies; and international law along with the laws of other countries. Secondary sources include references to American Law Reports; legal encyclopedias; Congressional Research Service reports; organizations, blogs and websites; law school courses; databases; legal publications, law journals and books; and newspapers, magazines and journal articles.

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