

# LEGAL RESEARCH BASICS TOUR

Fall 2011

## ERRATA SHEET

Track 5: ~~American Law Reports – Location B~~

American Law Reports First, Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth vol 1-vol. 35 – Location B

American Law Reports Fifth vol. 36- end, American Law Reports Sixth, Digest and Complete Series Index – Location A



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Allow at least forty-five minutes to complete this tour.

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## Legal Research Basics Tour

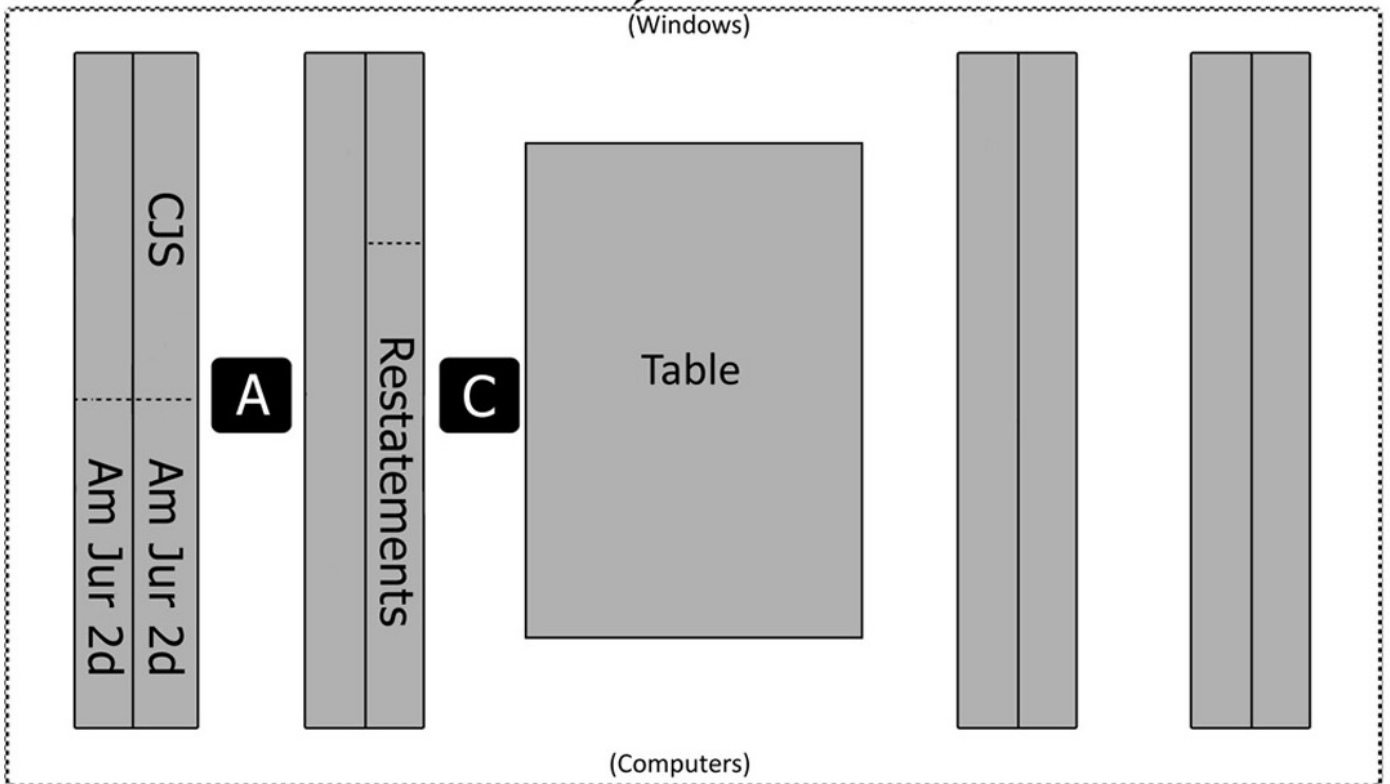
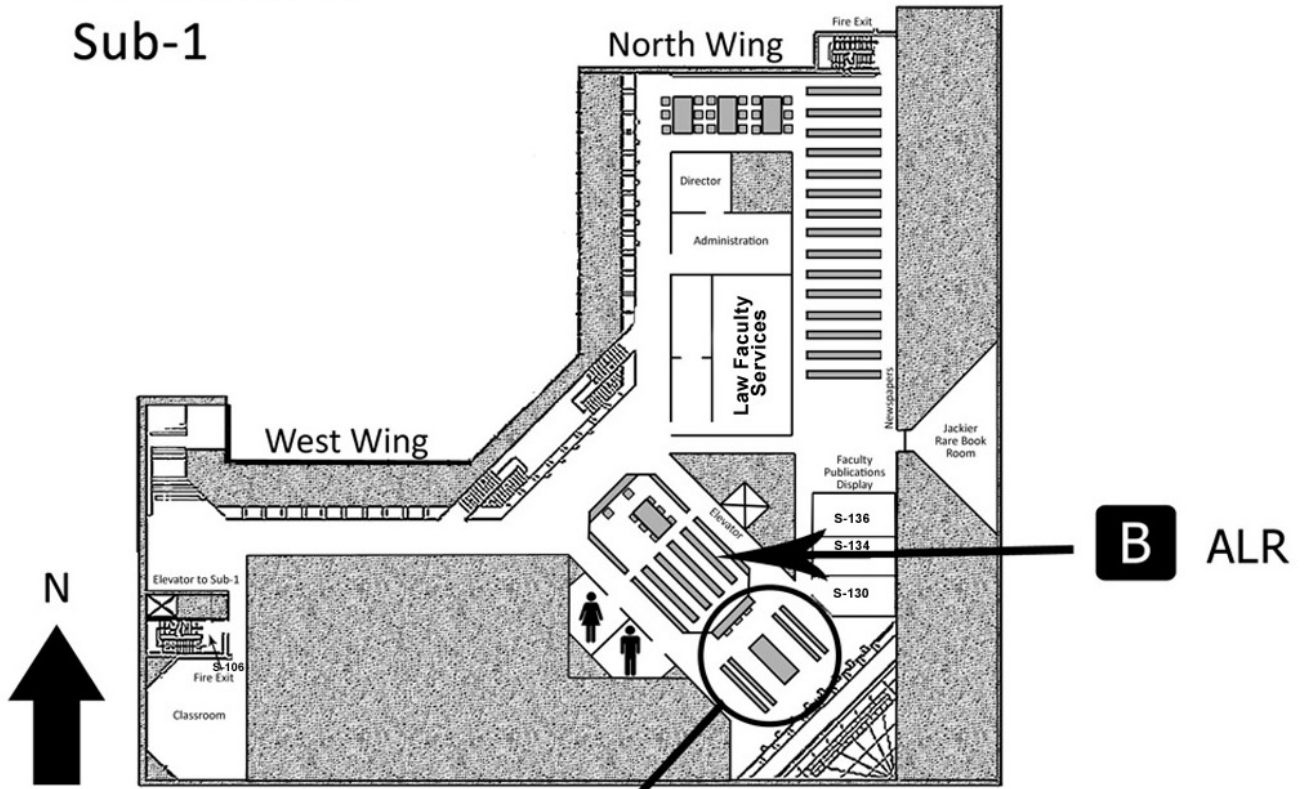
<u>Track 1</u>	<b>Introduction</b>
<u>Track 2</u>	<b>Hypothetical Research Problem</b>
<u>Track 3</u>	<b>Legal Encyclopedias – Location A</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Two national legal encyclopedias:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ American Jurisprudence (Am Jur 2d), green set</li><li>○ Corpus Juris Secundum (CJS), blue set</li></ul></li><li>• Am Jur 2d Example:</li><li>• Pull index volume including letter “S”<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Find “Search and Seizure” and</li><li>○ Find subheading “Automobiles and highway traffic generally”</li><li>○ Lists sections 60-63</li></ul></li><li>• Pull Am Jur volume including Searches and Seizures<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Find Searches and Seizures, Sections 61, “Automobile exception to warrant requirement”</li></ul></li><li>• Return to index volume including letter “S”<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Find “Search and Seizure” and</li><li>○ Find subheading “Drugs and narcotics”</li><li>○ Find sub-subheading “odor of illegal substance”</li><li>○ Lists section 129</li></ul></li><li>• Return to Am Jur volume including Searches and Seizures<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Find Searches and Seizures, Section 129, “odor of illegal substance”</li></ul></li></ul>
<u>Track 4</u>	<b>A Note about Finding Books</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Use the Law Library’s online catalog<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ On the Law Library’s website, choose the Catalog tab</li></ul></li><li>• “Book Lists” and Tutorials<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Find both under the Law Students and U of M &amp; Public tab on Law Library’s website</li><li>○ Book lists are lists of treatises and major books by subject</li><li>○ Tutorials are short video lessons on using e-resources</li></ul></li></ul>

<u>Track 5</u>	<b>American Law Reports – Location B</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Find the ALR Index volume containing letter “D”<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Find “Drugs and Narcotics”</li><li>○ Find subheading “searches and seizures”</li><li>○ Find subheading “smell and odor”</li><li>○ Find subheading “Occupant of vehicle, validity of warrantless search of motor vehicle occupant based on odor of marijuana – federal cases”</li><li>○ Find reference to 192 ALR Fed 391</li></ul></li><li>● Find volume 192 of the ALR Fed and turn to page 391<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ The Pocket Part will direct you further.</li></ul></li></ul>
<u>Track 6</u>	<b>Restatements – Location C</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Restatements cover Property, Torts, Contracts and more</li><li>● No Restatement on Criminal Law</li><li>● Find Restatement of the Law Second, Contracts</li><li>● Find the volume containing the first sections<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ In Table of Contents, find chapter on “mistake” (ch. 6)</li><li>○ Turn to section 153, “When Mistake of one Party Makes a Contract Voidable”</li></ul></li></ul>
<u>Track 7</u>	<b>Digests – Location D</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Locate West’s Michigan Digest<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Find the Descriptive Word Index volume that includes letter “D”<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Find heading “Drugs and Controlled Substances”</li><li>▪ Find subheading “Searches and Seizures”</li><li>▪ Find sub-subheading “Odors”<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Drugs and N key 185.5 – This means key number 185.5 of digest topic “Drugs and Narcotics”</li></ul></li></ul></li><li>○ Find Digest volume containing letter “D”<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Look up “Drugs and Narcotics”</li><li>▪ This has been reclassified among several topics including “Controlled Substances”</li></ul></li><li>○ Find Digest volume containing letter “C” for Controlled Substances<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Beginning of volume, key number translation table</li><li>▪ “former drugs and narcotics key number” 185.5</li><li>▪ New location is “Controlled substances” 137</li><li>▪ Turn to “Controlled substances” 137</li><li>▪ Citation to <i>People v. Kazmierczak</i>, 461 Mich 411, 605 N.W.2d 667 (2000)</li></ul></li></ul></li></ul>

<u>Track 8</u>	<b>State Court Opinions – Location E</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Locate Northwestern Regional Reporter Second           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Find Kazmierczak case in volume 605 at page 667</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<u>Track 9</u>	<b>Federal Court Opinions – Location F</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• United States v. Staula, 80 F. 3d 596</li> <li>• Locate Federal Reporter Third</li> <li>• Find volume 80 and turn to page 596</li> </ul>
<u>Track 10</u>	<b>State Statutes – Location D</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Locate Michigan Compiled Laws Annotated (MCLA)           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Find the General Index volume containing A – L               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Look up “controlled substances”</li> <li>▪ Find sub-heading “possession, fines and penalties”</li> <li>▪ Index references section 333.7403</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Find MCLA volume containing section 333.7403               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Look up section 333.7403</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<u>Track 11</u>	<b>Federal Statutes – Location G</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Locate United States Code Annotated (USCA)           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Find the General Index volume containing C               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Look up “controlled substances”</li> <li>▪ Find sub-heading “possession—simple possession”</li> <li>▪ Index references 21, section 844 (Title 21, section 844)</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Find USCA volume including Title 21               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Find section 844</li> <li>▪ Find Notes of Decisions Number 20 (21 section 844 note 20) – U.S. v. Butler</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<u>Track 12</u>	<b>Looseleaf Services – Location H</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Browse the shelves at Location H to find Standard Federal Tax Reporter</li> <li>• Call Number is KF 6285 .C67</li> <li>• Find the 2011 index volume</li> <li>• Turn to “About this publication”</li> </ul>

<u>Track 13</u>	<b>Law Reviews and Journals – Location I</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Locate “Criminal Procedure—Probable Cause to Search Pursuant to Automobile Exception to Warrant Requirement: The Smell of Marijuana by an Individual Qualified to Recognize the Odor Provides Sufficient Probable Cause to Search,” 78 U. Det. Mercy L. Rev. 723 (2001)</li><li>• Location is “Journals” and Call Number is K25 .N58</li><li>• Locate the University of Detroit Mercy Law Review, volume 78</li><li>• Turn to page 723</li></ul>
<u>Track 14</u>	<b>Conclusion</b>

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## Sub-2

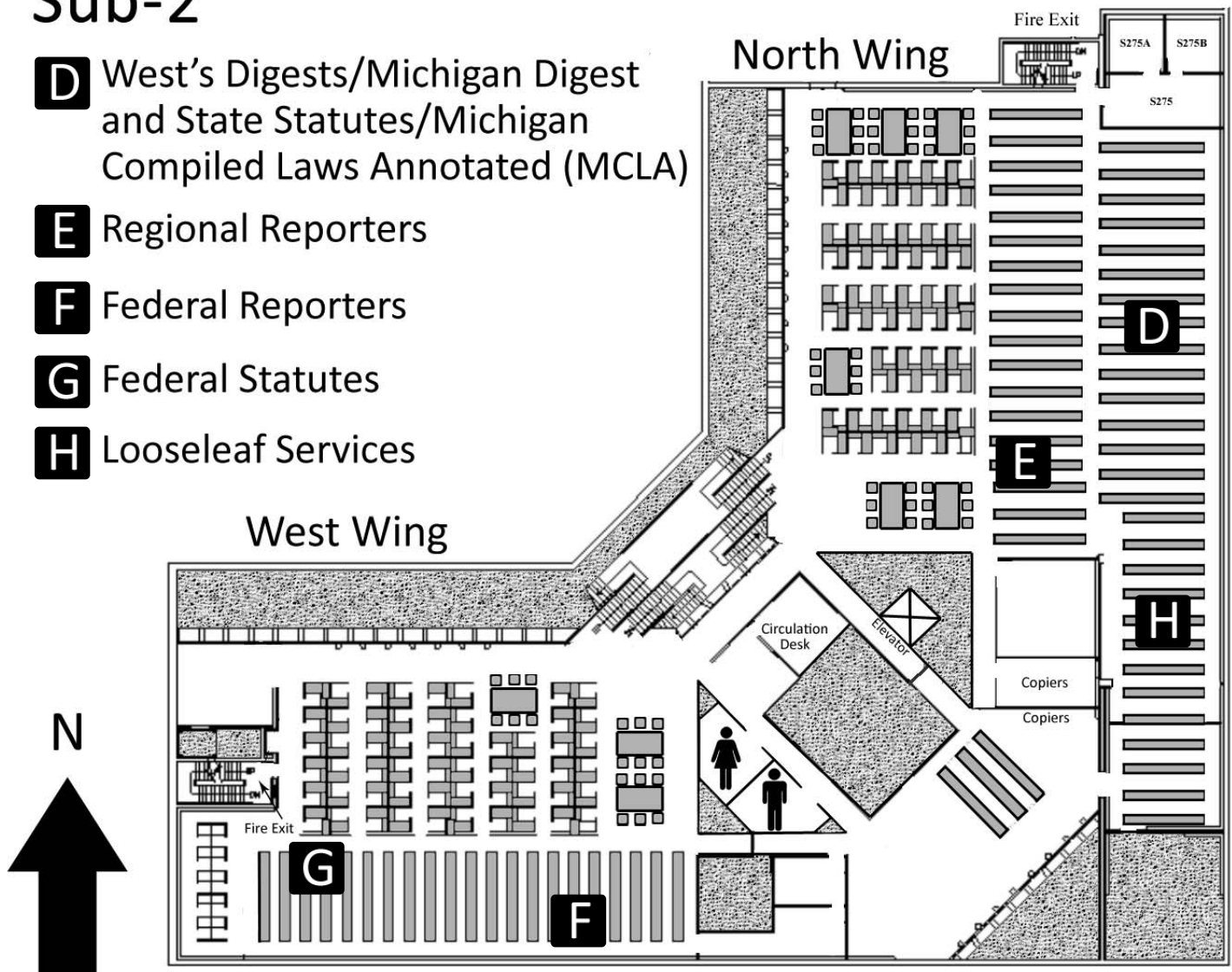
**D** West's Digests/Michigan Digest  
and State Statutes/Michigan  
Compiled Laws Annotated (MCLA)

**E** Regional Reporters

**F** Federal Reporters

**G** Federal Statutes

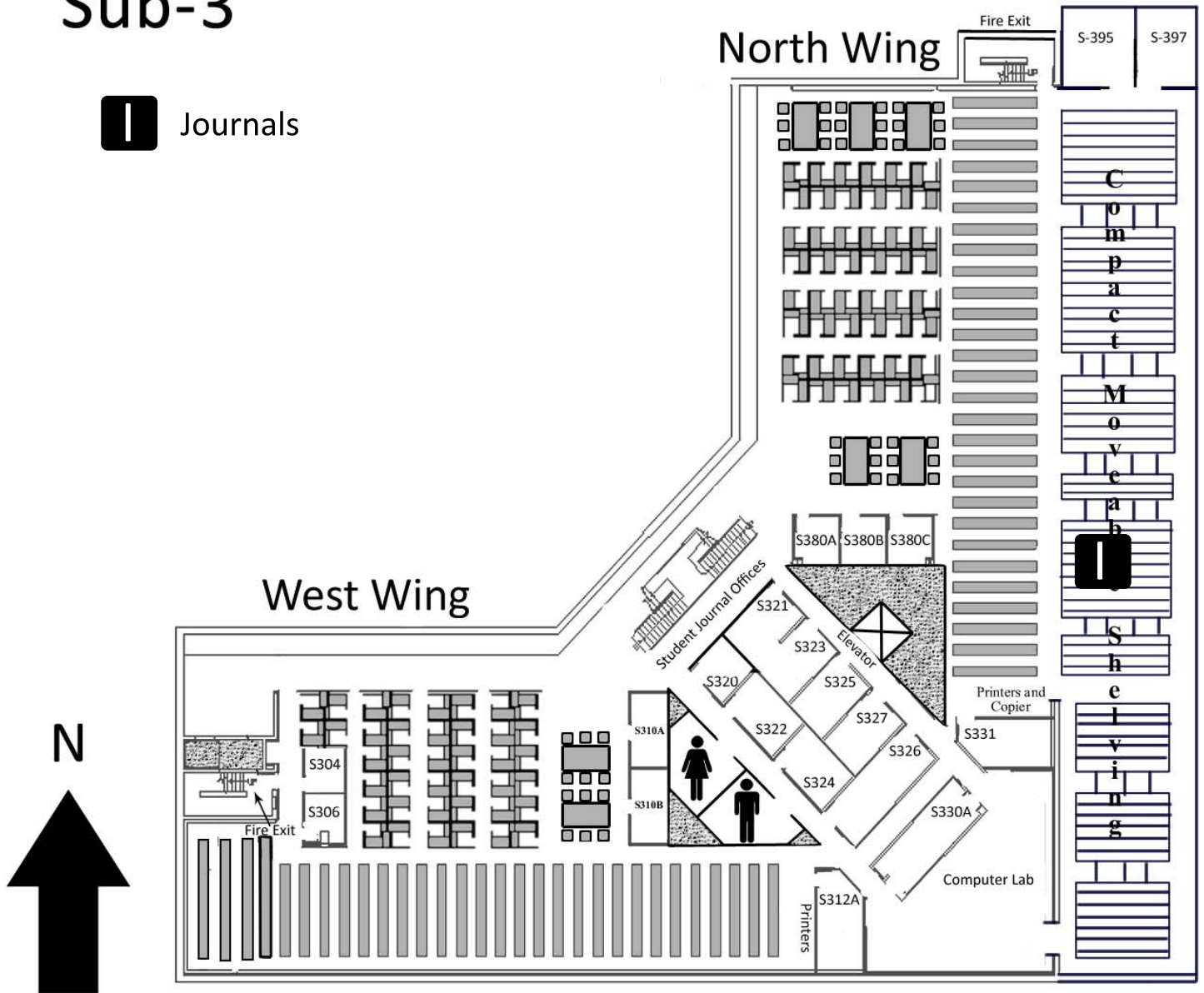
**H** Looseleaf Services



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## Sub-3

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<sup>1</sup> Submit a [request](#) item online or apply for a [Closed Stacks pass](#) at the Circulation Desk on S-2. Books are retrieved twice a day M-F and once a day on weekends. Closed Stacks passes are available 8 am-5 pm M-F.

<sup>2</sup> By application only; inquire at the Reference Desk on S-1.