

## **Quick-Start Guides & Legal Research**

The following documents are a starting place for your research, and it is still your responsibility to research an issue. Always cite check information. Practice advisories can be outdated, looking at different circuit law, or just inaccurate. Also, talk to your supervisor because they might have additional resources or recommendations for where to start.

- <u>Acacia</u> (general/children)
- AILA
  - AIC advisories (often interpreting new case law)
  - AILA practice alerts (emerging issues)
  - AlLAlink (subscription research library)
- ASISTA (survivors/U/T/VAWA)
- <u>CLINIC</u> (general)
- <u>CGRS</u> (asylum technical assistance)
- EOIR Virtual Law Library
- IDP (crim-imm and state crim charts)
  - o <u>Immigration Consequences of Crimes Summary Checklist</u> (updated July 2024)
  - <u>"Particularly Serious Crime" Bars on Asylum and Withholding of Removal: Case Law Standards and Sample Determinations</u>
- <u>ILRC</u> (general)
  - o Chart: Eligibility for Immigration Relief Despite Criminal Record Issues
- MyAttorneyUSA (<u>topic index</u>, scroll to bottom or search)
  - o <u>List of Aggravated Felonies</u>
  - Waivers
- NIJC (general)
  - o CA7 Asylum Guide
  - o IL Crim Guide and Chart
- NIPNLG (general, crim-imm)
- Unpublished BIA Decisions (ask your org if someone has a subscription)

Check your org library/AlLAlink for Kurzban and ILRC eBooks, such as the bond book.

## **Key Links for Country Conditions Research**

- EOIR Country Conditions Index The Immigration Court's official research library
- Annotated Table of Contents Project (Password: WOLA2018) mostly Central American countries
- Asylos European repository of country conditions for places around the world
- <u>CGRS</u> After creating an account and registering the case, they will send you expert
  affidavits, country conditions, and other resources. NOTE: If you come across a CGRS
  affidavit in the wild, you must register your case with CGRS before using the affidavit.
- <u>Refworld</u> You can sometimes find older versions of reports and other interesting archived documents on this UNHCR site
- Canada's Country Conditions Index
- Central American Family Law Codes Sometimes useful for family PSGs
- <u>Constitutions of Every Country Translated to English</u> sometimes useful for showing a PSG is recognized as a group by society, sometimes useful for showing lack of protection or active undermining of rights for a group, especially LGBT PSGs