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FDsys http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/

  Library Home Page, Databases A-Z, F, FDsys

  (A free government web site containing many resources)

  (Limited by years covered)

      History of Bills (If you know bill number)

      Public and Private Laws (with brief legislative histories at the end of each law)

      United States Statutes at Large

      Compilation of Presidential Documents & Public Papers of the President

ProQuest Congressional

  Library Home Page, Databases A-Z, P, ProQuest Congressional

      Basic Search – usually don't do

      Advanced Search – default – choose files to be searched

      Number Serach – Very exact but do you know the number?

Presidential signing statements Public papers of the President (J80 .A283) and FDsys

Statutes at Large *KF50 .A2x (Reference Department)*

      Hardbound copies of public and private laws (with brief legislative histories at the end of each law)

HeinOnline

  Library Home Page, Databases A-Z, H, HeinOnline

      Earlier Statutes at Large and United States Code