

FSM Supreme Court Law Library(s) (FSMSCLL)

Welcome to the FSM Supreme Court Law Libraries (FSMSCLL) where we strive to provide access to legal information to all patrons who come through the door.

Mission:

To ensure that the FSMSCLL provide current and comprehensive legal reference and information services to the judiciary, bar members and the general public throughout the four FSM States.

Vision:

To assume the leading role in supporting the legal research activities of the judiciary, bar members, staff and its large community by:

1. Creating access to local, state, national, and international legal information;
2. Developing and publishing electronic and other legal information products for the benefit of judges, bar members, staff and the community;
3. Designing information and communication systems linking the FSM Supreme Court website (s) to state, national, regional, and international sources;
4. Providing assistance for the Trial Counselors' Program and others in the process of legal research and information retrieval while utilizing a variety of methods and formats; and
5. Serving as the legal information resource center for the Citizens of the Federated States of Micronesia.

Our values:

- Customer focus:
- Professionalism:
- Accountability:
- Respect:

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***My Library Highlights
Aug./Sep. 2020***





HIGHLIGHTS ON THE FSM SUPREME COURT LAW LIBRARY(s) (FSMSCLL)

August/September 2020

Westlaw v. HeinOnline

With the increased cost from Westlaw for FY 2019-2020, the FSMSCLL is looking into other legal research online databases to be used by the FSM Supreme Court for FY2020-2021.

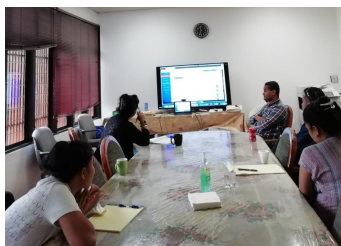


In light of the much less expensive proposal from HeinOnline, the FSM Supreme Court needs to know what is available through HeinOnline in comparison to Westlaw. And if there would be any other advantages to switching companies.

Look out for more update in the future on what online legal research databases that the FSMSCLL will be choosing for the Court.

Activity Planning Remote Support to the FSM National Supreme Court COVID-19 Response Workshop

Tuesday, September 29 at 10:30 am Pohnpei Time, a testing session was on in preparation of the Activity Planning Remote Support to the FSM National

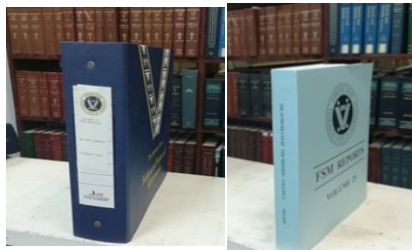


Supreme Court COVID-19 Response Workshop to make sure participants are ready especially on the IT session to use Miro and Zoom as the collaboration tool

to be used during the workshop. The workshop is scheduled to be for three weeks starting on Tuesday, October 6 @ 1 pm.

New Project on the FSM Reports (a.k.a) FSM Interim Reporter

BEFORE & AFTER



Since 1981, the Supreme Court of the Federated States of Micronesia started to bind its own decisions including other selected decisions from the state courts of Chuuk,

Kosrae, Pohnpei and Yap into a ring-binder (loose-leaf) and assigned as a volume with the give name "FSM Interim Reporter". In 2019, a General Court Order (GCO) 2014-03 was issued to amends the GCO 1983-4, § 2 to be cited as in either FSM Intrm. or FSM R. as now can be also called FSM Reports. After 39th years, the FSM Supreme Court Law Library (FSMSCLL) is now republishing the FSM Reports into a booklet that makes more secure, easy to carry around while more safe spaces will be available on the library shelves.

The FSM Interim Reporters and now can also be called FSM Reports is a series of bound case reporters that are the official reports of decisions for the Supreme Court of the Federated States of Micronesia.

For the fiscal year 2019, the FSM Supreme Court Law Library (FSMSCLL) started a new project on the FSM Reports to be in a perfect binding (also known as soft cover binding) as shown in the pictures above.

PIALA Lost A Good Friend

As the FSMSCLL a member of PIALA, we join all members with great sadness that we have learned of the untimely passing of Dr. Yvonne Chandler. We, are devastated upon hearing the news of Dr. Yvonne Chandler's passing.



The late Dr. Yvonne Chandler was a well known leader, mentor, educator, and advocate for all libraries across the Pacific, the United States, and around the world. Her presence will

be missed most importantly throughout the Pacific, the Micronesian region, and PIALA.

Dr. Chandler's love for libraries and for the vast wealth of knowledge contained in all libraries and librarians goes beyond words. She shared with us a precious gift, and her legacy will never be forgotten. All who knew and loved her dedication, her passion, her advocacy, and her powerful commitment to the effectiveness of libraries and equitable access of information is unparalleled. We appreciate all she has done for our people, our islands, and our PIALA family. We will remember her steadfast dedication as a pioneering leader in the field of librarianship.

2020 FSM National Law Day Debates

This year, we celebrate the thirty-nine years since the establishment of the FSM Supreme Court with the theme:

"BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA FILE A CLAIM WITH THE INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE AGAINST THE MORE DEVELOPED NATIONS, WHO ARE HOST TO LARGE MULTI-NATIONAL CORPORATIONS, WHICH HAVE CONTRIBUTED HEAVILY TO THE GLOBAL WARMING AND CLIMATE CHANGE, SEEKING REDRESS AND RELIEF INCLUDING MONETARY DAMAGES."

The National debates this year was done virtually (video conference) on September 1, 2020. The general public was invited to join by visiting the FSM Supreme Court website: www.fsmsupremecourt.org and view the live stream..

STATISTICS: (FSMSCLL, Palikir, Pohnpei)

FSMSCLL Website:

- Hit Counter:5,886

Circulation:

- Checked Out Materials0
- Checked In Materials 0

Visitors: 14

