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- "American Presidents Series"** finds biographies by well-known scholars
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## Primary Sources: the President

*Official documents, texts of speeches & remarks*

Online: **HeinOnline database, "U.S. Presidential Library"**

In Print:

<i>Compilation of the Messages &amp; Papers of the Presidents</i>	J81 .U58	(1 <sup>st</sup> floor)
[Washington through Wilson; 1789-1921; 20 vols. + suppl.]		
<i>Public Papers of the Presidents</i> (indexes at back of each volume)		
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Online 1991 (Bush) forward: <a href="http://www.gpoaccess.gov/pubpapers/index.html">www.gpoaccess.gov/pubpapers/index.html</a>		
<i>Weekly Compilation of Presidential Documents</i>		
[Johnson through Reagan; 1965-1984]	Fed Docs GS 4.114: vol.	(3 <sup>rd</sup> floor)
[Reagan forward, 1985 - ]	Fed Docs AE 2.109: vol.	(3 <sup>rd</sup> floor)
Online 1993 (Clinton) forward: <a href="http://www.gpoaccess.gov/wcomp/index.html">www.gpoaccess.gov/wcomp/index.html</a>		
<i>Executive Orders. Code of Federal Regulations. Title 3, The President</i>		
[Roosevelt forward, 1936-1979, 1984, 1986 - ]	REF KF70 .A32	(4 <sup>th</sup> floor)
Online 1996 forward: <a href="http://www.archives.gov/federal-register/executive-orders/">www.archives.gov/federal-register/executive-orders/</a>		

## Primary Sources: the Congress

For an overview of Congressional actions year-by-year:

*Congressional Quarterly Almanac* (1945 – present) REF JK1 .C749 (4<sup>th</sup> floor)

Verbatim record of actions & debates in Congress:

*Congressional Record* Fed Docs X 1.1: congress (3<sup>rd</sup> floor)

In print, Grant (1873) forward; online, Bush (1989) forward: <http://thomas.loc.gov/>

For 1<sup>st</sup>-43<sup>rd</sup> Congress, 1789-1875, Washington-Grant, (earlier titles: *Annals of Congress*, *Register of Debates*, *Congressional Globe*), see:

A Century of Lawmaking for a New Nation: <http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/amlaw/lawhome.html>

Text of laws as passed by Congress & signed by the presidents:

Online: **HeinOnline database, "U.S. Statutes at Large"**

In print: *United States Statutes at Large* KF50 .U5 (1<sup>st</sup> floor)

## Primary Sources: the Supreme Court

For decisions of the United States Supreme Court:

Online: **HeinOnline database, "U.S. Supreme Court Library"**

In Print: *United States Reports* KF101 .A212 (1<sup>st</sup> floor)

## Primary Sources: Historical Newspapers

Digital archives with complete page images

**New York Times (Historical)** (1851-2006)

**Wall Street Journal (Historical)** (1889-1992)

**Washington Post (Historical)** (1877-1993)

## Find Scholarly Articles

Visit the Libraries' web page at [www.clemson.edu/library](http://www.clemson.edu/library)

Choose "Find Articles," then the "Political Science" link

Key Databases:

**Academic Search Premier** – multidisciplinary, with many peer-reviewed journals, back to 1975

**Lexis-Nexis** -- full text newspaper articles, magazines, transcripts, legal materials

**JSTOR** – archive of over 1100 core scholarly journals

**PAIS** (Public Affairs Information Service) -- references to articles in political & social science journals, some government reports, international scope

## Key Journals in Political Science

*American Journal of Political Science*

*American Political Science Review*

*American Politics Research*

*Cato Journal*

*Congress & the Presidency*

*Congressional Digest*

*CQ Weekly*

*Foreign Affairs*

*Foreign Policy*

*Journal of Politics*

*National Interest*

*National Journal*

*Orbis*

*Policy Studies Journal*

*Political Research Quarterly*

*Political Science Quarterly*

*Polity*

*Presidential Studies Quarterly*

*PS: Political Science & Politics*

*World Policy Journal*

*World Politics*

# Citing Your Sources

Examples from *The Complete Guide to Citing Government Information Resources*, pp. 20, 68-69. **Reference Desk Z7164 .G7G37 2002**

For the ***Public Papers of the Presidents***:

## CITING A PART WITHIN A VOLUME

"Inaugural Address" (Jan. 20, 1961) pp. 1-3. In *Public Papers of the Presidents of the United States: John F. Kennedy, 1961*. Washington: Government Printing Office, 1962.

"Remarks to the Community in Pittsburgh" (Apr. 17, 1993) pp. 450-53. In *Public Papers of the Presidents of the United States: William Jefferson Clinton, 1993* (Vol. 1). Available at: GPO Access, <http://www.gpo.gov/nara/pubpaps/srhpaps.html>; Accessed: 1/16/02.

## ALL THE VOLUMES OF A PRESIDENT

*Public Papers of the Presidents of the United States: John F. Kennedy*. Washington: Government Printing Office, 1962-1964.

## A SINGLE VOLUME OF A PRESIDENT

*Public Papers of the Presidents of the United States: John F. Kennedy, 1961*. Washington: Government Printing Office, 1962.

## A NON-GOVERNMENT EDITION

*The Public Papers and Addresses of Franklin D. Roosevelt*. New York: Random House, 1938-1950.

Thus, those older papers would be cited somewhat like this.

*Compilation of the Messages and Papers of the Presidents...: (Name of president)*. New York: Bureau of National Literature, 1917?

For the ***Congressional Record***:

Speech by a member:

Rep. Anderson (CA). "Legislation for the Care of Vietnamese Refugees," *Congressional Record* 121:10 (Apr. 25, 1975) pp. 12-52.

By title of a general debate topic:

"Religion and Schools," *Congressional Record* 20, Pt. 1 (Dec. 21, 1888) pp. 433-434.

From an online source:

"Consideration of the Energy Bill," *Congressional Record* (Feb. 5, 2002) p. S314. Available at: *Thomas* (Library of Congress), <http://thomas.loc.gov/>; Accessed: 1/25/10.