

“Searching for Genealogical Information in the New York State Library and New York State Archives Online Catalog”

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Where to Find Materials listed in the Online Catalog

The majority of the collections held by the New York State Library and New York State Archives are housed in “closed stacks”. Library and Archives staff retrieve material from researchers from these “closed stacks”. Look at the location listed on the catalog record for the item(s) you are interested then. Then look at the list below to determine where to request that item(s).

Items listed with a location of **R-Ref** are housed on shelving on the 7th floor. Researchers onsite can access these materials themselves.

Items listed with a location of **MA** can be books, microfilm or microfiche. Researchers onsite can access these materials themselves.

Location in the online catalog

A-MSC	Request at 11 th floor MSC reference desk
B	Request at 7 th floor Circulation Desk
C-stacks	Request at 7 th floor Circulation Desk
D-Mapcase	Request at 7 th floor Circulation Desk
D-Rolled	Request at 7 th floor Circulation Desk
D-NYS-Doc	Request at 7 th floor Circulation Desk
DISPLAY	7 th floor
G (Gotshell collection)	Request at 11 th floor MSC reference desk
J-serial	Request at 7 th floor Circulation Desk
L-Law (or L)	7 th floor
LAW-DIR	Request at 7 th floor Circulation Desk
LAW-ENCY	Request at 7 th floor Circulation Desk
LAW-FED (current materials)	7 th floor
LAW-FED (superceded materials)	Request at 7 th floor Circulation Desk
LAW-FOR LAW (current materials)	7 th floor
LAW-FOR (superceded materials)	Request at 7 th floor Circulation Desk
LAW-INDEX	7 th floor
LAW-NYS (current materials)	7 th floor

LAW-NYS (superceded materials)	Request at 7 th floor Circulation Desk
LAW-PAM	Request at 7 th floor Circulation Desk
LAW-PER	7 th floor
LAW-REG	7 th floor
LAW-RULES	Request at 7 th floor Circulation Desk
MA	7 th floor, Genealogy Area
MB	Request at 7 th floor Circulation Desk
MC (newspaper microfilm/microcard)	Request at 7 th floor Circulation Desk
MED PAM	Request at 7 th floor Circulation Desk
N	Request at 11 th floor MSC reference Desk
N/NOTT	Request at 11 th floor MSC reference desk
N/POLEMIC	Request at 11 th floor MSC reference desk
N/PORTER	Request at 11 th floor MSC reference desk
NETHERLAND	7 th floor
NEWSPAPER	Request at 7 th floor Circulation Desk
PLAY	Request at 7 th floor Circulation Desk
R-Ref (or R)	7 th floor
REPOSITORY	Historic Documents Inventory (HDI) Not held by NYSL or NYSA
RL	7 th floor
RN	Request at 7 th floor Reference Desk
RR	7 th floor
RT	7 th floor
SARASTACKS	Request at 11 th Archives Reference Desk
STATE-LAW (current material)	7 th floor
STATE-LAW (superceded material)	Request at 7 th floor Circulation Desk
TRIALS-COL	Request at 7 th floor Circulation Desk
TRIALS-IND	Request at 7 th floor Circulation Desk
US-Docs	Request at 7 th floor Circulation Desk
V (library vault)	Request at 11 th floor MSC Reference Desk
Z-stacks	Request at 7 th floor Circulation Desk
ZL/LAW	Request at 7 th floor Circulation Desk