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# Athenian Law

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# Athenian Law: Introduction


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## Introduction

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Athenian Law concepts underlie a wide assortment of legal issues, such as citizenship; sovereignty; constitutional law; legislative, executive, and judicial authority; jurisdiction; court and trial procedure, including trial-by-jury; criminal law; property law; and commercial law.

Researching Athenian Law can help one to better analyze and critique the foundation and development of current law as well as approaches to resolving current cultural, social, economic, and political issues.

See also these guides:

- Legal History Research Guide
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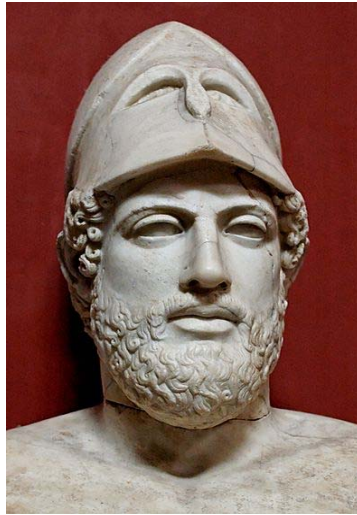


Photo of bust of Pericles by Jastrow.

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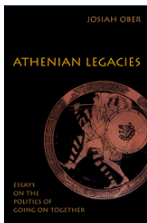
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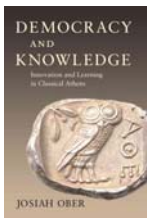
Unless otherwise noted, materials are in the Law Library.

- A New Working Bibliography of Ancient Greek Law  
Mark Sundahl, David Mirhady, and Ilias Arnaoutoglou. KL4111 .S86 2011. **A comprehensive bibliography.**
- The Athenian Constitution after Sulla  
Daniel J. Geagan. KL4361.5 .G43 2004  
Originally published in 1967. Also available on the HeinOnline World Constitutions Illustrated collection.



Athenian Legacies: Essays on the Politics of Going on Together  
CSU University Library JC75 .D36 O235 2005

- The Cambridge Companion to Ancient Greek Law  
Michael Gagarin and David Cohen, eds. CSU University Library  
KL4106.5 .C36 2005
- Citizen and Self in Ancient Greece: Individuals Performing Justice and the Law  
Vincent Farenga. JC75 .J8 F37 2006
- Civic Obligation and Individual Liberty in Ancient Athens   
Peter Liddel. JC75 .C5 L53 2007eb.
- Classical Athens and the Delphic Oracle: Divination and Democracy  
Hugh Bowden. CSU University Library DF261 .D35 B685 2005.



Democracy and Knowledge: Innovation and Learning in Classical Athens  
Josiah Ober. CSU University Library JC75 .D36 O25 2008

- Democracy and the Rule of Law in Classical Athens: Essays on Law, Society, and Politics  
Edward M. Harris. KL4361.32 .A75 H37 2006
- The Essentials of Greek and Roman Law  
Russ VerSteeg. KJA172 .V47 2010
- Interpreting the Athenian Empire  
John Ma, Nikolaos Papazarkadas, and Robert Parker. CSU University Library KF227 .I58 2009
- The Law and the Courts in Ancient Greece  
Edward M. Harris and Lene Rubinstein, eds. KL4345 .L39 2004
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Adriaan Lanni. KL4345 .L36 2006
- Solon the Thinker: Political thought in Archaic Athens  
John Lewis. CSU University Library PA4412 .S8 L49 2008

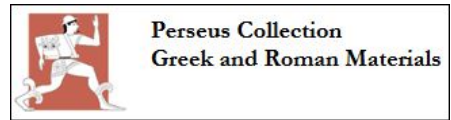


What Would Socrates Say about Our Constitution?

MediaSite recording (video & slides)

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Electronic versions of many classical materials are available from these digital collections:



Classics / Greek and Roman Materials

"Primary and secondary sources for the study of ancient Greece and Rome." Can browse by author or search the collection. Part of the Tufts University Department of Classics Perseus Digital Library.

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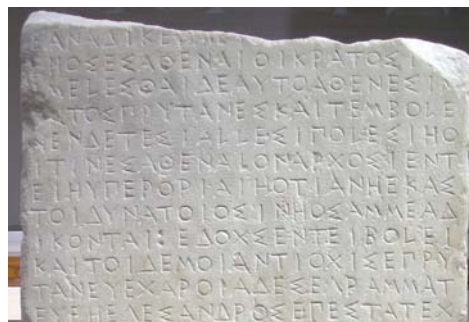


Photo of Athenian boule decree by Future Perfect at Sunrise.

See also the list of electronic **Classics journals** maintained by the American Philological Association. Several of these journals provide direct access to articles you can download.

- Ancient Philosophy  
CSU University Library B1 .A535; has 1991-2011.  
**Note:** Selected free electronic content from publisher's website.
- Arethusa   
EJournal. 1996-current.
- Bryn Mawr Classical Review   
EJournal. 1991-current.  
**Note:** 1990-current available on *Bryn Mawr Classical Review* website.
- The Classical Journal   
EJournal. 1905-current.
- The Classical Quarterly   
EJournal. 1907-current; most recent 6 years have indexing only.
- The Classical Review   
EJournal. 1887-current; most recent 6 years have indexing only.
- Greece and Rome   
EJournal. 1931-current.
- Greek, Roman, and Byzantine Studies  
CSU University Library DE1 .G73. 1971-2009.  
Also available as EJournal (2004-current).
- Hesperia: The Journal of the American School of Classical Studies at Athens  
**Note:** Provides open access to its articles for 1932-current.
- Journal of Hellenic Studies   
EJournal 1880-2012. Also available via CSU JSTOR subscription 1954-current (most recent 4 years indexing only)
- Phronesis: A Journal for Ancient Philosophy   
EJournal. 1955-current; most recent 36 months indexing only.

## Feed - The Stoa Consortium Blog

The Stoa Consortium blog. "Serving news, projects, and links for digital classicists everywhere." Originally created and edited by Ross Scaife.

**Note:** See additional Stoa resources under the Web-Based Resources & Databases tab of this guide.

- Digital Humanities Winter School, Palermo 2019 Jan 7, 2019
- Extended deadline: Studia UBB Digitalia, Digital Classics edition Nov 5, 2018
- Workshop: Digital Approaches in Greek Palaeography, London, Dec 14, 2018 Sep 28, 2018
- Curator, Digital Publications, British Library (London)
- One year Digital Humanities/French literature post, Lille Sep 11, 2018  
Sep 4, 2018

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## Associations, Research Centers & Digital Collections



American School of Classical Studies at Athens  
See its Digital Resources page for links to Athenian Agora Excavations materials (which include Site Guides/Books and Digital Images of law court furnishings and other artifacts), as well as its AMBROSIA Union Catalog.

[Photo to left is of Athenian jurors' identification tickets - artifacts from the Athens Athenian Agora Excavations.]

- Athenian Agora Excavations  
Beta/experimental site from the American School of Classical Studies at Athens. Provides an interactive tour of the Agora and Hellenistic Stoa of Attalos museum which houses public documents, jurors' identification tickets and thousands of other artifacts excavated from the site.
- Association of Ancient Historians  
"The largest organization in North America that is devoted exclusively to promoting teaching and scholarship in ancient history." See its Publications - Newsletters and Monographs pages.



Center for Hellenic Studies

Founded by Harvard University in 1960, made possible by a grant of the Old Dominion Foundation (now known as the Mellon Foundation). Located in Washington, DC. See its Publications pages, such as Digital Humanities


Projects.

- Centre for the Study of Ancient Documents  
Part of the Oxford University Ioannou Centre for Classical and Byzantine Studies. In particular, see its Imaging Projects page, which includes Images of Inscriptions organized by region (eg, Athens and Attica), and the Laconia Survey Inscriptions. [The Laconia Survey recorded inscriptions from "a 70 sq. km. area across the Eurotas river to the east of the ancient site of Sparta."]
- NOMOI: Bibliography on Ancient Greek Law  
"A bibliographical web site for the study of ancient Greek law." Edited by David Mirhady, Ilias N. Arnaoutoglou, and Mark Sundahl. Includes A Glossary of Athenian Legal Terms.
- Society for Classical Studies  
"The principal learned society for Classical Studies in North America." [Originally known as the American Philological Association.] See its Resources - Using Images in Teaching and Publications, which includes An Annotated List of Websites with Downloadable Digital Images (eg, Textual Material).
- The Stoa  
Initial page is its blog. In particular, see its Stoa Highlights section, which includes the Ancient City of Athens, "a photographic archive of the archaeological and architectural remains of ancient Athens" and Demos, "digital encyclopedia of classical Athenian democracy" edited by Christopher W. Blackwell. Site originally created by Ross Scaife.

## Databases

**In addition to researching legal databases, to fully understand and appreciate concepts of Athenian Law, you will likely need to conduct interdisciplinary research in philosophy and history.**

The CSU Michael Schwartz Library provides Research Guides covering Philosophy and History.

- CSU Michael Schwartz Library - Research Databases By Subject  
  
Select "Humanities," "Philosophy," and/or "History" for access to over 30 databases, such as Arts & Humanities Citation Index; Humanities International Complete (full-text); Philosopher's Index; and Historical Abstracts.

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**OneSearch** is CSU's beta federated search system, and is accessible from the Law Library home page (see box at upper right). It allows you to search multiple catalogs and databases at the same time, retrieving books, ebooks, audiovisual materials, articles, music scores, and more. Once connected, click [Help](#) at the top right for information on constructing searches and managing search results.

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