

Copyright and Fair Use Bibliography
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www.copyright.gov

This is an excellent site. The entire copyright law is available in PDF. Very comprehensive and helpful site. It talks about how to search for copyright records, factsheets, register a work, law and regulations. Best of all it is a government document and is copyright free.

www.genealogy.com/genealogy/14_cpyrt.html

This is an article by Gary B. Hoffman titled "Who Owns Genealogy? Cousins and Copyright."

He goes into some areas of copyright that I did not cover in my article. This is an excellent very readable and easy to understand introduction to the issues.

www.templetons.com/brad/copymyths.html

Brad Templeton writes an essay about "10 Big Myths About Copyright Explained." Excellent essay about online material and misconceptions the public may have about what is fair use, copyright etc.

www.cyndislist.com/ip/copyright-in-genealogy

Guide to many sources about copyright issues as they relate to genealogy

www.legalgenealogist.com

"A Certified GenealogistSM and Certified Genealogical LecturerSM with a law degree, *The Legal Genealogist* **Judy G. Russell** is a lecturer, educator and writer who enjoys helping others understand a wide variety of genealogical issues, including the interplay between genealogy and the law." I copied this introduction from her blog. I also heard her at the Fairfax Genealogy Conference this spring and she will be a featured speaker on the TMG cruise. I highly recommend you attend one of her presentations if you have the opportunity.

www.rightsdirect.com

Under the heading of International Copyright Basics is an excellent discussion about International copyright, treaties, public domain, fair dealing and fair use.

Please note: copyright law is very complex and has many grey areas and "It depends...." statements. These articles are meant as an overview only. If you are in need of serious legal advice please seek the services of a qualified attorney in your state or country that is familiar with these complicated issues.