# Collections

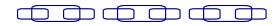


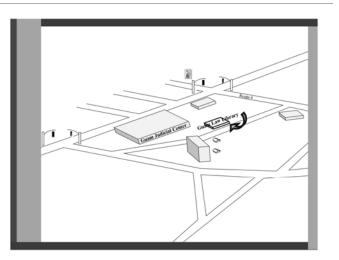
### The Collection:

- A. Treatises and Law Reviews
- B. Treatises, National Reporter System and Law Digests
- C. Guam and California Materials
- D. General Reference Materials
- E. Federal Materials

#### Facilities:

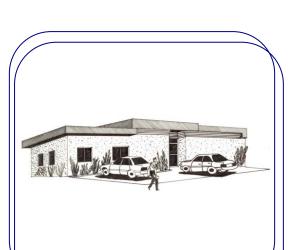
Computers for patron use Conference and study room Two Self Service Copiers Microfiche Room Study carrels for laptop computer use





The library is centrally located in Hagåtña adjacent to the Guam Judicial Center parking lot.

The Supreme Court of Guam and the Superior Court of Guam are located in the Guam Judicial Center. The library is also one block away from the Nieves M. Flores Memorial Library of the Guam Public Library System.



**Guam Law Library** 

Guam Law Library		
Hours		
Mon - Fri Saturday Sundays:	s: 9:00 a.m 3:	00 p.m.
Closed: Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day		

Open other holidays: 9:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m.

Phone: 671-477-7623 / 472-8062 Web site: www.guamlawlibrary.org



## History

The Guam Law Library was established pursuant to Guam Public Law 14-155 (1978). It is a tax-exempt, non-profit educational corporation. Donations to the Library are taxdeductible. It is the largest and most complete legal research center in Guam serving the entire Western Pacific Community.

The Board of Trustees is appointed by the Governor, the Legislature, the Judiciary and the Guam Bar Association. The first Board of Trustees purchased a small tin roofed house on San Ramon Road to serve as the headquarters for the Law Library.

In 1980, a first addition opened to an enthusiastic public. In 1988, a second building was added and in 1991 major reconstruction was begun to raze the original building. Completed in January 1993, the new reading room houses sets of general references as well as the California and Guam law sections. This building provides a focal point for the integration of all three wings, bringing the Law Library under a single roof.

In 1996, the addition was remodeled to expand the library to add a new conference room, a microfiche room and additional shelving. The Library continues to grow to serve the needs of the community.

### **Mission Statement**

Access to legal research materials is essential to the proper functioning of all branches of the Government and to effective legal representation for all segments of the public. The Library was founded for the purpose of "...establishing a territorial law library to provide adequate and readily accessible legal research materials for the growing needs of the Guam judicial system, practicing bar and general public."

- Consultant's Report, March 1979

# The Guam Law Library

# The Collection

In order to build a collection, the original Board of Trustees purchased the holdings of a defunct law school in California. That collection, comprising the bulk of the national reporter system now forms the core of the case law portion of the library's holdings.

The collection of the Guam Law Library contains over 50,000 volumes in paper format.

The library serves as a depository for decisions of the Superior Court and the Supreme Court of Guam. All public laws, executive orders and other legislative materials are also deposited with the library and are available for public use and copying.

## **Services**

The Guam Law Library provides services in the following areas:

- Interlibrary loan
- Copying
- Search and Copy
- Express Delivery (fax or email) of specific Legal Citations
- Conference Room Rental
- Computer Usage

Westlaw

Lexis

Computer Rental for Word Processing



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