



DECLARATION OF RIGHTS READING LIST

United States Bill of Rights

- The collective name for the first 10 amendments to the United States Constitution. These amendments guarantee a number of personal freedoms, limit the government's power in judicial and other proceedings, and reserve some powers to the states and the public.
- http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/United_States_Bill_of_Rights
- http://www.archives.gov/exhibits/charters/bill_of_rights_transcript.html

Declaration of the Rights of Man and of the Citizen

- A fundamental document of the French Revolution and in the history of human rights as universal. The Declaration was directly influenced by Thomas Jefferson, working with General Lafayette, who introduced it. Influenced also by the doctrine of “natural right,” the rights of man are held to be universal: valid at all times and in every place, pertaining to human nature itself. Inspired in part by the American Revolution, the Declaration was a core statement of the values of the French Revolution and had a major impact on the development of liberty and democracy in Europe and worldwide.
- http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Declaration_of_the_Rights_of_Man_and_of_the_Citizen
- http://www.conseil-constitutionnel.fr/conseil-constitutionnel/root/bank_mm/anglais/cst2.pdf

Fundamental Rights in India

- Fundamental Rights is a charter of rights contained in the Constitution of India. It guarantees civil liberties such that all Indians can lead their lives in peace and harmony as citizens of India. These include individual rights common to most liberal democracies, such as equality before the law, freedom of speech and expression, and peaceful assembly, freedom to practice religion, and the right to constitutional remedies for the protection of civil rights by means of writs such as habeas corpus.
- http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fundamental_rights_in_India
- PDF: <http://lawmin.nic.in/coi/coiason29july08.pdf>

Constitution of Brazil

- Drafted as a reaction to the period of military dictatorship, and sought to guarantee individual rights and restrict the state's ability to limit freedom, to punish offenses, and to regulate individual life.
- http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Constitution_of_Brazil
- PDF: <http://english.tse.jus.br/arquivos/federal-constitution>

Chapter Two of the Constitution of South Africa

- Chapter Two of the Constitution of South Africa contains the Bill of Rights, a human rights charter that protects the civil, political, and socioeconomic rights of all people in South Africa. The rights in the Bill apply to all law, including the common law, and bind all branches of the governments, including the national executive, Parliament, the judiciary, provincial governments and municipal councils.
- http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chapter_Two_of_the_Constitution_of_South_Africa
- PDF: <http://www.justice.gov.za/legislation/constitution/SACConstitution-web-eng-02.pdf>

