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Traffic Violation Research Guide

GENERALLY: There are two categories of traffic laws: traffic violations and traffic crimes. Traffic violations, such as failing to signal a turn, are handled by the traffic court, and offenders cannot be arrested or jailed for traffic violations. Many of the resources below are more geared towards these types of offenses.

If you are researching traffic crimes, our criminal law resource guide may also be of assistance.

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SUGGESTED RESOURCES:

BOOKS:

Traffic School – Handbook and audio program on traffic laws in Oregon. Found in the Oregon Collection under KFO 2697.T23 2008.

Beat Your Ticket: Go to Court and Win – Book published by NOLO, located on reserve, KF 2331.B76 2007 RES. Practical advice on how to fight a traffic ticket.

OTHER PRINT ITEMS:

Oregon Revised Statutes center of the Oregon Collection or online at https://www.oregonlegislature.gov/bills_laws/Pages/ORS.aspx

The library catalog may direct you to other helpful resources related to traffic offenses

<http://www.libraryworld.net/cgi-bin/opac.pl?command=signin&libraryname=lanecountylawlib&guest=allow>

WEBSITES:

Lane County Circuit Court—Traffic

<http://courts.oregon.gov/Lane/CriminalandTraffic/Traffic.page?>

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Oregon State Bar—Traffic Law

<http://www.osbar.org/public/legalinfo/traffic.html>

Oregon State Bar—“Traffic School: What every lawyer needs to know”

OSB Bulletin August/September 2008

<http://www.osbar.org/publications/bulletin/08augsep/traffic.html>

Oregon DMV Driver and Vehicle Information

<http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/DMV/>

Nolo Press—Traffic Tickets-Resource Center

<http://www.nolo.com/legal-encyclopedia/traffic-tickets/index.html>

Includes information about traffic tickets, what to do if you are pulled over, and FAQs about several traffic-related topics

Oregon Legal Research (Blog)—“Beat your ticket, get your day in court”

<http://oregonlegalresearch.blogspot.com/2007/07/beat-your-ticket-get-your-day-in-court.html>

Findlaw—Oregon Traffic Laws

<http://public.findlaw.com/traffic-ticket-violation-law/state-traffic-law/oregon-traffic-law.html>

Includes information about fighting traffic tickets, DUI/DWI, Stops and Searches, and other topics

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