

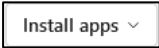
**Legal Research & Writing**  
**Section 3 (M/W 12:45-2:00, Map Room)**  
**Professor Jennifer Sekula**

**First Day Assignments for Monday, August 28**

**Read:**

- *A Lawyer Writes*
  - Introduction (pp. xix-xx)
  - Table 1-C (p. 12) – this is our roadmap for the semester
  - p. 15 to the top of p. 18 (skip “Legislative History”)
  - pp. 19-31
- *Researching the Law*
  - Chapter 2 (pp. 9-20)  
(This reading overlaps with the readings from *A Lawyer Writes* a bit, but this one describes the types and hierarchies of authority with more nuance while the former provides a higher-level overview.)
- An Issue of Sovereignty: <https://www.ncsl.org/quad-caucus/an-issue-of-sovereignty> (linked on Canvas)
- Excerpt: *June Med. Servs. v. Russo*, 140 S. Ct. 2103, 2134 (2020). (on Canvas)

**To do:**

1. Install Microsoft Office, free to you and available at <https://portal.office.com>
  - a. sign in with your VLGS credentials and click on  in the upper right
  - b. more information is available on VLGS IT’s website at <https://www.vermontlaw.edu/resources/technology>
2. Plan to attend a Teams-based **Westlaw** training session **on Aug. 28 or Aug. 30** (details on Canvas).
3. Plan to attend a Teams-based **Lexis** training session **on Aug. 29** (details on Canvas).