The Everyday Archivist: Who's using Perma.cc?

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Perma.cc

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What is Perma.cc?

- A user-driven tool to capture and play back individual web pages for citation in publishing or scholarship
- Originally created to address link-rot in legal opinions and scholarly publishing
- *Free to all* in academia and courts via their institutional library

Features

- Browser-based high-fidelity captures, short URL for citation
- WARC and screenshot capture
- Organizational tools for group management
- Bulk link creation

Adoption

- Over 250 academic libraries, including 80%+ of all U.S. Law Schools
- U.S. Federal and State courts
- Library of Congress, Department of Justice
- Over 1,000,000 user-created Perma Links
- Inclusion in style guides: BlueBook, McGill Guide, Chicago Manual of Style

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-online sources: Chicago Manual of Style, 17th ed.

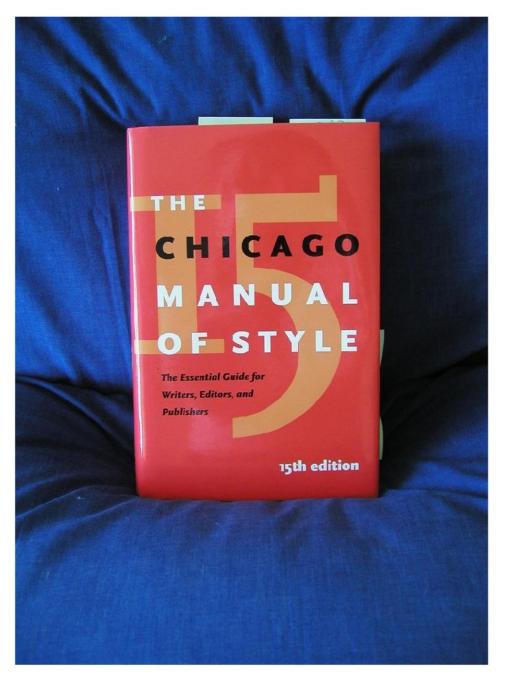


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Beyond academia + courts

- Recently began offering a paid-subscriber option
- Starting efforts focused on known areas: law firms
- Unexpected areas of interest:

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- Non-profits
- Journalists
- Publishers

Thank you!

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