



August 11, 2020

Mr. Vincent C. Henderson, II  
Arkansas Code Revisor  
Arkansas Code Revision Commission  
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Dear Vincent:

In response to your request, I am pleased to present the LexisNexis recommendations for volume replacements in 2021-2023 for the *Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated*. Enclosed is also a listing of all bound volumes with supplement sizes.

As you know, we are in a unique situation in that last year the Code Commission broke with long-standing tradition and only identified one year of replacement volumes. This creates a work-flow issue in that to keep on schedule in any given year, LexisNexis must work-up part of our replacement volume duties in advance of handing off to your office. Often this time frame occurs long before a suitable Code Commission meeting in which to identify replacement volumes occurs. Thus, unless we are pro-active and name these replacement volumes well in advance the smooth handoff of operational procedures between the State and LexisNexis is at jeopardy.

The Code Commission can solve this issue by adopting the three- year plan set out below, allowing both the state and LexisNexis to strategically plan work in the most productive and efficient manner in order to greatly benefit all Arkansas constituents.

### **2021-2023 Volume Replacement**

LexisNexis proposes publishing four volumes in 2021, eight volumes in 2022 and four volumes in 2023. While this may appear as a relatively high number, we have over the last few bienniums replaced fewer volumes than in the past which has resulted in many disproportionately large supplements and it would be beneficial to replace a greater number of volumes in order to make sure that the Code of Arkansas remains easy to use for practitioners. Furthermore, five of the volumes in need of replacement are recommended as "splits," very necessary for upkeep of the code but less onerous on staff resources.

The list below sets out the general factors considered in replacement volume analysis and the specific application of those factors to the replacement volume candidates that we recommend. The attached chart gives additional detail about these, as well as, all other volumes in the Code.

LexisNexis recommends replacement of 16 volumes from the list of twenty below. To keep the growth of the supplement in check, we propose replacing four in 2021, eight in 2022 and four in 2023.

- **3A:** Large supplement.
- **4A and 4B, 5:** All have stand-alone supplements. Recommend splitting into 4 volumes.
- **6B:** Supplement is stand-alone size.
- **7B:** Large supplement with volume last done in 2012. Popular with practitioners.
- **8A:** Explosion of pages since done in 2016; stand-alone supplement.
- **13A and 13B:** Although last done in 2016, 13A has a stand-alone supplement. Recommend doing both 13A and 13B together in order to more properly arrange material in volumes.
- **21:** Last done in 2016, with a stand-alone supplement. Recommend a volume split.
- **24B:** A large volume with a stand-alone supplement, a split is recommended.
- **25A and B:** Both these volumes have very large supplements, and a split volume is recommended for 25B.
- **28A and B:** Department renamed in 2017. Volumes last done in 2014 and 2010. 28A has a stand-alone supplement and 28B's supplement is quite large. Recommend splitting into 3 volumes.

### **Price Adjustment**

Pursuant to Section 3 of the contract, LexisNexis is also requesting the Commissions' approval for the following modest price adjustments for all purchases:

	Current	Proposed
Replacement Volumes:	\$39.00	\$40.50
Index	\$41.00	\$42.50
Cumulative Supplement	\$134.00	\$139.50

Please note that the Cumulative Supplement proposed price increase would not be effective until the 2023 supplement.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns regarding the information provided in this letter. I look forward to discussing these issues with the Commission.

Sincerely,



Leslie Metheney  
Director  
Government Content  
**Enclosure:** Chart

AR Code Volume	AR Code Title	Bound Volume Year	Bound Volume Pages	2019 Supp Pages (approx.)	Percent in Supp
1A	1,2	2017	640	100	16
1B	3	2017	414	117	28
2A	4	2020	IN PROCESS	N/A	N/A
2B	4	2016	567	85	15
2C	4	2011	790	140	18
3A	5	2013	933	293	31
3B	5	2016	774	206	27
4A	6	2018	728	377 (S)	52
4B	6	2018	699	355(S)	51
5	6	2013	1003	387(S)	39
6A	7	2018	396	123	31
6B	8	2018	553	368(S)	67
6C	9	2020	IN PROCESS	N/A	N/A
7A	10, 11	2012	482	172	36
7B	11	2012	733	282	38
8A	12	2016	756	375(S)	49
8B	12, 13	2015	535	166	31
9	14	2013	757	183	24
10	14	1998	577	170	29
11A	14	1998	752	201	27
11B	14	1998	677	164	24
12	14	1987	802	60	7
13A	15	2016	971	369(S)	38
13B	15	2009	530	177	33
14A	16	2010	496	157	32
14B	16	1999	453	126	28
15	16	2005	751	143	19
16	16	2016	1103	180	16
17A	17	2018	427	171	40
17B	17	2018	422	175	41
17C	17	2018	862	278	32
18	18	2015	771	58	8
19A	19	2016	564	244	43
19B	19	2016	721	187	26
20A	20	2018	681	247	36
20B	20	2018	746	266	36
20C	20	2018	875	233	27
21	21, 22	2016	989	386(S)	39
22	23	2015	849	234	28
23A	23	2012	618	248	40

23B	23	2012	667	315	47
24A	23	2014	546	155	28
24B	23	2014	978	330(S)	34
25A	24	2014	528	240	45
25B	24, 25	2014	779	358(S)	46
26A	26	2020	IN PROCESS	N/A	N/A
26B	26	2020	IN PROCESS	N/A	N/A
27A	26	2020	IN PROCESS	N/A	N/A
27B	26	2020	IN PROCESS	N/A	N/A
28A	27	2014	668	362(S)	54
28B	27	2010	745	288	39
29	28	2012	720	137	19
Constitutions		2019	947	51	5
Tables A		1995	630	28	
Tables B		2017	923	3	
Tables C		2017	468	125	