Chapter 1 : Law in Spanish | English to Spanish Translation - SpanishDict

a bilingual dictionary of legal terms, Spanish-English and English-Spanish. In his page authoritative compilation of legal terminology, Mr. Robb has.

The final product will be an online law dictionary which allows users to search in at least 20 languages for English translations of the legal terms in their languages. At launch, which is planned for January for the first few languages, there will be 10, English legal terms in the dictionary. Need for the dictionary Academics in the field of law and linguistics have complained for decades about the shortage of good bilingual legal dictionaries 1 pointing out that legal publishers are reluctant to spend the time or money required to produce a good legal dictionary2. These scholars have written extensively on the shortcomings of multilingual legal dictionaries, often concluding that most of them are mere word lists of dubious quality3. This is why we are now creating a single online database, which will allow users to engage in discussions of the meanings and consequences of legal terms in their languages and jurisdictions based on a common work. For example, a Chinese lawyer representing a Chinese client entering into a distribution agreement in Hungary would be able to gain an understanding of Hungarian legal concepts in a discussion with local Hungarian counsel as these concepts are defined in the World Law Dictionary in English with the essential benefit that his own Chinese legal concepts would also be translated, defined and compared with English in the same dictionary, thus making possible a comparison of the Hungarian and Chinese legal concepts relevant to these lawyers. Yet business persons around the globe must understand the laws of the countries in which they do business. Thus, the lawyers who help them navigate these local laws must be equipped with language their clients and in-house counsel can understand. As English legal terminology becomes more widely used internationally, the meanings of English legal terms become more established both in international commercial practice as well as in judicial decisions. This widespread use and stability, in turn, makes it easier for international business people and public servants to choose English when drafting agreements and other legal documents and harder to choose any other language. By thoroughly defining the legal terms of other languages and comparing them to English, these legal terms become clearer and more understandable and therefore easier for international parties to accept. Consequently, this dictionary would also have the benefit of strengthening the many legal languages of the world. The legal languages of the world should track the lingua franca of the business world: A multilingual dictionary of law should serve as a linguistic bridge that ensures accurate communication between speakers of different languages. The dictionary should not only provide translations of foreign legal language terms into English and vice versa communicative purpose , but also include a comparative law analysis that reveals the degree of functional equivalence between the foreign legal concept and the Anglo-American legal concept cognitive purpose. The dictionary should provide references to relevant sources of law and linguistic context, which clearly identifies the legal systems of the source and target languages e. Where the foreign legal term or concept has no functional counterpart in English, then this fact should be clearly stated and a new term should be created in English neologism based on a uniform descriptive system. Such neologisms should be identified as such to avoid confusion. A multilingual dictionary of law should use a single, baseline language to explain, and a single analytical method to compare, critical legal terms and concepts of different countries. The quality of the English entries should be vetted and guaranteed by a team of experienced lawyer-linguists, who have practiced law in various Anglo-American jurisdictions, developed legal English courses with prestigious academic institutions and have worked extensively in the legal translation industry and by legal practitioners and academics in those foreign language jurisdictions who confront those Anglo-American legal terms and concepts in their everyday work. The source of the entries should also rely on the state-of-the-art software that ranks and quantifies word searches. The quality of the foreign language entries, the translations and the comparative law notes on functional equivalency should be guaranteed through the scholarship of leading foreign law faculties. The dictionary should be written specifically for its primary users: The dictionary should be online and easily searchable using the latest technology. The dictionary of law should have sub-field classifications and filtering options. The dictionary of

law should serve as a training platform to teach visitors to the site on how to use the English legal terms through online language exercises and learning materials. The dictionary should continue to evolve over the years, and should be continuously updated and improved to track changes in the laws and legal systems. Kim-Prieto, En la tierra del ciego, el tuerco es rey: TransLegal now plans to further expand this search tool by introducing local language functionality. How the project works In a unique programme of partnerships with universities around the world, TransLegal is making its database of Legal English materials available free of charge on a permanent basis to the students and faculty of the partner universities. TransLegal has already entered into cooperation agreements with several universities and discussions are underway with several others. Benefits to the university The benefits to the university are several. Secondly, this law dictionary will be an important contribution to the local language and its legal terminology. Through the academic work carried out in producing the dictionary, a greater understanding will be obtained by the users of the dictionary throughout the world of the legal terminology and legal system of each participating country thus facilitating cross-border commerce. Thirdly, the partner university will receive world-class, online teaching materials free of charge for permanent use by all of the students and faculty of the university. Benefits to the student authors The students who participate in this project at each partner university will receive a valuable education in comparative legal terminology â€" essential skills in their future career in the law. Finally, over the course of their work on the project, they will have an opportunity to interact on a professional basis with other law students, lawyers and faculty around the world and to form professional contacts in their law career. This is a unique opportunity for students who are planning a law career with international aspects. Universities TransLegal enters into a cooperation agreement with the law faculty of one leading university for each language with the exception being cases where there are variations of a language e. Austrian German or Quebec French in which case TransLegal enters into a cooperation agreement with a law faculty in this other country as well. Native English-speaking lawyers often use an English law dictionary differently than lawyers who are non-native speakers of English. Lawyers for whom English is a second language often need to know how to use the word in a sentence, how to pronounce the word, what common mistakes to avoid e. Each definition has been graded so that it can be understood by intermediate-level speakers of English. Where more complex language has been unavoidable in the definitions, this language has been defined in parentheses. Corpora, legal texts and authoritative guides to contemporary usage e. Exercises Our exercises feature a range of task types designed to train the essential vocabulary of law. The tasks also help lawyers develop the reading and listening skills needed to work in English as a lingua franca. The exercises are based on a vast bank of texts covering the major areas of commercial law, together with other key areas such as public law, criminal law and English for Academic Legal Purposes. Videos Our video lessons cover a wide range of topics from specialist areas of law through to commonly confused terms. The clips are engaging, and are written and presented by our team of British and American lawyers. A further benefit of the videos is the exposure to a number of different accents and presentation styles. Posts Our dictionary has been designed to give short, clear descriptions for lawyers with English as a second language who need to understand a term quickly. However, lawyers will sometimes need more background information. Our posts have been produced with this need in mind by our team of lawyer-linguists, each with their own areas of specialist legal expertise. It was produced by the Council of Europe. Its main aim is to provide a method of learning, teaching and assessing which applies to all languages in Europe. Using plain language to clarify the terms rather than simplify them, complex legal concepts are made more accessible to learners of English. The CEFR provides a common basis for language education in the key areas of curriculum development, the design of teaching and learning materials, and the assessment of foreign language proficiency. One of its main achievements has been to develop a comprehensive set of scaled descriptions of the components of language proficiency at all levels across a range of skills. For example, a learner of English at B2 level can perform a number of relatively complex tasks, including asking questions for clarification when following a presentation, understanding the general meaning of both routine and non-routine correspondence, and writing reports and correspondence. Relevancy The relevancy of the results shown after a search is one of the cornerstones of a successful search database. TransLegal ensures that the results returned upon a search of a legal term are accurate and relevant

by manually linking exercises, videos, dictionary entries, posts and other Legal English materials to the relevant terms. This means that TransLegal does not use algorithms or other automated systems to predict relevancy. Instead, the lawyer-linguists at TransLegal have manually matched each database entry to the legal terms relevant to it in order to ensure that the results are highly relevant. Stages of work English language content 10, English dictionary entries have already been completed. In addition, we constantly monitor searches made by the users in the database to identify any sought-after terms not already included in our database and we update our materials accordingly. Identification of essential local law terms Using leading local language law dictionaries and other resources, the partner university will identify local language legal terms that are essential to include in the search function. English translations or near equivalents should already be in the TransLegal dictionary for most of these terms. However, this work is essential in order to identify any missing terms stage 4. Identification of missing terms After receiving the list of essential local law terms that have been identified by the partner university, TransLegal will compare the essential local language legal terms with the translated terms the partner university has produced in stage 2 and determine which terms are not covered. Translation of missing terms into English The partner university will suggest English translations for any missing terms identified in stage 4 so that TransLegal can create English dictionary entries for these. The partner university will also provide suggestions for links to English words in the TransLegal dictionary that might be helpful for the user. IT platform Description of the IT platform Due to the limitations of out-of-the-box eLearning and dictionary systems, we have over the last few years been developing our own solutions in-house, based on WordPress. More recently we have been migrating our services to the new systems and gradually opened these up to the public. Current functionality Through links to relevant legal terms, language exercises, and videos, the online dictionary provides users with rapid access to highly relevant resources and materials. Videos and sound recordings also provide the user with valuable tools for pronunciation help. Future functionality One of the greatest advantages of the dictionary is the fact that all of the languages are aimed at the same English language content meaning that any future improvements to the functionality of the English content and the amount of English content benefit all of the other languages. TransLegal will continue to expand the English dictionary with new terms and more in depth content. For example, beginning in , TransLegal will be adding sample documents to illustrate the usage of legal terms. The database can be easily accessed from any computer connected to the Internet and no special software is needed.

Translation of law from the Collins English to Spanish Dictionary Pronouns A pronoun is a word you use instead of a noun, when you do not need or want to name someone or something directly, for example, it, you, none.

Special signs and symbols. Subject and usage labels Latin biological and botanical names. Explanation of the use of a word or expression. The context word or phrase. A truncated form of the definition. However, like Haas before him, Steiner also emphasizes the need to offer access to the traditional fundamentals of a dictionary entry, such as parts of speech, pronunciation, etymology, and the like. As noted above, few of the bilingual legal dictionaries â€¦ offer such data, and this lack may indicate deeper structural issues within the current ad hoc approach to creating and assessing bilingual legal dictionaries. The first two items, in particular, are not necessarily apparent upon first read. Some of the least satisfactory dictionaries, in fact, offer little more than the truncated form of a definition for the term in question. This suggests that the provision of equivalency lists, which stand in for bilingual legal dictionaries, requires less time and effort than creating more comprehensive bilingual legal dictionaries. The implications are clear: Bilingual legal dictionaries should be restricted to offering suggestions for translations based on legal areas, tying both source language terms and target language terms to a particular legal system. If this is not adhered to, the make-up of the dictionary becomes unclear and precludes easy and reliable consultation. Alternatives should be identified according to area of law, system and use. The dictionary should indicate the degree of equivalence: The absence of an equivalent term in the legal system s related to the target language should be mentioned expressly. In that case, subsidiary solutions should be offered. Neologisms must be identified as such, so as to avoid these being used by those consulting the dictionary as terms belonging to the legal system related to the target language. Ideally, the suggestion for a particular neologism should be reasoned. The proposed translations must be reconsidered in the event of changes in either the legal system related to the source language or that related to the target language. It is worth noting that de Groot and van Laer follow their list with this assessment: Regrettably, very few legal dictionaries published so far have attempted to meet these requirements. This paper, in contrast, offers evaluative criteria that privilege concision and relevance over comprehensiveness and erudition. In other words, we should evaluate bilingual legal dictionaries only upon the criteria that matter to those who consult these dictionaries. Readers consult bilingual legal dictionaries because they need useful data about comparative legal systems and differing legal languages that are presented authoritatively in a manner that emphasizes the verifiability of such data. Readers need bilingual legal dictionaries to provide information that can be used to bridge legal systems and languages, information that carries authority across these systems and languages, and information that is presented in a manner facilitating the verification of supporting authority. Obviously, bilingual legal dictionaries must demonstrate their use by providing target-language access to the meanings of source-language legal terms. Bilingual legal dictionaries must serve the following uses, inter alia: In short, the concept of utility may be best understood as being composed of two related concepts: Entries in his dictionaries are not merely bolstered with citations to statutes, cases, or regulations where appropriate; rather, his entries make clear the doctrinal and jurisdictional distinctions extant among Spanish-speaking nations. As demonstration of this authority, consider his treatment of the topic of forum non conveniens, a term that, due to its Latinate roots, is at least moderately understandable to the Americantrained lawyer, irrespective of linguistic, cultural, and professional distinctions between North American and Latin American legal practice. Other English-Spanish legal dictionaries, including the Vargas item discussed above, apparently rely upon this familiarity and do not treat this topic as meriting an entry. Dahl, however, includes ten distinct and separate entries on the topic, indicating that at least nine Spanish-speaking jurisdictions differ with respect to their interpretations of this long-standing judicial doctrine. Both items are annotated infra. Few English-Spanish legal dictionaries demonstrate much by way of authority without relying upon one of the strategies outlined immediately above. But rather than call into question the utility of etymology within legal dictionaries, this oversight implies that bilingual legal dictionary makers have been less than diligent in providing helpful data about particular words or phrases. As Avalos has noted, law and language are both

culturally bound. This is due in large part to the fact that a society builds its language and law upon foundations derived from their unique culture and history. As such, data on the origins of a linguistic or legal term would logically reveal some information about the source of the term, and perhaps offer scholars of comparative law access to another medium for comparison of legal systems and doctrines. Doctrina que permite a un juez competente rehusar el conocimiento de una causa cuando el lugar del foro es inconveniente a las partes o los testigos. My translation of this entry cited above reads as: This definition does not provide the reader with any indication that the doctrine of forum non conveniens is problematic, if not outright contrary to doctrine, among Latin American jurisdictions, nor does it allow the reader to understand the various jurisdictional distinctions with respect to forum non conveniens among the nations of Latin America. Language is the essence of the law. The Law is substantially formulated through language. They are formalized communication systems because they both are governed by their own rules of creation and reproduction. There is non-language law, but it is minor and requires little translation. The non-language law I am talking about are things such as traffic signs, sirens, policemen hand directions and other such things. However, while Dahl provides access to language, he does not provide the access to doctrine and equivalent legal concepts that Vargas provides. This author knows of no other dictionary that provides access to legal abbreviations relevant to Latin American law and practice. Appropriately enough, this is one of the more frequently collected items among the English-Spanish legal dictionaries annotated below. While some offer marginally useful access to fundamental concepts or terms within the target system, their utility as a reference is suspect. Others could be considered useful as a reference, but only if one suspends disbelief with respect to the authoritative characteristics of the volume. Examples from Dahl and Vargas notwithstanding, the current state of English-Spanish legal dictionaries is rather grim.

Chapter 3 : Wiley's English-Spanish and Spanish-English Legal Dictionary /â€¦ | | Free PDF Ebooks Downl

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Chapter 8 : Black's Law Dictionary - Free Online Legal Dictionary

Free Dictionary english spanish for Law. Main Entry: The legal Dictionary Dictionaries in General. Roy M. Mersky & Donald J. Dunn, Fundamentals of Legal Research (8th ed.): "Law dictionaries provide definitions of words and phrases.

Chapter 9 : Undue Delay | Free Online Dictionary of Law Terms and Legal Definitions

McGraw-Hill's Spanish and English Legal Dictionary is a practical, multicultural reference that defines hundreds of core terms in business law, civil and criminal law, constitutional law, family law, labor law, procedural law, liability, probate, property law, and international trade agreements.