

# Suggested Reading

## Websites

### The Center for Women's History, New-York Historical Society.

Opened in 2017, the Center is the nation's first permanent public exhibition and educational center dedicated to women's history. [www.nyhistory.org/womens-history](http://www.nyhistory.org/womens-history).

**The Avalon Project: Documents in Law, History and Diplomacy, Yale Law School.** *Commentaries on the Laws of England*, Book the First: Chapter the Fifteenth: "Of Husband and Wife." Sir William Blackstone's text on coverture. [http://avalon.law.yale.edu/18th\\_century/blackstone\\_bk1ch15.asp](http://avalon.law.yale.edu/18th_century/blackstone_bk1ch15.asp).

**The Dolley Madison Digital Edition**, edited by Holly C. Shulman. A subscription website containing Dolley Madison's known correspondence, both sent and received. <http://rotunda.upress.virginia.edu/dmde/>.

**The George Washington Portrait.** <http://www.mountvernon.org/george-washington/artwork/dolley-madison-comes-to-the-rescue/>. For a photo of the portrait during its 2004 reframing, showing its large scale: <https://www.whitehousehistory.org/photos/reframing-of-gilbert-stuarts-george-washington-portrait>.

**James Madison Papers: Early Access.** A free collection of over 9,000 documents pertaining to James Madison, 1806–1836. <http://rotunda.upress.virginia.edu/founders/default.xqy?keys=FOEA-print-02&mode=TOC>.

**James Madison's Montpelier.** In private hands for several decades after Dolley Madison sold the estate in 1844, Montpelier is now owned by the National Trust for Historic Preservation, and is operated and administered by the Montpelier Foundation. <https://www.montpelier.org/>.

**Library of Congress, American Memory, Women's History Collections.** <https://memory.loc.gov/ammem/browse/ListSome.php?category=Women%27s%20History>.

**National Women's History Museum.** The planned museum is not yet built, but the website offers historical biographies and other resources. <https://www.nwhm.org/>.

**White House Historical Association.** Articles and primary sources about Dolley Madison and James Madison can be found at <https://www.whitehousehistory.org/search?q=Dolley+Madison> and <https://www.whitehousehistory.org/search?q=James+Madison>.

**Women's Rights National Historical Park**, Seneca Falls, New York. <https://www.nps.gov/wori/index.htm>.

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