**Newsbank** provides access to complete full-text content of local and regional news published in *The State* newspaper. Coverage includes features, sports, entertainment, community events, schools, politics, government policies, cultural activities, local companies, state industries, and people in the community. The archives contain in-depth information on local and regional issues, as well as national and international news, and extend back to late 1987, although some content was removed. Paid advertisements and syndicated columns are not included.

*Newsbank* offers two other news services: 1) **America's Obituaries and Death Notices**, an easy-to-use interface allows searching by name, date range, or text such as institutional name, social affiliation, geographic location, philanthropic activities, etc., and 2) **America's Newspapers,** a database containing more than 600 US newspapers.

> Computer commands, field names and mouse actions are in *Italics*.
> Text that you must type is within single quote marks (' ').

### *The State* Newspaper Archive

> **Go to: RCPL Web site ([www.myrcpl.com](www.myrcpl.com))**
> Hover over: *Research and Learning*
> Click on: *Research Tools*
> Click on: *News and Magazines*
> Find: *Newsbank* and click *inside the library* or *home access*
> Click on: *State, The*

⭐ Click *New Search* (top right of the *Search* button) to begin each new question.

**1. I need information on Governor Sanford's platform and campaign in 2002.**
- ❑ Type 'Sanford campaign platform governor' in the search box.
- ❑ Type '2002' in the *Date* box
- ❑ Click the red *Search* button.

**2. I am looking for Elsie D. Heller's obituary. She lived in Newberry, and I think she died in 2003 or 2004.**
- ❑ Type 'Elsie adj2 heller' in the search box.

Tip*: Using adj2 between Elsie and Heller searches for these words within 2 words of each other – searching this way locates the name even if a maiden name, nickname, middle name, or middle initial is used.

Tip*: Newsbank only indexes *The State* as far back as 1987, and many of those earlier years do not contain all the content from each newspaper. Obituaries may also be searched using America's Obituaries and Death Notices, which is also in Newsbank. The library can assist you in finding older obituaries on microfilm.

- ❑ Click the red *Search* button.

**3. I'd like some articles about the controversy over removing the Confederate flag from the State House in Columbia. When I tried just a keyword search I got a lot of articles that just mentioned the flag but weren't really about it.**
- ❑ Type: 'confederate flag state house' in the search box.

- ❑ Click on the drop-down menu to the left of the search box.
- ❑ Select *Headline* from the menu.
- ❑ Click the red *Search* button.

## *America's Obituaries and Death Notices*

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Click on:  *News and Magazines*
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Click on:  *America's Obituaries and Death Notices*

⭐ Click *New Search* (top right of the *Search* button) to begin each new question.

1. **I'm looking for my grandfather's obituary.  His name was Joseph Doman but sometimes he went by Joe; I don't know which name would have been in the newspaper.**
   - ❑ In the top left *Name of Deceased* box, type '(Joseph or Joe) Doman'.  Using the parentheses will give results with either name.
   - ❑ Click the red *Search* button.

2. **I'm looking for obituaries of people who were affiliated with the Order of the Eastern Star who have died in South Carolina.**
   - ❑ In the top right *Obituary Text* box, type 'Eastern Star'.
   - ❑ Scroll down past the map of the United States until you see individual state names. They are organized by regions – you'll find South Carolina under *South Atlantic*.
   - ❑ Click the box next to *South Carolina*.

   Tip*. If you want to search a specific newspaper or see which newspapers are indexed, click on the state name or the outline of the state on the map.

   - ❑ Scroll back up to the top of the page to click the red *Search* button.

3. **I'm organizing a class reunion and we need to find obituaries of Citadel graduates who died between 2000 and 2007.**
   - ❑ In the top middle *Limit By Date* box, type '2000-2007'.
   - ❑ In the top right *Obituary Text* box, type 'Citadel'.
   - ❑ Click the red *Search* button.

## *America's Newspapers*

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Click on:  *News and Magazines*
Find: *Newsbank* and click *inside the library* or *home access*
Click on:  *America's Newspapers*

⭐ Click *New Search* (top right of the *Search* button) to begin each new question.

1. **I need articles from Texas newspapers on controversies over textbook coverage of evolution.**
   - ❑ Type 'evolution textbooks' in the top search box.
   - ❑ Scroll down past the map of the United States to find individual states.
   - ❑ Click the box next to *Texas*.
   - ❑ Scroll up to the top of the page to click the red *Search* button.

2. **Several years ago there was an article in the Bangor Daily News about the Great Schooner Race.  I used to have a clipping, but I lost it.**
   - ❑ Type '"great schooner race"' in the top search box.
   - ❑ In the second box, type 'Bangor Daily News'.
   - ❑ Change the drop down menu to the left of this box to *Source*.
   - ❑ Click the red *Search* button.