



Fresno City College Library Legal Questions?

I need a law. I have a citation, like 18 USCS 6005 or Labor 6900.1.

Federal law? See *United States Code Service* (R 348.732 U58) or Lexis Database Federal Code. (In Lexis, search cite as “18 uscs sec 6005”).

California law? See *West’s Annotated California Codes* (R 340.794 W51) or Lexis Database State Code. (In Lexis, search cite as “cal lab code sec 6900.1”).

Other states? See Lexis Database State Code.

I need a law. I have a subject, like driving laws.

Federal law? See *United States Code Service General Index* (R 348.732 U58) or Lexis Database Federal Code for keyword searching.

California law? See *West’s Annotated California Codes General Index* (R 340.794 W51) or *Cal Jur General Index* (R 340.9794 C15) or Lexis Database State Code for keyword searching.

Laws for other states? See Lexis Database State Code for keyword searching.

I need a case. I have a subject, like sexual harassment.

Federal cases? See *United States Supreme Court Digest Index to Decisions, Annotations, and Digest* (R 348.734 U58) or *West’s Federal Practice Digest (2d, 3d, and 4th) Descriptive Word Index* (R 348.7346 W51) or Lexis Database Federal Case Law for keyword searching.

California cases? See *West’s California Digest Descriptive Word Index* (R 348.794 W53) or Lexis Database State Case Law for keyword searching.

Cases from other states? See Lexis Database State Case Law for keyword searching.

I need a case. I have the name, like Smith v. Jones.

Federal case? See *United States Supreme Court Digest Table of Cases* (R 348.734 U58) or *West’s Federal Practice Digest (2d, 3d, and 4th) Table of Cases* (R 348.7346 W51) or Lexis Database Get a Case.

California case? See *West’s California Digest Table of Cases* (R 348.794 W53) or Lexis Database Get a Case.

Other State? See Lexis Database Get a Case.

Not sure? Search Lexis Database Get a Case.

I need a case. I have a citation, like 646 F. 2d. 496.

Federal case? See *United States Supreme Court Reports* (R 347.9 U58) or *Federal Reporter* (R 348.734 F29) or *Federal Supplement* (R 348.734 F29) or Lexis Database Get a Case.

California case? See *West's California Reporter* (R 345.43 W52) or *California Reports* (R 345.45 C15) or *California Appellate Reports* (R 345.43 C15) or Lexis Database Get a Case.

Other State? See Lexis Database Get a Case.

Not sure? See examples of case citation formats below or Lexis Database Get a Case.

Examples of Case Citations

Federal

139 L. Ed. 2d 25	United States Supreme Court Reports
118 S Ct. 62	Supreme Court Reporter (Not at FCC. See Lexis Database.)
514 U.S. 673	United States Reports (Not at FCC. See Lexis Database or spines of L. Ed. 2d.)
65 U.S.L.W. 3204	United States Law Week (Not at FCC. See Lexis Database.)
100 F 1	Federal Reporter (Federal Circuit Court of Appeals)
134 F.3d 817	Federal Reporter 3 rd Series
789 F. Supp. 320	Federal Supplement (Federal District Courts)
19 F Supp. 2d 104	Federal Supplement 2 nd Series

State

30 Cal. Rptr. 383	West's California Reporter
247 Cal. App. 2d 258	California Appellate Reports (also cross reference in West's California Reporter)
247 C.A. 2d 258	California Appellate Reports (also cross reference in West's California Reporter)
19 Cal 4 th 142	California Reports 4 th Series (California Supreme Court) (also cross reference in West's California Reporter)