Resources for Drafting Contracts

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Finding Contracts

• SCENARIO that will happen over and over:

- You are asked to draft a brand new contract or craft a new contract clause
- you have never written a K like the one you are about to draft.





The typical approach



web development agreement

Google Search

I'm Feeling Lucky



You get what you pay for

Issues to think about

- Author/Creator
- Date of sample
- Contract style/clauses
- Content
- Industry
- Guidance/Analysis

Fee-based places to obtain K samples and guidance

- Bloomberg Law (forms + analysis)
- Westlaw = Practical Law Company (forms + analysis)
- Lexis Advance (forms + analysis)
- Legal websites for a \$fee\$/form

Quality free sources

<u>State websites</u> have free forms (but no analysis) Print books at your local library have forms (and analysis on how to fill the form in)

Example from Bloomberg law

Corporate & Transactions – Practical Guidance – Forms & Filings – ALI-ABA Forms Library Corporate & Transactions – Practical Guidance – Precedent Documents & Clauses Practice Centers – Tech & Telecom– Transactional Resources

Example from Westlaw/PLC

Practical Law - Intellectual Property & Technology -"Web development agreement"

Example from Lexis

Practice Advisor - Practice Areas - Intellectual Property & Technology "website development agreement"

Final Thoughts

- Don't start from scratch because you have resources to help you work better.
- Contact the reference/research librarian
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