

Procedural Research

Reference Librarian

*Please log in to your Lexis and Westlaw accounts, and please sit in your assigned groups.
We will be doing in-class research exercises today.*





What is Procedural Research?

- How and when to file documents in court
- What information needs to be included in filings
- What format filings need to be in

Housekeeping Items

- **CEB OnLaw Pro**
 - <https://research.ceb.com/register/academic>
 - USD Law registration code: SDX23
- Complete our **Fall 2022 Research Instruction Evaluation**
 - <https://bit.ly/LRCFall>

Enter terms, citations, databases, questions, anything ...

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Precision Research

For select topics, Westlaw attorney editors have tagged and classified new attributes in cases from 2010 to present along with select older, leading cases.

Now you can search and filter by legal issue and outcome, fact pattern, motion type and outcome, and more, to quickly find a core set of highly relevant cases. Then use traditional tools to find the rest of what you might need.

Precision Attributes

Legal issue and outcome • Fact pattern • Material facts
Cause of action • Motion type and outcome • Party type
• Area of law

Learn more about Precision Research

- 1 Use Precision Search to find a core set of highly relevant cases quickly



- 2 From these cases, use tools like KeyCite and Key Numbers to find the rest of what you might need easily



Start Precision Search

Watch the video

Search by topic

- Arbitration **New**
- Insurance **New**
- Real Estate **New**
- Antitrust
- Commercial Law
- Employment Law
- Federal Civil Procedure
- Federal Class Actions
- Federal Discovery and ...

More topics coming soon
View all topics information



Procedural Research

- Procedural practice guides
- Court rules
- Jurisdiction is key!

Procedural Research Tips

- Think about jurisdiction first and foremost.
- The easiest way to access procedural practice guides is to search by title
- Or, use the word wheel in either Westlaw or Lexis to come up with suggested titles
- Keyword searching for procedural topics does not work as well
- Use the LRC catalog if you don't know which database to start in

California Procedure

Pre-Trial

Civil Procedure Before Trial (Rutter Guide) ([Westlaw](#))

Cal. Civil Discovery ([Lexis](#))

Cal. Civil Procedure Before Trial ([CEB Pro](#) or [Lexis](#))

During Trial

Cal. Trial Practice: Civil Procedure During Trial ([CEB Pro](#) and [Lexis](#))

Civil Trials & Evidence (Rutter Guide) ([Westlaw](#))

Cal. Trial & Post-Trial Civil Procedure ([Lexis](#))

Post-Trial

Cal. Civil Appellate Practice ([CEB Pro](#))

Enforcing Judgments & Debts (Rutter Guide) ([Westlaw](#))

Civil Appeals and Writs (Rutter Guide) ([Westlaw](#))

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