

**Resources For Learning Legal Research: Westlaw, Lexis & CALI**

The following resources are available to supplement student's training and enhance research skills using Westlaw and Lexis.

**WESTLAW**

Log on to Westlaw at <http://lawschool.westlaw.com>

- Westlaw Survival Guide
  - Located on Westlaw's main page – 1<sup>st</sup> tab underneath "Home"
  - Tips on legal research, legal writing, exams and preps
- Westlaw Training
  - Westlaw main page – 2<sup>nd</sup> tab underneath "Research"
  - Basic Westlaw tutorials and KeyCite tutorials
  - Advanced Westlaw training and online topical seminars
  - Information about on campus and in-person training
- Westlaw User Guides
  - <http://west.thomson.com/westlaw/guides/com.aspx>
  - Provides information on:
    - Using Westlaw – general guide
    - Searching for cases on Westlaw
    - Retrieving statutes on Westlaw
    - Federal regulatory research on Westlaw and more
- Telephone Help
  - Phone help from West Reference Attorneys by dialing 1-800-850-WEST or 1-800-850-9378
- Email Help
  - Send an email to a West Reference attorney at: [west.referenceattorney@thomson.com](mailto:west.referenceattorney@thomson.com)
- Customer Service
  - Send an email to Westlaw Customer service at: [west.customer.service@thomson.com](mailto:west.customer.service@thomson.com)

**LEXIS**

Log on to LexisNexis at <http://www.lexisnexis.com/lawschool>

- 2007 LexisNexis Directory of Online Services
  - KF 242. A1 L495 on Library Reserve
  - Lists all the basic information you need to use LexisNexis Services.
- Customer Support by Phone
  - Phone help from Lexis by dialing: 1-800-543-6862
- Live Research Help
  - <http://www.lexisnexis.com/lawschool/help/>
  - Live chat
- 24 Hour Help Line
  - Available 24 hours a day by dialing 1-800-45-LEXIS or 1-800-455-3947
- LexisNexis for students
  - Located in LexisNexis homepage – side panel
  - Provides tours and tutorials includes topics such as
    - Case briefs

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- Retrieving a document
- Terms & connectors searching
- Statutory research
- Advanced Shepard's skills
- Reference and literature guides
- Study Aids

**CALI: The Center for Computer Assisted Legal Research**

- The Center for Computer-Assisted Legal Instruction ("CALI") is a non-profit consortium of law schools that offers more than 300 lessons in 29 different legal topic areas, including legal research.
- To use the CALI site you will need to register by following the steps below:
  - Go to CALI's new homepage at <http://www2.cali.org>
  - Click on the "Not a registered user yet? – Click here" link in the blue bar to the right of the page.
  - Fill out the online form. Use NUSL's authorization code, **NORTHEstu149**, and create your own password.
  - Once you finish the form, read the license agreement and click the "agree and register" button.
  - In subsequent visits to use lessons, you will only need to enter your email address and your new password.
  - Here is a list of some legal research lessons in CALI. You may want to complete some of the lessons as a refresher or quick overview of new legal research topics. Check the CALI website for newly added lessons.
    - [American Law Reports](#)
    - [Anatomy of a Case](#)
    - [Arizona Legal Research - Primary Sources](#)
    - [Attorney General Materials](#)
    - [Codification](#)
    - [Company Research](#)
    - [Copyright and Trademark Legal Research](#)
    - [Cost of Legal Research](#)
    - [Customary International Law](#)
    - [Decision Point: State or Federal?](#)
    - [Evaluating Web Sites](#)
    - [Federal Legislative History Research - Compiled Legislative History](#)
    - [Finding Statutes](#)
    - [Forms of Federal Statutory Publication](#)
    - [Georgia Legal Research -- Primary Source Material](#)
    - [Hold 'em, Fold 'em, Walk Away or Run: When to Stop the Search](#)
    - [How to Find Case Law Using the Digests](#)
    - [Internal Agency Materials](#)
    - [Internet Legal Resources - Free Resources](#)
    - [Introduction and Sources of Authority for Administrative Law](#)
    - [Introduction to Foreign Legal Research](#)
    - [Introduction to Secondary Resources](#)
    - [Introduction to State and Federal Statutes](#)
    - [Issue Statements for Memos and Briefs](#)
    - [Legal Encyclopedias](#)
    - [Legal Research 101: The Tools of the Trade](#)

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- [Legal Research Methodology](#)
- [Maryland Legal Research: Primary Authority](#)
- [Mastering Looseleaf Services](#)
- [Non Legal Resource: Online News Sources](#)
- [Pennsylvania Primary Legal Research](#)
- [Periodicals Indexes and Library Catalogs](#)
- [Researching Canadian Law: Case Approach](#)
- [Researching Canadian Law: Federal Statute Approach](#)
- [Researching Federal Administrative Regulations](#)
- [Researching Federal Executive Orders](#)
- [Researching Federal Legislative History](#)
- [Researching Legal Ethics](#)
- [Researching U.S. Immigration Law](#)
- [Researching Uniform and Model Laws](#)
- [Rulemaking: Federal Register and CFR](#)
- [U.S. Treaty Research](#)
- [Updating Federal and State Statutes](#)
- [Updating/Validating Case Law Using Citators](#)
- [Using the Restatements of the Law](#)