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WHERE TO START YOUR RESEARCH

Start your search with **Halsbury's Laws of Canada**, our highly respected encyclopedia written by legal experts! It helps you understand terminology, leading cases and relevant legislation.

Two ways to find it:

1. Load it from the **Explore Content** portal.
2. Find it from the **Red Search Box**.

The first screenshot shows the Lexis Advance Quicklaw homepage. A red box highlights the search bar at the top, and a red circle highlights the 'Advanced Search' link in the top right corner. The 'Explore Content' section is visible below, with a red circle around the 'Advanced Search' link in the 'Explore Content' section.

The second screenshot shows the search results for 'sopinka'. A red box highlights the search bar, and a red circle highlights the search results, which include 'sopinka (re), [1999] O.C.R. 36', 'sopinka (litigation guardian of v. sopinka, [2001] O.J. no. 3657', and 'sopinka (litigation guardian of v. sopinka, 2001 O.C.G. para. 31,508'.

THE RED SEARCH BOX DOES IT ALL

Enter a phrase, topic, citation (e.g. 2009 SCJ 61), or source (e.g. *Sopinka, Lederman & Bryant: The Law of Evidence in Canada*) and watch the word wheel help you find what you are looking for across many helpful resources.

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CHOOSE NATURAL LANGUAGE OR BOOLEAN SEARCHING

Simply enter your search terms using natural language; or use terms and connectors (Boolean) for precision searching.

"" quotation marks	Use quotation marks for an exact phrase e.g. "age discrimination"
and	Both words have to be in the document e.g. software and firmware
or	Only one of the words needs to be in the document e.g. ship or vessel
/n	First word has to be within N words of the second word e.g. employee /15 responsibility
! exclamation mark or * asterisk	Use the root of your word with the root expander at the end to find all possible endings of your word e.g. acqui! finds acquire, acquisition, acquiring, etc.

USE POST SEARCH FILTERS TO FOCUS YOUR SEARCH

Once you've run a search, you can further refine your list by applying various **post-search filters** (e.g. jurisdiction, court, timeline, etc.). You can also run your search in a different database by choosing it (e.g. Cases, Legislation, etc.)

The screenshot shows the Lexis Advance Quicklaw interface. At the top, the search bar contains 'social media defamation'. Below the search bar, the results are for 'social media defamation' with 10,000+ results. A sidebar on the left shows filters for jurisdiction (CA, AU, FR, HK) and content type (Cases, Legislation, etc.). The main results area shows a list of cases, with the first result being 'Grant v. Torstar Corp., [2009] S.C.J. No. 61'. The snippet for this case discusses defamation and the law of defamation. The interface includes various navigation and filtering options.

USE SEARCH TERM MAPS TO NAVIGATE THROUGH CASES

Our **Graphical View** features a **Search Terms Map** option, which allows you to quickly navigate to key paragraphs within a specific case.

1. **Grant v. Torstar Corp., [2009] S.C.J. No. 61**
Supreme Court of Canada | Federal | 22 Dec 2009
[2009] 3 S.C.R. 640 | [2009] 3 R.C.S. 640 | [2009] S.C.J. No. 61 | [2009] A.C.S. no 61 — See all

Summary Decision Oth

Terms: Decision [2009] S.C.J. No. 61

... like bloggers, must act carefully, having regard to the injury to reputation that a false statement can cause. A defence based on responsible conduct reflects the **social** concern that the **media** should be held accountable through the law of **defamation**. As Kirby P. stated in *Ballina Shire Council v. Ringland* (1994), 33 N.S.W.L.R. 680 (C.A.), at p. 700: "The law of ..."

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Overview: Torts — Defamation — Defences — Responsible communication on matters of public interest — Newspaper and reporter being sued for libel after article was published concerning proposed private golf course development — Whether traditional defences for defamatory statements of fact are inconsistent with values underlying freedom of expression — Whether law of defamation...

Case Summaries: J.E. 2010-8 | 183 A.C.W.S. (3d) 1173 | 2010EXP-17 | **LCON/2010-001** — See all

421 Citing Cases
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USE ADVANCED SEARCH TO FIND CASES BY PARTY NAME, COUNSEL OR JUDGE

The **Advanced Search** link is found just above the **Red Search Box** on the home page. Click **Advanced Search**, then select a different content type (e.g. Cases) and use the various fields to do a targeted search.

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Search Everything: **Select a specific content type**

- Cases
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 - Law Reviewers and Journals
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 - Canada Sentencing Quantum
 - Quantum - Dédommagement de la prise
 - Wrongful Unlawful Notice Saverber
 - Canada Wrongful Dismissal Quantum

Search within entity

Terms: Enter specific text to search

To return exact matches: To force Boolean search

Document Segment: Note: Which these segments apply to the majority of documents; they may not apply to all documents.

Filed by Citation: (Case, Legislation, Journal Article)
Enter the description of Citation, e.g. [2007] 3 S.C.R. 331

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Search Clear

Use Connectors

- ** Exact phrase
- and 2 or more words anywhere in the document (alternative: &)
- or Include one or more words
- and not Exclude documents containing the word or phrase; should be the last connector, or might produce unexpected results
- /n First word within "n" words of the second (alternatives: within or near/n)
- ! Word variations using this as the root word (alternative: *)







View all connectors and commands

Frequently Asked Questions


- About Search
 - What format is used in Causation Citations?
 - What is the QuickCITE® Citation?
 - How is QuickCITE® record read?

NOTE-UP WITH THE QUICKCITE CITATOR TO MAKE SURE YOUR CASE IS STILL “GOOD LAW”

Treatment signals let you see at a glance how a case has been judicially considered. Simply click on the treatment indicator beside each case to link to the QuickCITE Citator record and view: the *History of a case* as it moves up through the courts, the *list of citing cases* and *links to commentary* to help you understand issues.

SIGNAL	SUMMARY	EXPLANATION
	Case citation information	A case citation information signal indicates a case citator record is available, but no known history or treatments. Select the signal to view the case citator record.
	Positive treatment	A positive (green) signal indicates the decision has positive history (affirmed, judicial review denied, or leave to appeal refused by a higher court) or positive treatments (followed or followed in a minority opinion of by subsequent court).
	Cautionary treatment	A cautionary (yellow) signal indicates the decision has been subsequently distinguished by a subsequent court.
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Court Year Jurisdiction

Category	ABCA	ABOB	BCCA	BCCollAgg/Arb	BCHumRtsTrib	BCSC	CASCC	MBQBTD/(reinst)	NLCA	NLCTDGD	NSHumRtsBdInq	NSSmCICI	NUCA	ONCA	ONHumRtsTrib	ONM anabr
Negative																
Cautionary	1															
Positive		1				2	2					1				
Neutral		6	3	1	1	7		2	1	1	2	1	1	3	2	1

Search Within Citing Cases Cases (65) Sort by: Date (newest first)

Enter search terms

- MDS Inc. v. Factory Mutual Insurance Co. (c.o.b. FM Global) 2020/3/30
[\[2020\] O.J. No. 152](#) Locus Para [726](#); 2020 ONSC 1924
Mentioned
ONSupCJus
ON
- Cowley v. Skyjack Inc. 2020/3/24
[\[2020\] O.J. No. 1268](#) Locus Para [82](#); 2020 ONSC 1718
Cited
ONSupCJus
ON

The clickable grid helps you to sort quickly through all the citing cases (e.g. Click **Cautionary** to see all the cases that *distinguish* your case).

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