Quicklaw® Cheat Sheet: International Searching

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Searching International Cases

If you know the citation of a U.S. case, use the Find a Document feature under the Home subtab in addition to the methods described below. Enter the citation in the Find by citation box and click the Go button.

For all other international cases, click the International subtab, followed by the International Cases (or International Cases (Civil Law)) link in the left-hand panel. From the Sources list, select a source (e.g., All England Law Reports) or click the Find more sources... link to add the source you want to search. Enter search terms in the box and click the Search button.

Refining Your Search

1. Enter the case name if you know the specific case (e.g., Kennedy and Spratt).
2. Enter the citation if you know the specific case citation (e.g., [2007] 4 All ER 1047).
3. Select a date parameter from the drop-down list provided and enter your date restrictions.
4. Search by keywords that would only appear within the summary of the case (e.g., tort).
5. Search by a particular court in which the case was heard (e.g., House of Lords).
6. Find cases heard by a particular Judge, Panel, or Arbitrator (e.g., Hoffmann).
7. Click the Show document segments link to view additional searchable segments, which vary with the source chosen.

Browsing

8. Many international case law sources are browsable. Click the Browse link (where available) to browse the contents of an international case law source.

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You can Shepardize® a U.S. case by clicking the signal on the case, or by using either the Shepardize a U.S. Case option in the Find a Document feature under the Home search subtab or by clicking the International search subtab, followed by the Shepard's® Citations link in the left-hand panel. Enter the citation and press the Enter key on your keyboard.

The Shepard’s citation will appear with the corresponding treatment indicator.

Select the appropriate citator (e.g., CaseSearch (U.K.), CaseBase Cases (Australia), New Zealand Case Citator, etc.) from the Sources drop-down list or click the Find more sources… link to add a source you want to use. Enter search terms in the box and click the Search button.

Refining Your Search
1. Enter the case name if you know the specific case (e.g., Donoghue and Stevenson), and/or
2. Enter the citation if you know the specific case citation (e.g., [1932] All ER Rep 1).
3. Select a date parameter from the drop-down list provided and enter your date restrictions.
4. Search by keywords that would only appear within the case summary (e.g., fiduciary).
5. Search by a particular court in which the case was heard (e.g., House of Lords).
6. Find cases heard by a particular Judge, Panel, or Arbitrator (e.g., Hoffmann).
7. Click the Show document segments link to view additional searchable segments, which vary with the source. Enter search terms and click the Add to Search button.

Browsing
8. Click the Browse link to browse the citator source.
If you know the citation for U.S. legislation, use the Find a Document feature under the Home subtab in addition to the methods below. Enter the citation in the Find legislation box and click the Go button.

For all other international cases, click the International search subtab, followed by the International Legislation (Common Law) or International Legislation (Civil Law) link in the left-hand panel. Select the source you want (e.g., UK Legislation) from the Sources drop-down list or click the Find more sources... link to add a source. Enter search terms in the box and click the Search button.

Refining Your Search
1. Enter keywords from the legislation title (e.g., Safety).
2. Enter the partial or full citation of the legislation (e.g., 1D).
3. Enter the legislation section or article number (e.g., 56).
4. Click the Show document segments link to view additional searchable segments, which vary with the source chosen.

Browsing
5. If displayed, click the Browse link to browse select browsable legislation sources.
Click the **International** subtab, followed by the **International Journals** link in the left-hand panel. Select the source you want from the **Sources** drop-down list or click the **Find more sources**... link to add a source. Enter search terms in the box and click the **Search** button.

### Refining Your Search

1. Enter an article title (e.g., *Presidential Administration*), and/or
2. Enter an article citation (e.g., 114 Harv. L. Rev. 2245).
3. Click the **Show document segments** link to view additional searchable segments (see below). Enter search terms and click the **Add to Search** button.

### Searching International Journals

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### Browsing

4. Click the **Browse** link to browse the international journal sources where available.

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