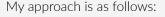
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COLOUR CODING FOR MOOTS

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A moot binder is my go-to whenever I have mooted and this has transitioned into practice for clinic case files that have had court appearances. LexisNexis' highlighting feature is one of my favourites. Given that a lot of the moots have been virtual due to the pandemic, the use of PDFs is even more common.



- I will search up the case and star it.
- Then, highlight as I read and assign colours to different key points (e.g. the ratio, the precedents, the judgment, the dissenting reasons, etc.)
- I will always download the case and the citation after I have read it online and made the highlights as this will download with my notes.
- Speaking of notes, the highlight feature is perfected when the ability to add comments is considered.
- The fact that LexisNexis is so interactive makes the reading of even the longest cases so much easier and honestly, fun!
- Additionally, being able to save cases on my online account allows me to organize the cases by topic or purpose for which I need the given case.
- Being able to download the case file post-highlights makes coordination with a moot partner so much easier because I can point them in the exact direction and to the precise paragraph and word and they wouldn't have a hard time.
- Structuring the factum becomes easier and clearer too because not only does this make virtual teamwork smoother, it allows the team to consistently be on the same page or to identify when one partner is applying something differently.

For more on how to download cases right from LexisAdvance Quicklaw, check out this TIP SHEET.

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