

Instructional Materials

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The Courthouse & Law Society Libraries Special Interest Group has compiled a list of materials submitted by CALL/ACBD members willing to share their instructional materials, including research guides, syllabi, presentations, handouts, screencasts, podcasts, and other exercises. Libraries retain copyright in the materials they submit for this compilation, and permission must be requested of the submitting library for any re-use or adaptation.

1) The **Law Society of Upper Canada's Great Library** has created a number of audio/video tutorials on Ontario's e-Laws, as well as how-to guides on a variety of topics. *Submitted by Theresa Roth, Head of Reference Services, Great Library, The Law Society of Upper Canada.*

Audio/Video Tutorials

[e-laws: An Introduction](#)

[e-laws: Current Consolidated Law Compared to Source Law](#)

[e-laws: Working with Current Consolidated Law](#)

[e-laws: Finding Historical Versions of the Limitations Act](#)

[Ontario Legislative Histories Online](#)

How-to Guides

[How to Find Forms and Precedents](#)

[How to Find Legal Journal Articles](#)

[How to Find Materials on HeinOnline](#)

[How to Find Statutes Judicially Considered](#)

2) The **Supreme Court of Canada Library** has created research guides and tutorials/screencasts on a variety of topics. These instructional materials are available in both English and French and are posted on the Library's intranet. *Submitted by Michel-Adrien Sheppard, Reference Librarian.*

Research Guides

Aboriginal Law

Administrative Law

Bankruptcy and Insolvency Law

Canadian Charter of Rights & Freedoms
Canadian Courts & Caselaw
Canadian Legislation
Constitutional Law
Contract Law
Corporate Law
Criminal Law
Employment & Labour Law
Environmental Law
Evidence
Family Law
Foreign Courts & Caselaw
Foreign Legislation
Intellectual Property
International Treaties
Legal Abbreviations
Legal Citation
Securities Law
Tax

Tutorials/Screencasts

How do I find Canadian cases on a topic using Azimut?
How do I find Canadian cases on a topic using Quicklaw?
How do I find Canadian cases on a topic using WeCarswell?
How do I note up Canadian cases using AZIMUT?
How do I note up Canadian cases using DCL/REJB?
How do I note up Canadian cases using Quicklaw?
How do I note up Canadian cases using WestlaweCarswell?
How do I note up Canadian statutes?
How do I note up Court Rules?
How do I note up Board and Tribunal Rulings?
How do I note up Words and Phrases?
How do I locate up-to-date federal legislation online?
How do I do a legislative history for Canadian legislation?
How do I find material on a topic in U.S. legal encyclopedias?
How do I find commentary and cases on a topic in American Law Reports?
How do I find U.S. federal legislation?
How do I find U.S. case law?
How do I note up U.S. cases in Quicklaw?
How do I note up U.S. cases in WestlaweCarswell?
How do I decipher UK legal citations?
How do I note up UK cases?

3) The **Courts Administration Service** (Federal Court, Federal Court of Appeal, Tax Court of Canada, Court Martial Appeal Court) has the following research guides.

Submitted by Jean Weerasinghe, Director, Library Services

Aboriginal law
Administrative law
Administrative tribunals
Anton Piller Orders
Associations
ATIP
Charter
Class actions
Competition law
Constitutional law
Court Administration and Management
Courts and Decisions
Criminal law
Employment and Labour law
Environmental law
Goods and Services Tax
Human Rights
Immigration
Intellectual Property
International law
Maritime Law
Military Law
National security
Parliamentary Law
Pensions
Statutes and Regulations
Statutory Interpretation & Legal drafting
Tax

4) The **Bibliothèque de droit Michel-Bastarache at the Université de Moncton** has created a number of legal research guides, all of which are [accessible through the library's website](#). *Submitted by Jeanne Maddix, directrice, Bibliothèque de droit Michel-Bastarache, Université de Moncton.*

5) The **John A. Weir Law Library at the University of Alberta** has created a number of [legal research guides](#), all of which are accessible through the library's website.

Submitted by Barbara Burrows, Collection Management Librarian

6) The instructors of the legal research courses at the **Brian Dickson Law Library at the University of Ottawa** have created a [Principles of Legal Research](#) wiki. The wiki enables the instructors to keep track of their course materials and it serves as an excellent resource for students

7) The **Courthouse Libraries BC** website offers a series of short [online video tutorials](#) on researching legislation and finding precedents, as well as [practical research guides and checklists](#) to steer users through legal research tasks. *Submitted by Mandy Ostick, Manager, Virtual Library, Courthouse Libraries BC.*

8) The **Library & Information Services at the Nova Scotia Barristers' Society** have created [resource lists](#) to assist users in finding legislation, case law, commentary, textbooks, continuing legal education materials, and websites on a variety of subjects. *Submitted by Susan Jones, Information Services Librarian, Nova Scotia Barristers' Society.*

9) The **Law Society of Saskatchewan Libraries** have produced 3 [Subject Research Guides](#) and some How-to guides for legislation & case law. *Submitted by Ken Fox, Reference Librarian.*

10) There are a number of **customized search engines and other tools** that can be used to find instructional materials, as well. **Michel-Adrien Sheppard's** customized [Legal Research Google](#) search engine finds materials from academic legal sites in Canada. In addition, **Cornell University's Law Library** has created a [Legal Research Engine](#) to find U.S. legal research guides. *Submitted by Michel-Adrien Sheppard, Reference Librarian, Library, Supreme Court of Canada.*