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The purpose of this guide is to help users find model forms available at the Maurice A. Deane Law Library, on subscription databases, and on the Internet.  This guide is not meant to be comprehensive or exhaustive, but rather a starting point for the user.  
  
Publications containing model forms vary in format and content.  Some forms can be found in publications with annotations, checklists, and citations to cases.  Others will be found in subject specific publications or more comprehensive works. This guide is broken-up into four categories: Major Sets, Subject Specific Forms, Online Forms, and Internet Access.  
  
**Major Sets** titles include comprehensive sets such as *American Jurisprudence Legal Forms, 2d* as well as, Federal practice titles.  There is also a link to New York Practice titles.

**Subject Specific Forms** attempts to aggregate titles that contain legal forms by subject.

**Online Forms** provide access to forms offered by Lexis, Westlaw, and Maurice A. Deane Law Library subscription databases.

**Internet Access** provides access to fee-based and free legal forms available on the Internet.

**Major Sets**

Comprehensive Sets

* [Current Legal Forms, with Tax Analysis](http://libweb.hofstra.edu/search/t?SEARCH=Current+Legal+Forms%2C+with+Tax+Analysis%2C+&sortdropdown=-&searchscope=1), Rabkin and Johnson KF170 R3 (Reserve); LexisNexis database MATBEN/CLFTA - provides sample forms, drafting guidance and expert legal commentary.
* [American Jurisprudence Legal Forms 2d](http://libweb.hofstra.edu/search%7ES1?/tAmerican+Jurisprudence+Legal+Forms+2d/tamerican+jurisprudence+legal+forms++++2d/1%2C1%2C2%2CB/frameset&FF=tamerican+jurisprudence+legal+forms++++2d&1%2C%2C2/indexsort=-) ; Westlaw database AMJUR-LF - Arranged alphabetically, each title contains form drafting guides, notes on use, and  sample forms.  There is also a separate Federal Tax Guide to Legal Forms.
* [American jurisprudence pleading and practice forms annotated](http://libweb.hofstra.edu/search%7ES1?/tAmerican+jurisprudence+pleading+and+practice+forms+annotated/tamerican+jurisprudence+pleading+and+practice+forms+annotated/1%2C2%2C2%2CB/frameset&FF=tamerican+jurisprudence+pleading+and+practice+forms+annotated+a+comprehensive+carefully+compiled+and+edited+collection+of+plea&1%2C1%2C/indexsort=-); KF8846 .A45; Westlaw database AMJUR-PP practice, state and federal forms, checklists, and timetables needed for every stage of a case. Includes commentary and “how to” guidance, plus statutory and procedural rules references.
* [West’s Legal Forms](http://libweb.hofstra.edu/search%7ES1?/twests+legal+forms/twests+legal+forms/1%2C2%2C3%2CB/frameset&FF=twests+legal+forms&1%2C%2C2/indexsort=-) KF170 B41; Westlaw database WEST-LF
* [Basic Legal Forms, with Commentary](http://libweb.hofstra.edu/search%7ES1/?searchtype=t&searcharg=Basic+Legal+Forms%2C+with+Commentary+&searchscope=1&sortdropdown=-&SORT=D&extended=0&SUBMIT=Search&searchlimits=&searchorigarg=tAmerican+jurisprudence+pleading+and+practice+forms+annotated) KF170 H8; Westlaw database - provides sample documents with commentary for many types of legal arrangements, including sales, commercial paper and credit instruments, organizing and operating businesses, real estate, computer software, wills and trusts, marital and family arrangements, alternative dispute resolution, and charitable gifts.
* [Basic Legal Transactions](http://libweb.hofstra.edu/search/t?SEARCH=basic+legal+transactions&sortdropdown=-&searchscope=1); Westlaw database BLTRANS - provides assistance with transactions in the areas of real estate, corporations and partnerships, wills and trusts, and family law. It includes hundreds of model forms, agreements, and checklists.

Federal Practice

* [Bender's Federal Practice Forms](http://libweb.hofstra.edu/search%7ES1/?searchtype=t&searcharg=benders+federal+practice+forms&searchscope=1&SORT=D&extended=0&SUBMIT=Search&searchlimits=&searchorigarg=tbenders+practice+forms) ; LexisNexis database FDPRAC - Multi-volume set provides a comprehensive set of forms needed for practice in federal court.  All of the forms are located in chapters based on the controlling procedural rules.
* Federal Procedural Forms; Westlaw database FEDPROF - Provides step-by-step guidance in drafting forms for proceedings before federal courts and administrative agencies, including extensive procedural checklists, "how to" text, and convenient practice aids.
* [Federal Procedural Forms, Lawyers Edition](http://libweb.hofstra.edu/search%7ES1?/tFederal+Procedural+Forms/tfederal+procedural+forms/1%2C2%2C2%2CB/frameset&FF=tfederal+procedural+forms+lawyers+edition&1%2C1%2C/indexsort=-); KF8836 .F4 Provides procedural forms for practice in federal courts in criminal, civil and administrative matters.
* [West's Federal Forms](http://libweb.hofstra.edu/search%7ES1?/tWest%27s+Federal+Forms/twests+federal+forms/1%2C2%2C3%2CB/frameset&FF=twests+federal+forms&1%2C%2C2/indexsort=-); Westlaw database FEDFORMS - This companion set to *Federal Practice and Procedure* provides extensive federal procedural forms, with commentary, arranged by type of proceeding and the particular court to which they pertain.

New York Practice

* For a comprehensive list of New York Practice forms, see Shikha Joseph's [New York Forms](http://libweb.hofstra.edu/search%7ES1?/tWest%27s+Federal+Forms/twests+federal+forms/1%2C2%2C3%2CB/frameset&FF=twests+federal+forms&1%2C%2C2/indexsort=-) Libguide

**Bankruptcy**

* Bankruptcy Code Rules & Official Forms KF1510.99 B36 (Reserve
* Herzogs Bankruptcy Forms & Practice KF1527 H452
* Bankruptcy Deskbook KF1524.L435; LexisNexis database PLI/PLIBRD
* Collier on Bankruptcy KF1524 .C6 (Reserve); LexisNexis database BKRTCY/COLBKR

**Business**

* Organizing Corporate and Other Business Enterprises KF1414 R6; LexisNexis database MATBEN/ORGCRP
* Warren’s Forms of Agreements, Business Forms KF808 W3; LexisNexis database MATBEN/WARRNF
* Fletcher Corporation Forms, Annotated KF1411 F55; Westlaw database FLTR-FRM
* Mergers, Acquisitions and Buyouts: Sample Acquisition Agreements with Tax and Legal Analysis KF6499 M4 M4
* Forms & Procedure under the Uniform Commercial Code Service KF890.5 .H37; LexisNexis database UCCFRM
* Consumer Credit: Law, Transactions and Forms KF1039 .A8 L36
* Legal Opinions in Business Transactions KF1425 .F53; Westlaw database PLIREF-LEGOP
* Legal Forms for Starting and Running a Small Business (ebook in Lexicat)
* Advising small businesses: forms; Westlaw database ADVSBF
* [SBA.gov](http://www.sba.gov/category/navigation-structure/starting-managing-business/starting-business/forms)

**Computers**

Computer/ Internet/ E-Commerce Forms

* Corporate Counsel's Guide to Software Transactions KF905 C6 C67; Westlaw database CCGSFTWR
* Internet Forms & Commentary: A Practitioners Guide to E-Commerce Contracts & the World Wide Web KF889.3 I563
* E-Commerce & Internet Law, Treatise with Forms KF889 .B26

**Criminal**

Criminal Law Forms

* BNA Criminal Practice Manual and Criminal Practice Guide KF9615 B59
* Modern Federal Jury Instructions (Criminal: vols. 1-3, \*, \*\*) KF9682 .A6 M62; LexisNexis database MATBEN/MOFEJI

**Entertainment Law**

Entertainment Law Forms

* Entertainment Industry Contracts: Negotiating and Drafting Guide KF2933 E5 E57 (Reserve); LexisNexis database MATBEN/ENTIND
* Lindey on Entertainment, Publishing and the Arts: Agreements & the Law KF2992.L5; Westlaw database LINDEY3D

**Family Law**

Family Law Forms

* Lindey and Parley on Separation Agreements & Antenuptial Contracts KF529 L5 (Reserve); LexisNexis database MATBEN/LESPAC
* The Complete Guide to Divorce Practice: Forms & Procedures for lawyers KF533.5 R53 (1998)
* Modern Child Custody Practice KF505.5 .A98; LexisNexis database 2NDARY/MCCPRC
* Family Law and Practice KF503.4 .F35; LexisNexis database MATBEN/FAMLPR
* Child Custody and Visitation, law and practice KF547 .M2; LexisNexis database MATBEN/CCVLWP

**Immigration Law**

Immigration Law Forms

* Immigration Law and Procedure KF4819 .G6; LexisNexis database IMMIG/IMMLAW
* Immigration Procedures Handbook  KF4819 .F6; Westlaw database IMPH
* Immigration and Nationality Laws of the United States: Selected Statutes, Regulations and Forms  KF4806 .I4

**Insurance Law**

Insurance Law Forms

* Couch on Insurance 3d KF1159 .C6; Westlaw database COUCHFORMS
* Insuring Real Property KF1190 .I57; LexisNexis database MATBEN/INSRPR
* Title Insurance: A Comprehensive Overview KF1234 .G67

**Intellectual Property**

Intellectual Property

* Drafting License Agreements KF2979 .D73
* Kohn on Music Licensing KF3035 K64
* CCH Copyright Law Reporter last update June 2009 KF2991.5 C6
* Nimmer on Copyright KF2991.5 N5 (Reserve); LexisNexis database COPYRT/NIMMER
* Patent Licensing: Strategy, Negotiation, Forms KF3145 H64; Westlaw database PLIREF-PATLI

**Practice and Procedure**

Practice and Procedure

* Federal Research Coordinator KF8714.77 F42
* Benders Forms of Discovery KF8900 A3 B4; LexisNexis database GENFED/BFDISC
* American Jurisprudence Pleading & Practice Forms Annotated KF8836 A45; Westlaw database AMJUR-PP
* How to Handle an Appeal KF9050 L4; Westlaw database PLIREF-APPEAL
* Benders Federal Practice Forms KF8836 B4; LexisNexis database MATBEN/FDPRAC
* Supreme Court Practice KF9057 S8 (Reserve)

**Property**

Property Forms

* Real Estate Financing: Text, Forms, Tax Analysis KF695 R6; LexisNexis database MATBEN/REALEF
* Anderson’s American Law of Zoning KF5698 A76 (Reserve); Westlaw database AMLZONING
* Commercial Real Estate Leases: Preparation, Negotiation and Forms KF593.C6 S4

**Securities Law**

Securities Forms

* Manual of Corporate Forms for Securities Practice KF1439 B538 (Vols. 9 – 9D); Westlaw database SECMCORPF
* Securities Regulation Forms KF1439 B538 (vols. 6 – 6C); Westlaw database SECREGFRM
* Securities Regulation, Selected Statutes, Rules and Forms KF1433.99 .S4

**Taxation**

Taxation

* Federal Income Taxation of Corporations and Shareholders: Forms KF6462 B52; Westlaw database WGL-CORPFORMS
* CCH Federal Tax Forms KF6286 C6
* RIA Tax Action Coordinator: Forms & Agreements KF6365 R4
* U.S. International Taxation Practice and Procedure KF6419 L83; Westlaw database WGL-INTPRAC
* Effectively Representing Your Client Before the “New” IRS: a Practical Manual for the Tax Practitioner with Sample Correspondence and Forms

             KF6289.E34

**Trusts & Estates**

Trusts & Estates

Drafting Wills and Trust Agreements KF748.1 W55  
  
Irrevocable Trusts KF730 T87; Westlaw database IRREVTR  
  
Living Trusts: Forms and Practice KF734 B53; LexisNexis database MATBEN/LTRUST  
  
Murphy’s Will Clauses: Annotations and Forms with Tax Effects KF755 A65 M8 (in LexisNexis database MATBEN/PLNYEE)

**Online Forms**

Online Forms

* [Fnding Forms on Westlaw](http://libguides.law.hofstra.edu/aecontent.php?pid=281392&sid=2444396) is organized by subject and provides brief search instructions and database names for forms found on Westlaw.
* [Finding Forms on Lexis](http://libguides.law.hofstra.edu/aecontent.php?pid=281392&sid=2454815) is organized by subject and provides brief search instructions and database names for forms found on LexisNexis

**Forms Available on Westlaw**

Finding forms on Westlaw and WestlawNext

If you aren't sure as to what form you need, find a form on Westlaw by clicking on the Formfinder link located at the top of the screen in the blue banner; Westlaw database FORMFINDER.  The FORMFINDER database contains text forms, fillable PDF forms, clauses and checklists available on Westlaw from numerous national and state form sets, including legal and business, transactional, litigation and pleading and practice forms.

On WestlawNext, search for a form by typing your search term in global search box; forms has it’s own content category.  You may also narrow your search using form facets. You can also find forms by using the form category page.  You access the form categoy page by clicking on the Form link located on the home page.  You can search by state or topic.

**Major Sets**

* **American Jurisprudence Legal Forms** - Westlaw database **AMJUR-LF**
* **West’s Legal Forms** - Westlaw database **WEST-LF**

**Business**

* **Fletcher Corporation Forms**, Annotated - Westlaw database FLTR-FRM
* **Legal Opinions in Business Transactions** - Westlaw database PLIREF-LEGOP

**Computers**

* **Corporate Counsel's Guide to Software Transactions** - Westlaw database **CCGSFTWR**

**Criminal**

* **White Collar Crime** - Westlaw database **WCCR**

**Entertainment Law**

* **Lindey on Entertainment, Publishing and the Arts: Agreements & the Law** - Westlaw database LINDEY3D

**Immigration Law**

* **Immigration Procedures Handbook** -Westlaw database **IMPH**

**Insurance Law**

* **Couch on Insurance 3d** - Westlaw database **COUCHFORMS**

**Intellectual Property**

* **Patent Licensing: Strategy, Negotiation, Forms** - Westlaw database **PLIREF-PATLIC**

**Practice and Procedure**

* **American Jurisprudence Pleading & Practice Forms Annotated** - Westlaw database **AMJUR-PP**
* **How to Handle an Appeal** -Westlaw database **PLIREF-APPEAL**

**Property**

* **Anderson’s American Law of Zoning** - Westlaw database **AMLZONING**

**Securities**

* **Manual of Corporate Forms for Securities Practice** - Westlaw database **SECMCORPF**
* **Securities Regulation Forms** -Westlaw database **SECREGFRM**

**Taxation**

* **Federal Income Taxation of Corporations and Shareholders: Forms** -Westlaw database **WGL-CORPFORMS**
* **U.S. International Taxation Practice and Procedure** -Westlaw database **WGL-INTPRAC**

**Trusts & Estates**

* **Irrevocable Trusts** -Westlaw database **IRREVTR**

**Forms Available on Lexis**

Finding Forms on Lexis

To find a form on LexisNexis, click on "Find a Source" and enter your search terms.  For example, "forms" and [your topic].  Or,  click on the relevant area of law under "Area of Law by Topic;" scroll down to "Search Forms & Drafting Instructions."

**Major Sets**

* **Current Legal Forms, with Tax Analysis,** Rabkin and Johnson - LexisNexis database **MATBEN/CLFTA**

**Bankruptcy**

* **Bankruptcy Deskbook** -LexisNexis database **PLI/PLIBRD**
* **Collier on Bankruptcy** - LexisNexis database **BKRTCY/COLBKR**

**Business**

* **Organizing Corporate and Other Business Enterprises** -LexisNexis database **MATBEN/ORGCRP**
* **Warren’s Forms of Agreements, Business Forms** -LexisNexis database **MATBEN/WARRNF**
* **Uniform Commercial Code** - LexisNexis database **UCCFRM**

**Criminal**

* **Modern Federal Jury Instructions** - LexisNexis database **MATBEN/MOFEJI**

**Entertainment Law**

* **Entertainment Industry Contracts: Negotiating and Drafting Guide** - LexisNexis database **MATBEN/ENTIND**

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* **Lindey and Parley on Separation Agreements & Antenuptial Contracts** -LexisNexis database **MATBEN/LESPAC**
* **Modern Child Custody Practice** -LexisNexis database **2NDARY/MCCPRC**
* **Family Law and Practice** -LexisNexis database **MATBEN/FAMLPR**
* **Child Custody and Visitation, Law and Practice** -LexisNexis database **MATBEN/CCVLWP**

**Intellectual Property**

* **Nimmer on Copyright** - LexisNexis database **COPYRT/NIMMER**

**Practice and Procedure**

* **Benders Forms of Discovery** K-LexisNexis database **GENFED/BFDISC**
* **Benders Federal Practice Forms** -LexisNexis database **MATBEN/FDPRAC**

**Property**

* **Real Estate Financing: Text, Forms, Tax Analysis** -LexisNexis database **MATBEN/REALEF**

**Trusts & Estates**

* **Living Trusts: Forms and Practice** - LexisNexis database **MATBEN/LTRUST**
* **Murphy’s Will Clauses: Annotations and Forms with Tax Effects** - LexisNexis database **MATBEN/PLNYEE**

**Miscellaneous Forms**

* **Education Law** -LexisNexis database **MATBEN/EDULAW**
* **Employee Rights Litigation: Pleading and Practice** -LexisNexis database **MATBEN/ERLPAP**
* **Environmental Law Forms Guide** -LexisNexis database **ENVLFRMG**

**Internet Access**

Forms Available on the Internet

* [ALI-ABA's Online Forms Library](http://www.ali-aba.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=online.forms) - fee based online forms.
* [FindLaw Forms](http://forms.lp.findlaw.com/) "collection of legal forms and business contracts is designed for legal professionals. Browse the form topics relevant to your practice area below or shop for Forms."
* [FindLaw's Sample Business Contracts](http://contracts.corporate.findlaw.com/)  FindLaw assembled sample legal contracts.
* [LLRX Court Rules, Forms and Dockets](http://www.llrx.com/courtrules) " This database was updated January 2011 by law librarians [Sabrina I. Pacifici](mailto:spacific@earthlink.net%22) and [Margaret Berkland](mailto:mkberkland@verizon.net)  This site includes links to over 1,400 sources for state and federal court rules, forms and dockets. You can browse to find the resource you need, or search by keyword."
* [lexisONE](http://www.lexisone.com/lx1/store/catalog?action=rootFreeCategory&tcode=PORTAL)
* [Internal Revenue Service (IRS)](http://www.irs.gov/formspubs/index.html) "official source of IRS tax forms and publications. The links provide methods to access and acquire both electronic and print media. A ***Search*** function provides basic and advanced search capabilities for forms and other published materials available on IRS.gov."
* [SBA.gov](http://www.sba.gov/category/navigation-structure/starting-managing-business/starting-business/forms)
* [USA.gov Forms](http://search.usa.gov/forms)
* [U.S. Citizenship & Immigration Services Forms](http://www.uscis.gov/forms)
* [U.S. Court Forms](http://www.uscourtforms.com/)
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