

Legal Forms

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.

Arbitration decisions between motion picture film laboratories and unions between 1943-1959

Finding Forms

Finding legal formbooks can be as simple as searching Lexicat (the Hofstra Libraries catalog) by title or keyword, or entering the relevant database name in LexisNexis/ Lexis Advance or

"immigration AND forms"

- Lexis Advance
<http://www.lexisnexis.com/lawschool/login.aspx>
- WestlawNext
<https://lawschool.westlaw.com/shared/signon10.asp?path=%2FDesktopDefault.aspx&>
- Law Library Databases
<http://law.hofstra.edu/academics/library/research/online/index.cfm>

Major Sets

Comprehensive Sets

- [Current Legal Forms, with Tax Analysis](#), Rabkin and Johnson KF170 R3 (Reserve); LexisAdvanced - provides sample forms, drafting guidance and expert legal commentary.
- [American Jurisprudence Legal Forms 2d](#) ; WestlawNext - 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](#); KF8846 .A45; WestlawNext 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](#) KF170 B41; WestlawNext
- [Basic Legal Forms, with Commentary](#) KF170 H8; WestlawNext - 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](#); WestlawNext - 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](#) ; Lexis Advanced - 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](#); WestlawNext - 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](#); KF8836 .F4 Provides procedural forms for practice in federal courts in criminal, civil and administrative matters.
- [West's Federal Forms](#); WestlawNext - 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](#) Libguide

Subject Specific Forms

Bankruptcy

- Bankruptcy Code Rules & Official Forms KF1510.99 B36 (Reserve)
- Herzogs Bankruptcy Forms & Practice WestlawNext
- Collier on Bankruptcy KF1524 .C6 (Reserve); Lexis Advance

Business

- Organizing Corporate and Other Business Enterprises KF1414 R6; Lexis Advance
- Warren's Forms of Agreements, Business Forms KF808 W3; Lexis Advance
- Fletcher Corporation Forms, Annotated KF1411 F55; WestlawNext
- 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; Lexis Advance
- Advising small businesses: forms; WestlawNext
- SBA.gov

Computers

- Corporate Counsel's Guide to Software Transactions KF905 C6 C67; WestlawNext
- Internet Forms & Commentary: A Practitioners Guide to E-Commerce Contracts & the World Wide Web KF889.3 I563 2002
- E-Commerce & Internet Law, Treatise with Forms KF889 .B26

Criminal

- Criminal Practice Manual WestlawNext
- Modern Federal Jury Instructions (Criminal: vols. 1-3, *, **) KF9682 .A6 M62; Lexis Advance
- White Collar Crime KF9350 .A93; WestlawNext

Entertainment Law

- [Entertainment Industry Contracts: Negotiating and Drafting Guide](#) Lexis Advance
- [Lindey on Entertainment, Publishing and the Arts: Agreements & the Law](#) KF2992.L5; WestlawNext

Family Law

- [Lindey and Parley on Separation Agreements & Antenuptial Contracts](#) KF529 L5 (Reserve); Lexis Advance
- [The Complete Guide to Divorce Practice: Forms & Procedures for lawyers](#) KF533.5 R53 (2012)
- [Modern Child Custody Practice](#) Lexis Advance
- [Family Law and Practice](#) LexisAdvance
- [Child Custody and Visitation, law and practice](#) KF547 .M2; Lexis Advance

Immigration Law

- [Immigration Law and Procedure](#) LexisNexis database IMMIG/IMMLAW
- [Immigration Procedures Handbook](#) KF4819 .F6; WestlawNext
- [Immigration Official Forms](#) WestlawNext
- [Immigration and Nationality Laws of the United States: Selected Statutes, Regulations and Forms](#) KF4806 .I4
- [Steel on Immigration Law - Appendix A: Forms](#) WestlawNext

Insurance Law

- [Couch on Insurance 3d](#) KF1159 .C6; WestlawNext
- [Insuring Real Property](#) Lexis Advance
- [Title Insurance: A Comprehensive Overview](#) KF1234 .G67
- [Insurance Defense Form Finder](#) WestlawNext

Intellectual Property

- Drafting License Agreements KF2979 .D73
- Copyright Law Reporter (CCH) WestlawNext
- Nimmer on Copyright KF2991.5 N5 (Reserve); Lexis Advance
- Patent Licensing: Strategy, Negotiation, Forms KF3145 H64
- Copyright Law in Business & Practice - Litigation Forms WestlawNext
- U.S. Copyright Office Forms WestlawNext
- West's Legal Forms - Intellectual property WestlawNext

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; WestlawNext
- How to Handle an Appeal KF9050 L4
- Bender's Federal Practice Forms KF8836 B4; LexisAdvance
- Supreme Court Practice KF9057 S8 (Reserve)

Property

- 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

- Manual of Corporate Forms for Securities Practice KF1439 B538 (Vols. 9 – 9D); WestlawNext
- Securities Regulation Forms KF1439 B538 (vols. 6 – 6C); WestlawNext
- Securities Regulation, Selected Statutes, Rules and Forms KF1433.99 .S4
- Securities law techniquet Lexis Advance
- SEC Official Forms WestlawNext

Taxation

- Federal Income Taxation of Corporations and Shareholders: Forms KF6462 B52; Westlaw database WGL-CORPFORMS
- 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
- McGaffey Legal Forms with Tax Analysis WestlawNext

Trusts & Estates

Drafting Wills and Trust Agreements KF748.1 W55

Irrevocable Trusts WestlawNext

Living Trusts: Forms and Practice KF734 B53; LexisAdvance

Murphy’s Will Clauses: Annotations and Forms with Tax Effects Lexis Advance

Online Forms

- [Finding Forms on WestlawNext](#) is organized by subject and provides brief search instructions and database names for forms found on Westlaw.
- [Finding Forms on Lexis](#) is organized by subject and provides brief search instructions and database names for forms found on LexisNexis

Forms Available on WestlawNext

Finding forms on WestlawNext

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 category 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**
- **West's Legal Forms**

Business

- **Fletcher Corporation Forms, Annotated**

Computers

- **Corporate Counsel's Guide to Software Transactions**

Criminal

- **White Collar Crime**

Entertainment Law

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

Immigration Law

- **Immigration Procedures Handbook**

Insurance Law

- **Couch on Insurance 3d**

Intellectual Property

- **Patent Licensing: Strategy, Negotiation, Forms**

Practice and Procedure

- **American Jurisprudence Pleading & Practice Forms Annotated**
- **How to Handle an Appeal**

Property

- **Anderson's American Law of Zoning**

Securities

- **Manual of Corporate Forms for Securities Practice**
- **Securities Regulation Forms**

Taxation

- **Federal Income Taxation of Corporations and Shareholders: Forms**
- **U.S. International Taxation Practice and Procedure**

Trusts & Estates

- **Irrevocable Trusts**

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."

To find a form on Lexis Advance:

1. Browse sources: Click on "Browse Sources" link located above the red search box.
2. Search by title: Click on "Browse Sources" link located above the red search box. If you know the title of the source, enter it into the "search sources" box on the left, then, click OK.
3. Terms and connectors search: Go to the first tab under the red search box. Click the down arrow on right, a content type box will appear. Select "forms," then, click OK. Enter terms and connectors into the search box.

[LexisNexis/ Lexis Advance](#)

Lexis Forms

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**

Family Law

- **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](#) - fee based online forms.
- [FindLaw Forms](#) "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](#) FindLaw assembled sample legal contracts.
- [LLRX Court Rules, Forms and Dockets](#) " This database was updated January 2011 by law librarians [Sabrina I. Pacifici](#) and [Margaret Berkland](#) 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](#)
- [Internal Revenue Service \(IRS\)](#) "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](#)
- [USA.gov Forms](#)
- [U.S. Citizenship & Immigration Services Forms](#)
- [U.S. Court Forms](#)
- [WashLaw Legal Forms](#) A wonderful legal forms research guide made available by by Washburn University School of Law.