Legal Research on Fastcase 7



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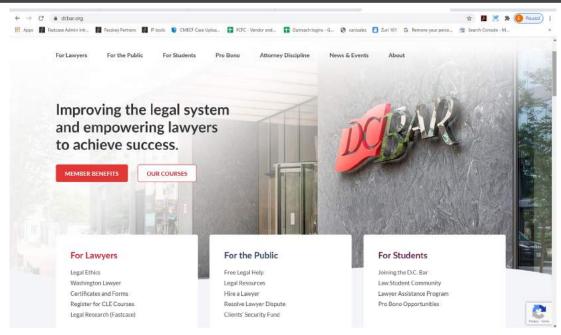
Founded in 1999

- (A tech company that survived!)
- The mission was simple create an alternative to Westlaw and Lexis for conducting research on primary law.
- This is not just a cheaper version of the big two, but something entirely different.
- We are now partners with 33 state bar associations, over 800,000 subscribers.





you already have access to Fastcase



Login through DC Bar homepage and click the Fastcase link to access. Search, and print as much as you like; we don't have a panic-inducing fee structure.



why should you try it?

The principle behind Fastcase is a lot like Google.

- More automation, less leg work.
- Researching on Fastcase is not like browsing through indexes on 90's Yahoo.
- Fastcase eliminates the "luck" element of haphazardly finding an important case early in your research.
- Find cases on purpose instead.





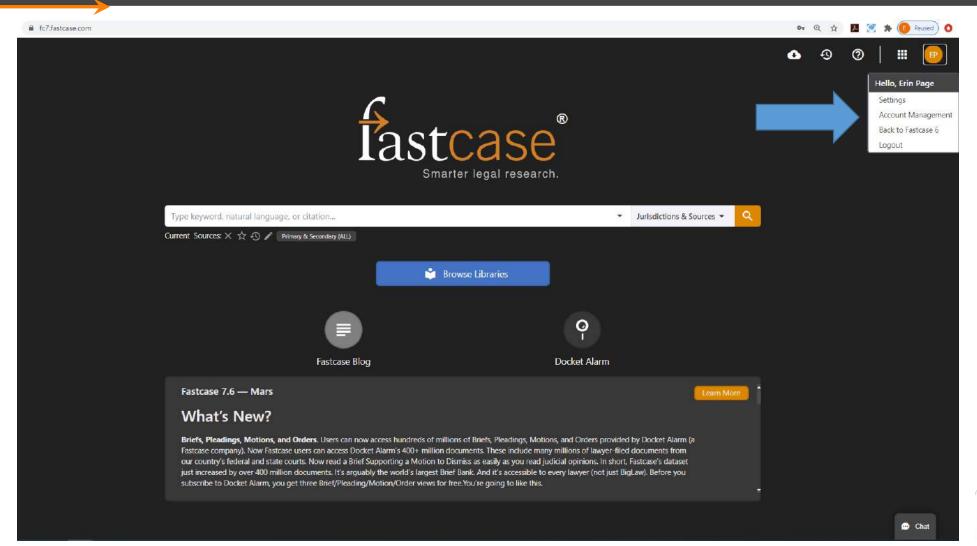
Before we begin: know the scope

Know the scope of what you're searching (the "corpus") so you aren't guessing what's in the database. www.fastcase.com/coverage

Scope of Coverage Fastcase puts the whole national law library on your desktop, with online access to cases, statutes, regulations, court rules, and bar publications, right at your fingertips. This page contains a comprehensive list of the materials included in the Fastcase legal research database. Use it to see what libraries are available and how far back in time those libraries extend. Colosse Al | Expans Al | Federal Libraries State Courts All 50 States | 1950 - Current (unless otherwise indicated) Specialty Courts State Statutes for all 50 states State Administrative Regulations Codes & Orders and Court Rules & Instructions State Attorney General Opinions

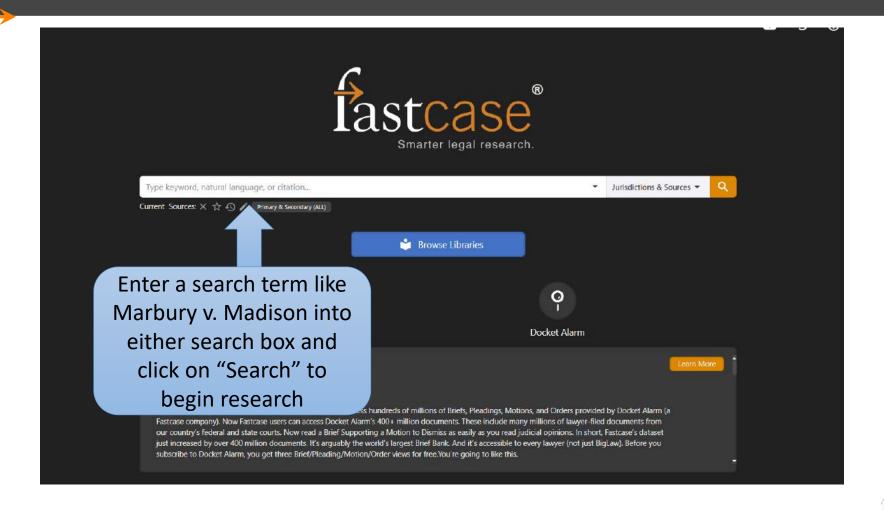


looking for Fastcase 6 (classic)?





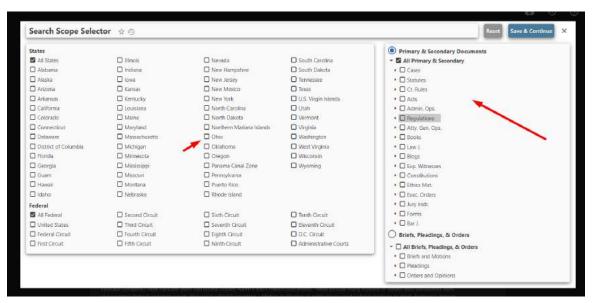
my research home





Set your Jurisdiction before you run a search



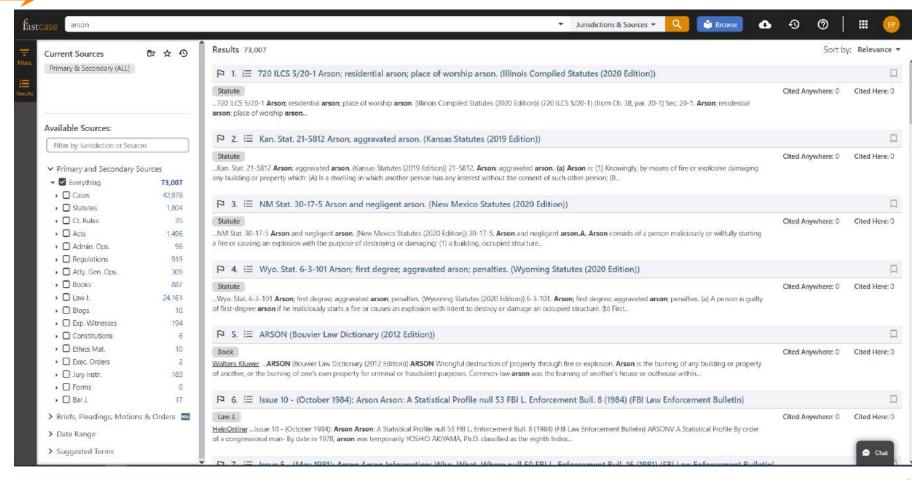


Click on the "Jurisdiction & Sources" button to set your Jurisdiction before running your search.

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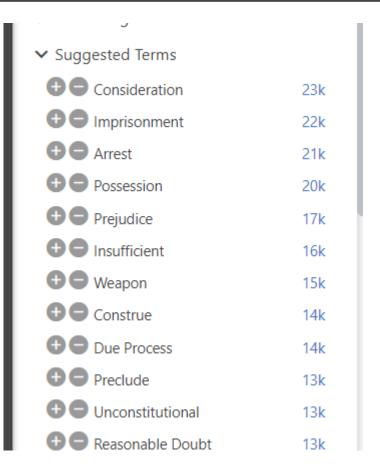
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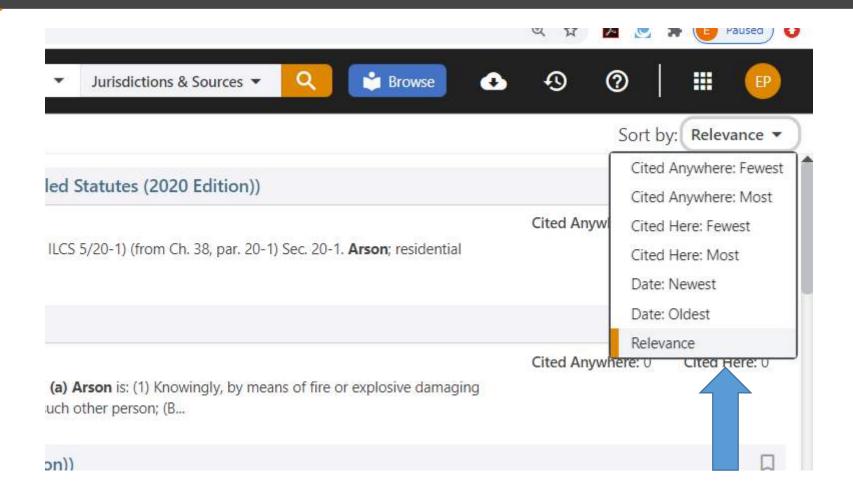
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sorting search results





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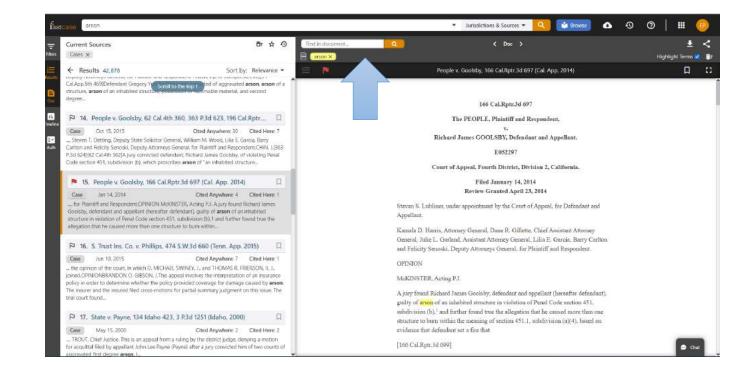




navigating cases

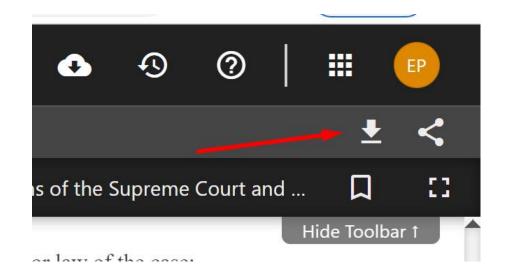
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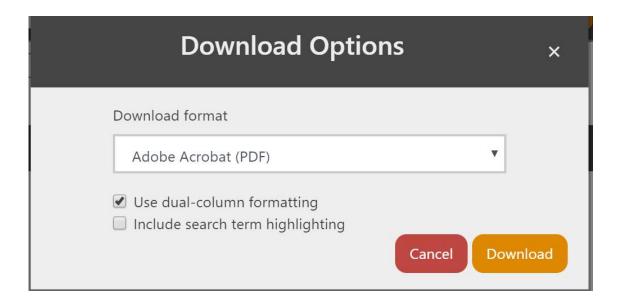




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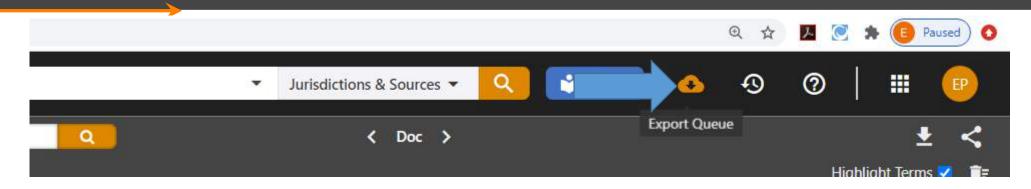
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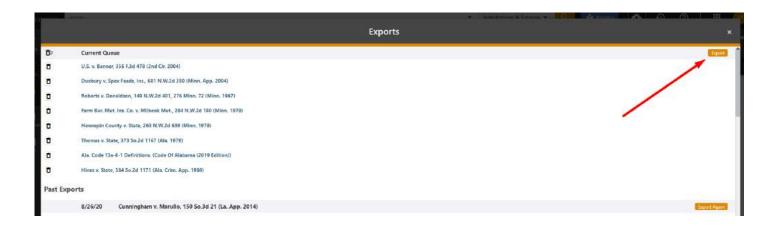


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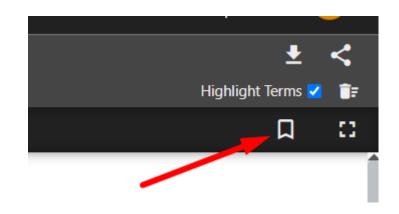


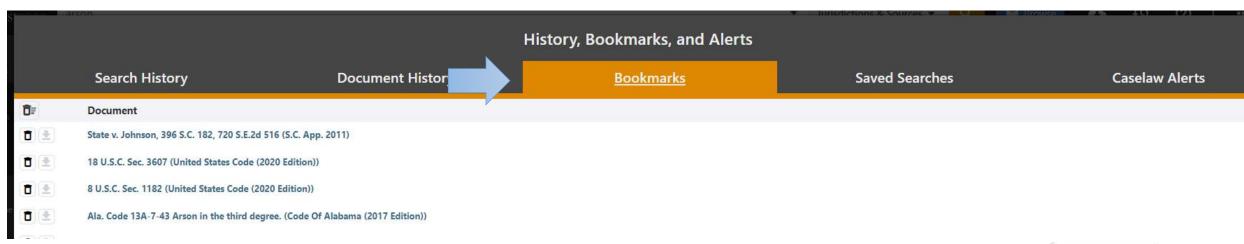
Fastcase allows you to download multiple documents at once

Especially handy for downloading entire sections of statutes or regulations.



save your favorite documents as bookmarks

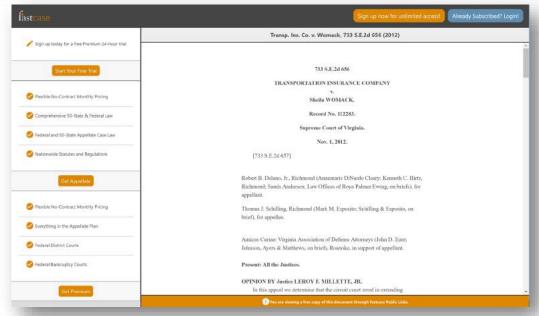






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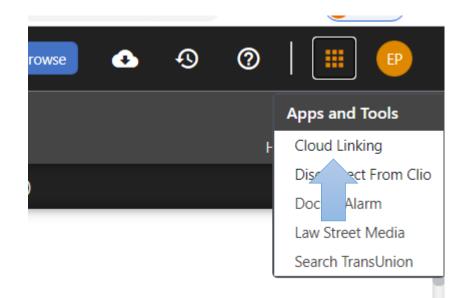


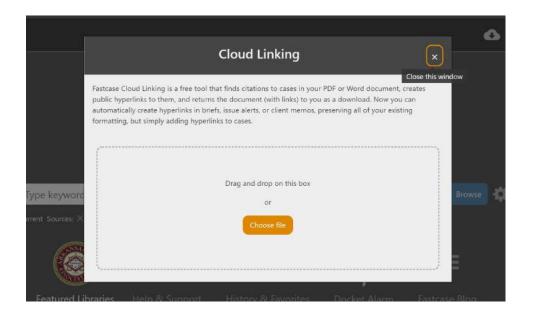
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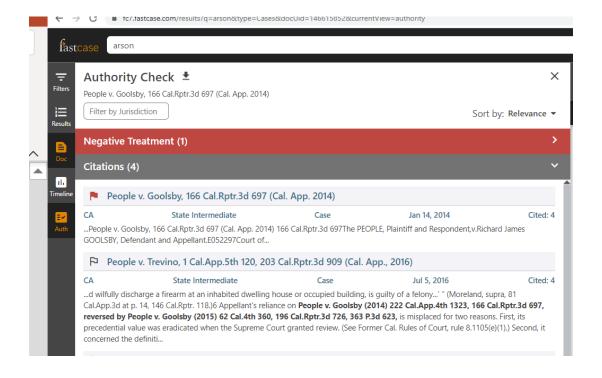
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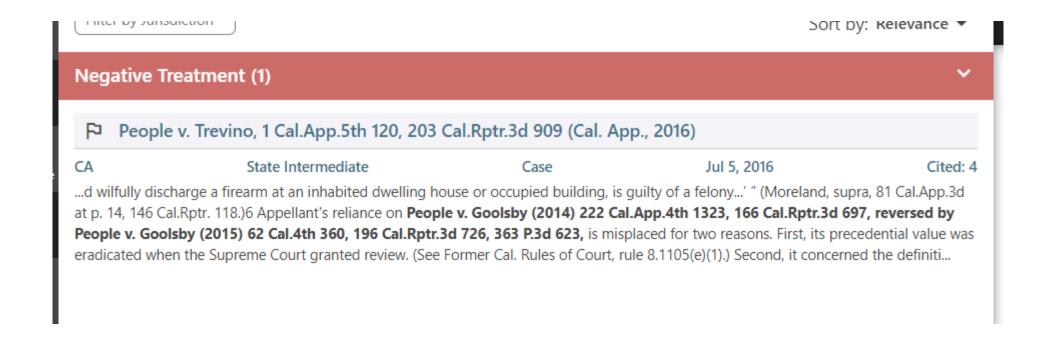


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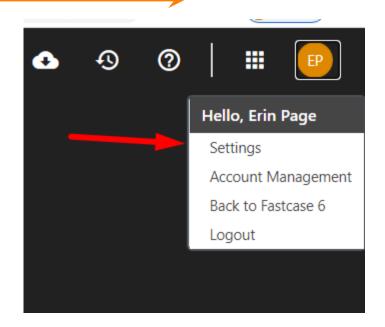


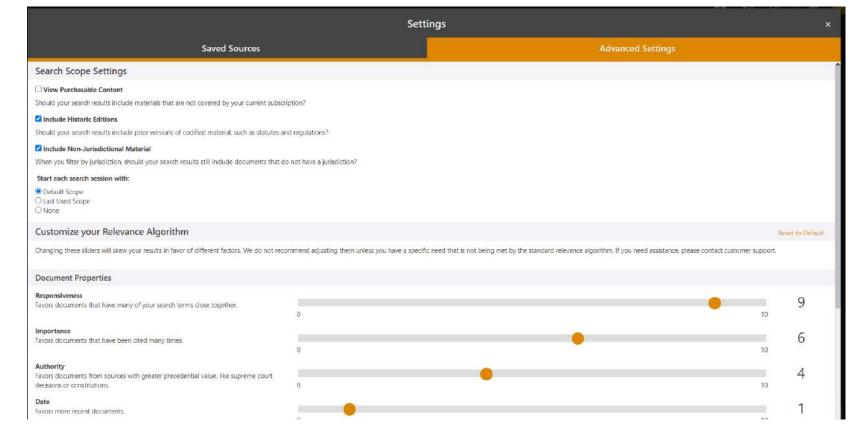
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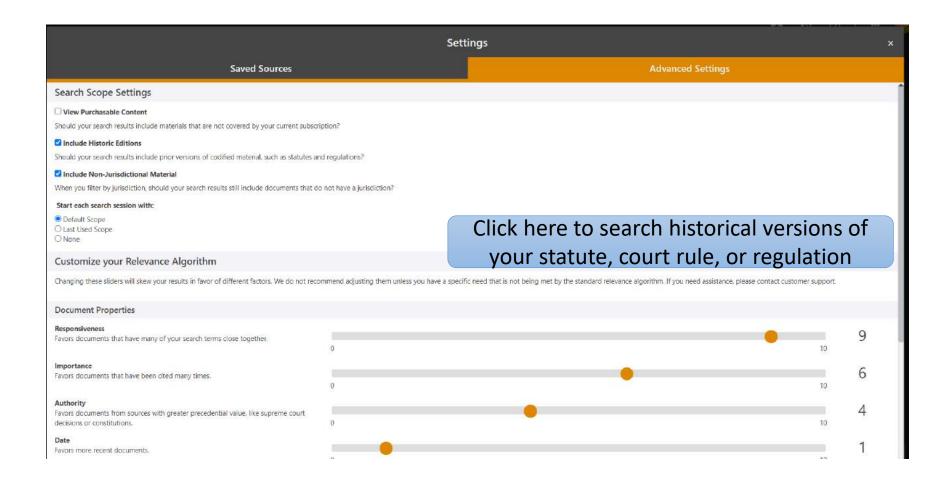
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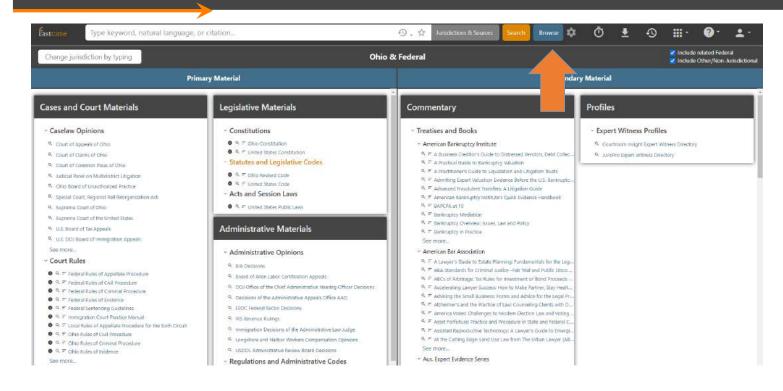


searching statutes, regulations and more





outline view — jurisdiction & library source

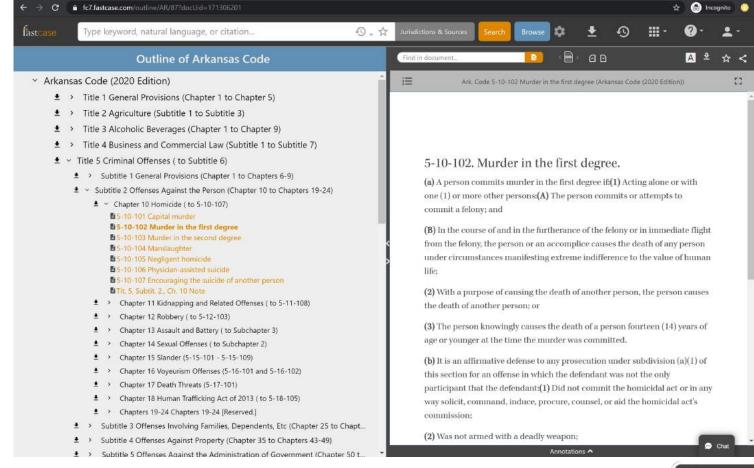


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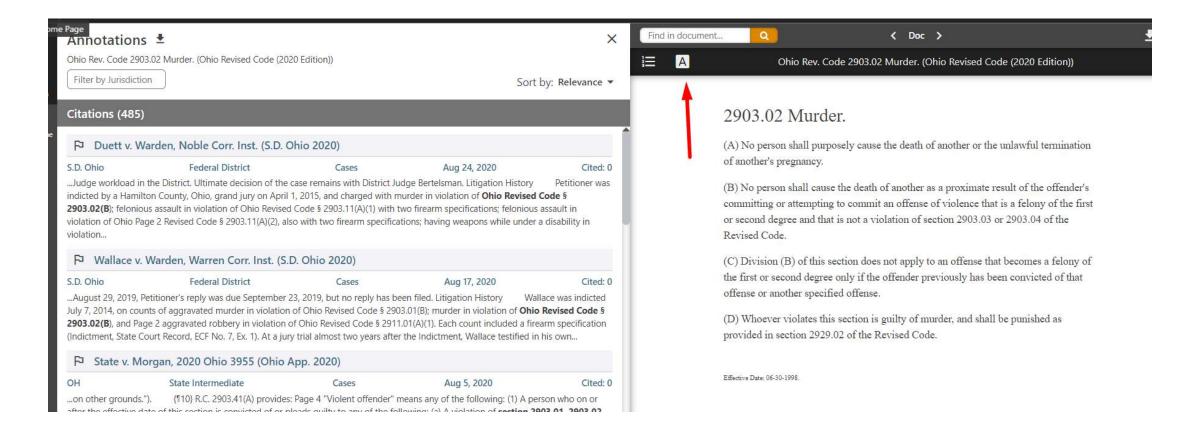
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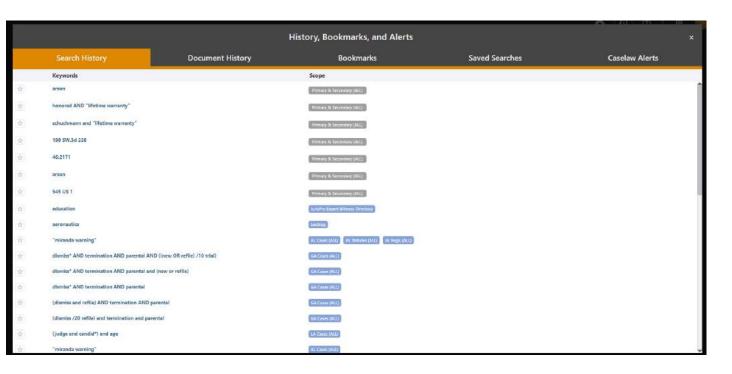


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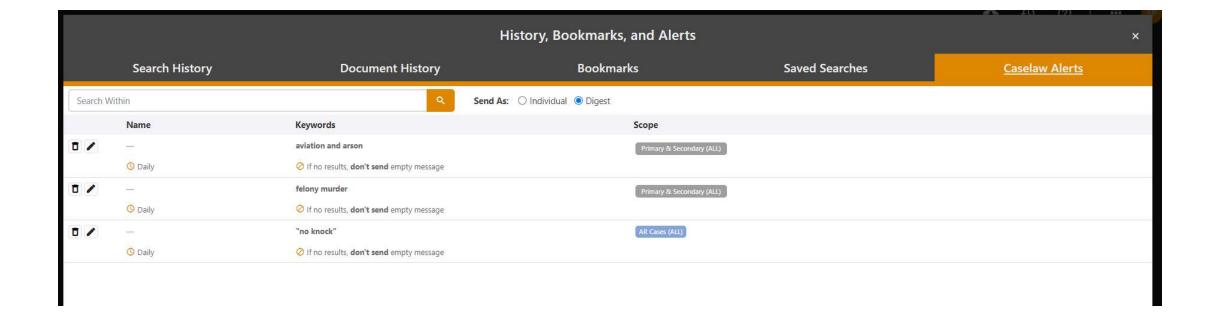
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new secondary content

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- Each item can be added a la carte to your subscription.
- Two included items in all subscriptions only in Fastcase 7: Jurispro expert witness profiles and Lexblog legal blogs.

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Less May Be More When It Comes To Job References (LexBlog)

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Author: Daniel Schwartz

We have all heard the admonition that "less is more."

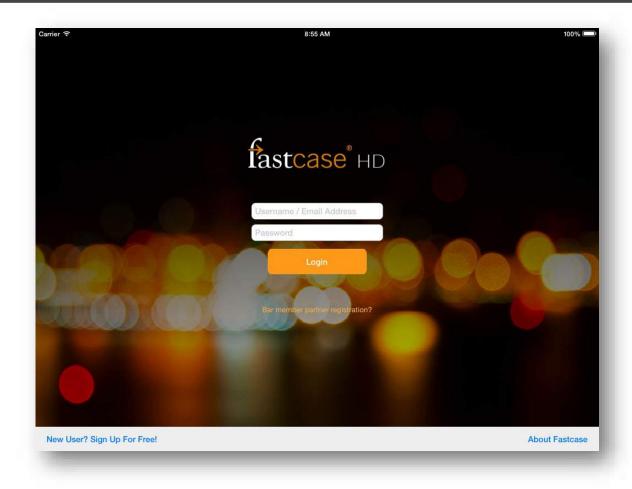
In an opinion that will be released next week, the Connecticut Appellate Court reminds us just how true that admonition is. In fact, the court's decision gave one employer more than 400,000 reasons to heed the adage in the future.



The case, Nelson v. Tradewind Aviation, LLC, arose from a defamation lawsuit. According to the court's opinion, the plaintiff had worked as a pilot for Tradewind Aviation for a summer back in 2007. At the end of the season, the company needed to downsize for the winter. The plaintiff and others were laid off. His termination paperwork indicated that he had been laid off due to lack of work.



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let's give it a shot

Problem 1: Fries on the Metro

What is the basis of those no eating on the metro signs? How would we find a good case that sums it up?





more practice

Problem 2: Cell Data

 Can the police, after seizing a cell phone from a person as part of an arrest, look through the phone's data without a warrant? Search only Federal Appellate decisions that are less than 10 years old.



