**Basic Legal Research Workbook**

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**Exercise 1.1
Introduction to Constitutions, Codes, and Cases**

Name: Due Date:

Professor: Section:

Problem Set: \_\_\_\_

I**. Review Questions**

A.

B.

C.

**II. Locating Federal Authorities**

**A. United States Constitution**

A.1.

A.2.

A.3.

A.4.

**B. Federal Statutes**

B.1.

B.2.

B.3.

**C. Federal Cases**

C.1.

C.2.

C.3.

**III. Locating State Authorities**

**A. State Constitutions**

A.1.

A.2.

A.3.

A.4.

**B. State Statutes**

B.1.

B.2.

B.3.

**C. State Cases**

C.1.

C.2.

C.3.

**Exercise 1.2
Basic Legal Research: Comparing Online Services**

Name: Due Date:

Professor: Section:

Problem Set: \_\_\_\_

**I. Westlaw**

**A. Locating Cases in Westlaw**

A.1.

A.2.

A.3.

**B. Locating Statutes in Westlaw**

B.1.

B.2.

**II. Lexis**

**A. Locating Cases in Lexis**

A.1.

A.2.

A.3.

**B. Locating Statutes in Lexis**

B.1.

B.2.

**III. Bloomberg Law**

**A.  Locating Cases in Bloomberg Law**

A.1.

A.2.

A.3.

**B. Locating Statutes in Bloomberg Law**

B.1.

B.2.

**Exercise 2.1
Generating Search Terms**

*See separate document for landscape charts.*

**Exercise 3.1
Researching Secondary Sources Online
with Table of Contents and Word Searches**

Name: Due Date:

Professor: Section:

**I. Review Questions**

A.

B.

C.

**II. Westlaw**

**A. Searching a Legal Encyclopedia Using the Table of Contents**

A.1.

A.2.

A.3.

A.4.

**B. Locating A.L.R. Annotations Using Word Searches**

B.1.

B.2.

B.3.

B.4

**C. Researching Multiple Secondary Sources**

C.1.

C.2.a.

C.2.b.

**III. Lexis**

**A. Locating Legal Periodicals Using Word Searches**

A.1.

A.2.

**B. Locating Restatements of the Law Using Word Searches**

B.1.

B.2.

**C. Researching Other Secondary Sources**

C.1.

C.2.

**IV. Subscription Databases for Legal Periodicals**

A.

B.

C.

**Exercise 3.2
Researching Legal Encyclopedias and A.L.R. Annotations**

Name: Due Date:

Professor: Section:

**I. Review Questions**

A.

B.

C.

**II. Researching by Citation in Legal Encyclopedias**

A.1.

A.2.

B.

**III. Researching by Word Search or Index in A.L.R. Annotations**

A.

B.1.

B.2.

C.

D.

**Exercise 3.3
Researching Secondary Sources on Your Own**

Name: Due Date:

Professor: Section:

Problem Set: \_\_\_\_

I.

II.

III.

**Exercise 4.1
Researching Cases Online with Word Searches**

Name: Due Date:

Professor: Section:

**I. Review Questions**

A.

B.

C.

**II. Legal Question**

(There are no questions to answer for this portion of the exercise.)

**III. Word Searching in Online Databases**

**A. Lexis**

A.1.

A.2.

A.3.a.

A.3.b.

**B. Bloomberg Law**

B.1.

B.2.

**IV. Internet**

A.

B.

C.

**Exercise 4.2
Researching Cases by Subject or Topic**

Name: Due Date:

Professor: Section:

Problem Set: \_\_\_\_

**I. Review Questions**

A.

B.

C.

**II. Working from a Case on Point**

A.

B.

C.1.

C.2.

D.1.

D.2.

**III. Searching by Topic or Using the Descriptive Word Index**

A.

B.

C.

**Exercise 4.3
Researching Cases on Your Own**

Name: Due Date:

Professor: Section:

Problem Set: \_\_\_\_

**I. Selecting a Digest, Database, or Research Source**

**II. Conducting Research**

**III. Determining Which Case(s) Apply**

**IV. Answering the Legal Question**

**Exercise 5.1
Researching Cases with Citators**

Name: Due Date:

Professor: Section:

Problem Set: \_\_\_\_

**I. Review Questions**

A.

B.

C.

**II. Using KeyCite, Shepard’s, and BCite**

**A. Checking Case Citations with KeyCite in Westlaw**

A.1.

A.2.

A.3.

A.4.

A.5.

A.6.

**B. Checking Case Citations with Shepard’s in Lexis**

B.1.

B.2.

B.3.

B.4.

**C. Checking Case Citations with BCite in Bloomberg Law**

C.1.

C.2.

C.3.

C.4

**Exercise 5.2
Researching Statutes and Secondary Sources with Citators**

Name: Due Date:

Professor: Section:

**I. Shepard’s in Lexis**

A.

B.

C.

D.

**II. KeyCite in Westlaw**

A.1.

A.2.

B.1.

B.2.

B.3.

C.1.

C.2.

**III. Citations in Bloomberg Law**

A.

B.

**Exercise 5.3
Checking Case Citations on Your Own**

Name: Due Date:

Professor: Section:

Problem Set: \_\_\_\_

**I. Locating the Case**

**II. Selecting a Citator**

**III. Using the Citator and Interpreting the Entry**

A.

B.

**Exercise 6.1
Researching Statutory Provisions Online**

Name: Due Date:

Professor: Section:

**I. Review Questions**

A.

B.

C.

**II. Westlaw**

**A. Searching by Subject in Westlaw**

A.1.

A.2.

A.3.a.

A.3.b.

A.3.c.

**B. Updating Statutory Research with KeyCite**

B.1.

B.2.

**C. Word Searching**

C.1.

C.2.

C.3.

**III. Lexis**

**A. Word Searching**

A.1.

A.2.

A.3.

A.4.

**B. Shepardizing Statutes**

Citation:

**IV. Bloomberg Law**

A.

B.

C.

D.

**V. Statutory Research on the Internet**

**A. State Statutory Research**

A.1.

A.2.

**B. Federal Statutory Research**

B.1.

B.2.

B.3.

**Exercise 6.2
Researching with Statutory Indexes and Tables**

Name: Due Date:

Professor: Section:

Problem Set: \_\_\_\_

**I. Annotated State Codes**

**A. Starting Research with an Index**

A.1.

A.2.

A.3.

A.4.

**B. Using a Statutory Outline**

B.1.

B.2.

**II. Federal Codes**

A.

B.

C.

C.1.

C.2.

**Exercise 6.3
Researching Statutes on Your Own**

Name: Due Date:

Professor: Section:

Problem Set: \_\_\_\_

**I. Conducting Research**

Steps:

**II. Determining Which Statute Applies**

Statutory provision(s):

1.

2.

**III. Answering the Legal Questions**

Answer:

1.

2.

**Exercise 7.1
Researching the Legislative History of a Federal Statute
Using Statutory Annotations**

Name: Due Date:

Professor: Section:

Problem Set: \_\_\_\_

**I. Review Questions**

A.

B.

C.

**II. Using Statutory Annotations to Research the Legislative History of a Specific Statute**

A.

B.1.

B.2.

B.3.

C.1.

C.2.

C.3.

C.4.

**Exercise 7.2
Researching the Legislative History of a Federal Statute by Subject**

Name: Due Date:

Professor: Section:

Problem Set: \_\_\_\_

**I. Locating Legislative History in the *Congressional Record***

A.

B.

C.

**II. Locating Legislative History in Committee Testimony**

A.

B.

**Exercise 7.3
Researching the Legislative History of a Federal Statute
with Congress.gov**

Name: Due Date:

Professor: Section:

**I. A.**

**I. B.**

**II. A.**

**II. B.**

**III. A.**

**III. B.**

**IV. A.**

**IV. B.**

**IV. C.**

**V. A.**

**V. B.**

**Exercise 8.1
Researching Federal Administrative Regulations from a Statute**

Name: Due Date:

Professor: Section:

Problem Set: \_\_\_\_

**I. Review Questions**

A.

B.

C.

**II. Researching Federal Regulations Using Statutory Annotations**

A.1.

A.2.

A.3.

A.4.

A.5.a.

A.5.b.

B.1.

B.2.

B.3.

**III. Researching Regulatory History in the *Federal Register***

**Exercise 8.2
Researching Federal Administrative Regulations
Using Government Websites**

Name: Due Date:

Professor: Section:

**I. Researching Federal Regulations Using an Agency Website**

A.1.

A.2.

A.3.

B.1.

B.2.

**II. Researching Federal Regulations Using General Government
Research Websites**

A.1.

A.2.

B.1.

B.2.

B.3.

**Exercise 8.3
Researching Federal Administrative Regulations on Your Own**

Name: Due Date:

Professor: Section:

**I. Locating Federal Regulations**

A.

B.

**II. Resolving the Client Matter**

A.

B.

C.

**Exercise 9.1
Developing and Executing a Research Plan**

Name: Due Date:

Professor: Section:

Problem Set: \_\_\_\_

**I. Obtaining Preliminary Information**

**II. Drafting a Preliminary Issue Statement**

**III. Generating Search Terms**

**IV. Planning and Executing Your Research Plan**

A.

B.

C.

D.

E.

F.

G.

H.

I.

J.

K.

**V. Answering the Legal Questions**

**DIGITAL SUPPLEMENT**

**Exercise 10.1
Digital Searching Techniques**

Name: Due Date:

Professor: Section:

**I. Westlaw**

**A. Selecting a Database or Jurisdiction**

A.1.

A.2.

A.3.

A.4.

**B. Constructing and Executing a Search—Boolean Search Techniques**

B.1.a.

B.1.b.

B.2.a.

B.2.b.

**C. Limiting and Refining Search Results**

C.1.

C.2.

C.3.

C.4.

**II. Lexis**

**A. Selecting a Database or Jurisdiction**

A.1.

A.2.

A.3.

A.4.

A.5.

**B. Constructing and Executing a Search—Boolean Search Techniques**

B.1.a.

B.1.b.

B.2.a.

B.2.b.

**C. Limiting and Refining Search Results**

C.1.

C.2.

**III. Bloomberg Law**

**A.**Selecting a Database or Jurisdiction

A.1.

A.2.

A.3.

**B. Constructing and Executing a Search—Boolean Search Techniques**

B.1.a.

B.1.b.

B.1.c.

B.2.a.

B.2.b.

**C. Limiting and Refining Search Results**

C.1.

C.2.