

# Lexis Nexis – Using the New Interface

**Easy Search** This is the default search that appears when you first open the Lexis Nexis database. There are six ways to search in the **Easy Search**; **News**, **Legal Case**, **Company Info**, **Countries**, **People** or **Combined Search**.

## **To Search for News**

**1.** To search for **News**, enter words or phrases related to your subject in Search for box, just as if you were searching on the Internet.

**2.** You can narrow your search by selecting the **Source Type**. To select, use the drop-down box next to select the source type you'd like to search. You can also type in a specific source title (ex. *New York Times*).

**3.** To complete your search, click on the **Go** button, located below where you entered your terms.

You can also choose to do a more-specific **All News** Search. (See below for more information on this search)

The **All News** search allows you to enter multiple search terms and limit search by date, source type and type of news. You can search by title, author, or subject term.

## To Search for Legal Cases

The screenshot shows the LexisNexis Academic homepage. On the left is a navigation menu with categories like News, US Legal, International Legal, Companies, Subject Areas, Sources, and Help & Instructions. The main content area features several search boxes: 'Easy Search™', 'Search the News', 'Look up a Legal Case', 'Get Company Info', 'Search People', and 'Combined Search'. Each search box has a 'Go' button. A red banner at the top of the main content area reads 'Use of this service is subject to Terms and Conditions'. A 'Home' link is in the top right corner. A 'Help | Clear' link is next to the 'Easy Search™' box.

1. To look up information on a specific **Legal Case**, you can search **by citation**, **by parties** involved or **by topic**.

2. To complete your search, click on the **Go** button, located below where you entered your terms.

3. You can also narrow your search using Lexis-Nexis specialized search engines for US and Federal **Cases** or **Landmark Cases**. (See below for more information on these types of searches.)

The screenshot shows the 'US Federal & State Cases' search page. The left navigation menu is expanded to show 'US Legal' > 'Federal & State Cases'. The main search area has a 'Search For:' field with three rows of search criteria, each with an 'And' dropdown and an 'in' dropdown set to 'Everywhere'. A red 'Search' button is to the right. Below the search fields are 'Specify Date:' (set to 'All available dates') and 'Jurisdiction:' (set to 'All Federal & State Courts'). A tip at the bottom says: 'Tip: As a shortcut, you can search by case name by simply typing the case name followed by a comma and the party name (like: Mapp v. Ohio) and clicking Search. Read the Help in the footer for more information on the best results. For more options try Edit in Power Search.'

The **U.S. Federal Case** search allows you to narrow your search using your own search terms that can include parties involved or key terms. You can also limit by date and court system (ex. Federal, Supreme or State court)

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**General Searching**

News

**US Legal**

- » Federal & State Cases
- » Shepard's® Citations
- » Landmark Cases
- » Federal Statutes, Codes & Regulations
- » State Statutes, Codes & Regulations
- » Law Reviews
- » Legal Reference
- » Patents
- » Tax Law

**International Legal**

Companies

Subject Areas

Sources

Help & Instructions

## Landmark US Legal Cases

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Use the Federal & State Cases search form to

### Abortion & Birth Control

- 1965 [Griswold v. Connecticut, 381 U.S. 479](#)  
Defendants, a director of medical clinic and a doctor, challenged a decision from the Supreme Court of Errors of Connecticut, which convicted them of violating a state law that prohibited the dispensing or use of ...
- 1973 [Roe v. Wade, 410 U.S. 113](#)  
Plaintiffs, a pregnant single woman and a married couple, and intervenor physician sued defendant district attorney challenging the constitutionality of Texas abortion laws, and sought an injunction. The United ...
- 1989 [Webster v. Reproductive Health Services, 492 U.S. 490](#)  
Appellees, public health care officials and nonprofit corporations that performed abortions, filed a class action against appellant State of Missouri, which challenged the constitutionality of a Missouri statute ...
- 1992 [Planned Parenthood v. Casey, 505 U.S. 833](#)  
Petitioners, abortion clinics and physician, brought suit against respondents, the governor and others, seeking declaratory and injunctive relief from five provisions of the Pennsylvania Abortion Control Act of ...
- 2000 [Stenberg v. Carhart, 530 U.S. 914](#)  
In an action brought by plaintiff physician challenging the constitutionality of Neb. Rev. Stat. § 28-328 (Supp. 1999), which criminalizes performance of "partial birth abortions," the Court granted certiorari to ...
- 2007 [Gonzales v. Carhart, 550 U.S. 124](#)  
Petitioner, the United States Attorney General, sought certiorari review of judgments from the United States Courts of Appeals for the Eighth and Ninth Circuits affirming district court rulings in favor of ...

The **Landmark US Legal Case** search allows you to browse a list of landmark cases that have been divided into key subject areas. By clicking on the highlighted case, you will see a full citation of the case.

## To search for Company Info

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**General Searching**

- » Easy Search™
- » Power Search

» **Tip:** Click the headings below to view links to specialized search forms and other useful features.

News

**US Legal**

International Legal

Companies

Subject Areas

Sources

Help & Instructions

## Easy Search™

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**Search**

Covers 19 million companies.

Search For

**By Source Type**

Major World Publications

**Or by Source Title**

Start typing a title like **New York Times**

» Try also [All News](#) search & [Sources](#) directory.

**Go**

**By Citation** like 163 U.S. 537

**Or by Parties** like *Mapp v. Ohio*

 v. 

**Or by Topic** like *Equal Opportunity*

» Try also [Cases](#), [Landmark Cases](#), [Citation Help](#), & [Topic Help](#).

**Get Company Info**

Covers 43 million companies.

**By Name** like *Microsoft*

**Or by Ticker** like *MSFT*

» Try also [Company Dossier](#) search & [Company Profiles](#) search.

**Go**

**1. To Get Company Info**, this search allows you to search for business information using Company name or Ticker symbol.

**2. To complete your search**, click on the **Go** button, located below where you entered your terms.

## To Research Countries

1. To find news from or information about a specific country, you can choose by selecting from the drop down box located under the **Research Countries** box.

2. You can choose the **Source** for your search or select a more general recent news search by using the drop down box.

3. To complete your search, click on the **Go** button, located below where you entered your terms.

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## To Research People

1. To find biographical profile articles and news stories about public figures, you can search the **Research People** search. You must provide a **last name**, with an option for adding the First Name.

2. You can choose to search for Biographical Reference articles or Recent News Stories by using the **Source** drop down box, located below where you entered the name.

3. To complete your search, click on the **Go** button, located below where you selected your search terms.

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## To do a Combined Search

**1.** The **Combined Search** allows you to search for multiple kinds of content in various source locations. To begin, enter your search term in the **Search for** box.

**2.** This search also allows you to limit your search to a specific time frame. You can choose to limit by date by using the **Date** drop down box.

**3.** You can also narrow your search by selecting where you would like to search including news, profiles, cases and reviews. This search is more advanced than the basic news search and not as detailed as the power search.

**4.** To complete your search, click on the **Go** button, located below where you selected your search terms.

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## Power Search

This is the advanced search you see when you click on the words "Power Search" located in the left hand column of the page.

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**1.** To start your search, enter your **Search Terms** in the search box. The default search uses **Terms & connectors** this means you must use connectors (and/or) in your search if you are using more than one

**2.** You can also narrow your search by selecting a **date range**. Use the drop down box to make your selection.

**3.** Adding index terms can also help to limit your search. To **add index terms**, click on the link under the search box that you want to add.

**4.** Use the drop down box to select **Sources**. You can also search for a specific source by name by typing in the title in the **By Name** box.

**5.** To complete your search, click on the **Search** button, located next to where you entered your terms.

To search without connectors or specific language, you can select **Natural Language** under the type of search terms and then enter words or phrases as you would enter them into a search on the Internet.