

Experiential Legal Writing I - Citations Quiz

INSTRUCTIONS

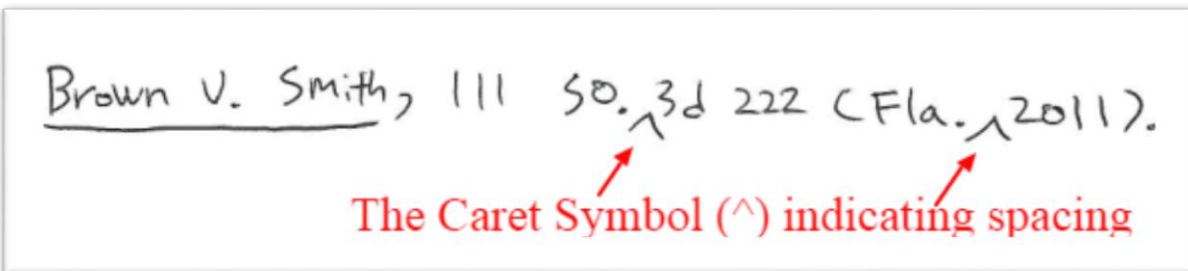
Put the following information in correct *Bluebook* citation form. Assume that the authority is being cited in **citation sentences** in a brief to the United States Supreme Court **unless otherwise noted**. Also keep in mind that questions are not related to each other **unless otherwise noted**.

Typeface: For each question, you must use the correct typeface. According to Bluebook Rule B2, court documents and legal memoranda use two typefaces: ordinary type and *italics* (or underscoring). For this quiz, please use underscoring where applicable.

Spacing: Please use the caret symbol (^) to indicate spacing. Alternatively, you may indicate spacing by leaving a reasonable amount of space.

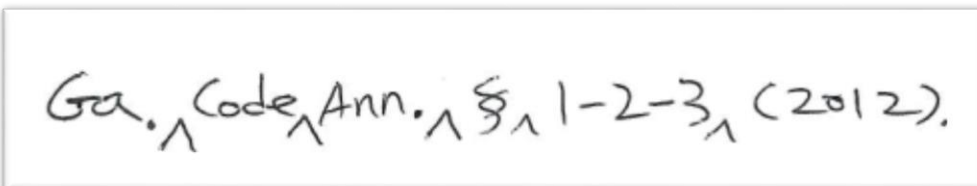
For Questions 1, 2, 3, and 7 (Part 1 - Cases): Indicate spacing for the reporter abbreviation AND the parenthetical information.

Example: Brown v. Smith, 111 So. 3d 222 (Fla. 2011).



For Questions 11, 12, and 17 (Part 2 - Statutes): Indicate spacing wherever spacing is required.

Example: Ga. Code Ann. § 1-2-3 (2012).



Part 1 – Cases

1. Latoya Lee, Appellant **VERSUS** State of Indiana, Appellee

This case was decided by the Supreme Court of Indiana on November 5, 2015. It appears in volume 43, page 1271, of *North Eastern Reporter*, Third Series.

Answer: Lee v. State, 43 N.E.3d 1271 (Ind. 2015)

- Rule 10.2.1(f) (page 99) explains why it's Lee v. State rather than Lee v. Indiana or Lee v. State of Indiana.
- Table 1.3 for Indiana (page 263) shows how to cite a case from Indiana state courts. It also provides abbreviations for North Eastern Reporter.

2. GEICO General Insurance Company, Appellant–Defendant **VERSUS** Laura B. Coyne, Cheryl A. O'Mailia, and James O'Mailia, Appellees–Plaintiffs

This case was decided by the Court of Appeals of Indiana on April 17, 2014. It appears in volume 7, page 300, of *North Eastern Reporter*, Third Series.

Answer: GEICO Gen. Ins. Co. v. Coyne, 7 N.E.3d 300 (Ind. Ct. App. 2014).

- Only retain the first entities on each side. Thus, omit the O'Mailias.
- Table 6 says
 - General = Gen.
 - Insurance = Ins.
 - Company = Co.
- Table 1.3 for Indiana (page 263) tells you how to cite a case from the Court of Appeals of Indiana.
 - Parenthetical -> (Ind. Ct. App. <year>).

3. You would like to cite the case from Question 2 for the first time. You would like to cite the case in a **textual sentence**, as opposed to a citation sentence or clause. Please provide the correct full citation for a textual sentence.

Answer: GEICO General Insurance Co. v. Coyne, 7 N.E.3d 300 (Ind. Ct. App. 2014).

- See B10.1.1(vi) on page 12. When citing a case in a textual sentence for the first time, only abbreviate widely known acronyms and the following 8 words
 - & / Ass'n / Bros. / Co. / Corp. / Inc. / Ltd. / No.

4. What is the correct citation for a case of United States of America **VERSUS** Daryl Ramone Wilson?

This case was decided by the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit on September 18, 2007. It appears on volume 502, page 718, of *Federal Reporter*, Third Series.

- A. U.S v. Wilson, 502 F.3d 718 (7th Cir. 2007).
- B. United States v. Wilson, 502 F.3d 718 (7th Cir. 2007).
- C. United States v. Wilson, 502 F.3d 718 (C.A. 7. 2007).
- D. United States v. Wilson, 502 F.3d 718 (2007).

Answer: B

- When the United States is a party, do not abbreviate it. Use “United States”
 - Thus, A is wrong.
- The correct parenthetical for a Seventh Circuit case is (7th Cir. 2007).
 - C.A.7 is a Westlaw convention. It has nothing to do with Bluebook citations.

5. What is the correct citation for a case of L.O., by her Parents and Next Friends, D.O., and D.O. **VERSUS** East Allen County School Corporation? (*hint*: L.O brought this suit through D.O, her parent)

This case was decided by the United States District Court for the Northern District of Indiana on September 30, 2014. It appears on volume 58, page 882, of *Federal Supplements*, Third Series

- A. L.O. ex rel. D.O. v. E. Allen Cty. Sch. Corp., 58 F.3d 882 (N.D. Ind. 2014).
- B. L.O. in re D.O. v. E. Allen Cty. Sch. Corp., 58 F. Supp. 3d 882 (N.D. Ind. 2014).
- C. L.O. ex rel. D.O. v. E. Allen Cty. Sch. Corp., 58 F. Supp. 3d 882 (N.D. Ind. 2014).
- D. L.O. in re D.O. v. E. Allen Cty. Sch. Corp., 58 F. Supp. 3d 882 (N. Dist. Ind. 2014).

Answer: C

- LO is filing the suit through DO. The correct procedural phrase is “ex rel.” Thus, B and D are wrong. See B10.1.1(iv) (page 11)
- A is wrong because it has a wrong reporter. F.3d is the reporter abbreviation for Federal Reporter, Third Series.
 - F. Supp. 3d is the abbreviation for Federal Supplements, Third Series
- See Table 1.1

6. You found the following case (see screenshot below) and would like to cite it in your brief. You noticed that this case appears both in *United States Reports* and *Supreme Court Reporter*. Please select the correct citation.

526 U.S. 795 **CLEVELAND v. POLICY MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS CORP.** 1597
Cite as 119 S.Ct. 1597 (1999)

petitioners who have not abused our certiorari process.

Judgment of Court of Appeals vacated and case remanded.

It is so ordered.

Justice STEVENS, dissenting.

As I have suggested in the past, the Court uses more of its “limited resources” preparing, entering, and policing orders of this kind than it would by following a consistent policy of simply denying the many frivolous petitions that are filed by a large number of litigants. See *Martin v. District of Columbia Court of Appeals*, 506 U.S. 1, 4, 113 S.Ct. 397, 121 L.Ed.2d 305 (1992) (STEVENS, J., dissenting), and cases cited. I respectfully dissent.

1. Estoppel ⇨68(2)

Claims for Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) benefits and for damages under Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) do not inherently conflict to the point where courts should apply a special negative presumption that receipt of SSDI benefits estops the recipient from pursuing an ADA claim. Social Security Act, § 223(d)(2)(A), as amended, 42 U.S.C.A. § 423(d)(2)(A); Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, § 101(8), 42 U.S.C.A. § 12111(8).

2. Social Security and Public Welfare ⇨140.10

When the Social Security Administration (SSA) determines whether an individual is disabled for Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) purposes, it does not take the possibility of “reasonable accommodation” into account, nor need an applicant refer to the possibility of reasonable accommodation when she applies for SSDI.

3. Civil Rights ⇨173.1

If an individual has merely applied for, but has not been awarded, Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) benefits, any inconsistency with a claim under Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is of the sort

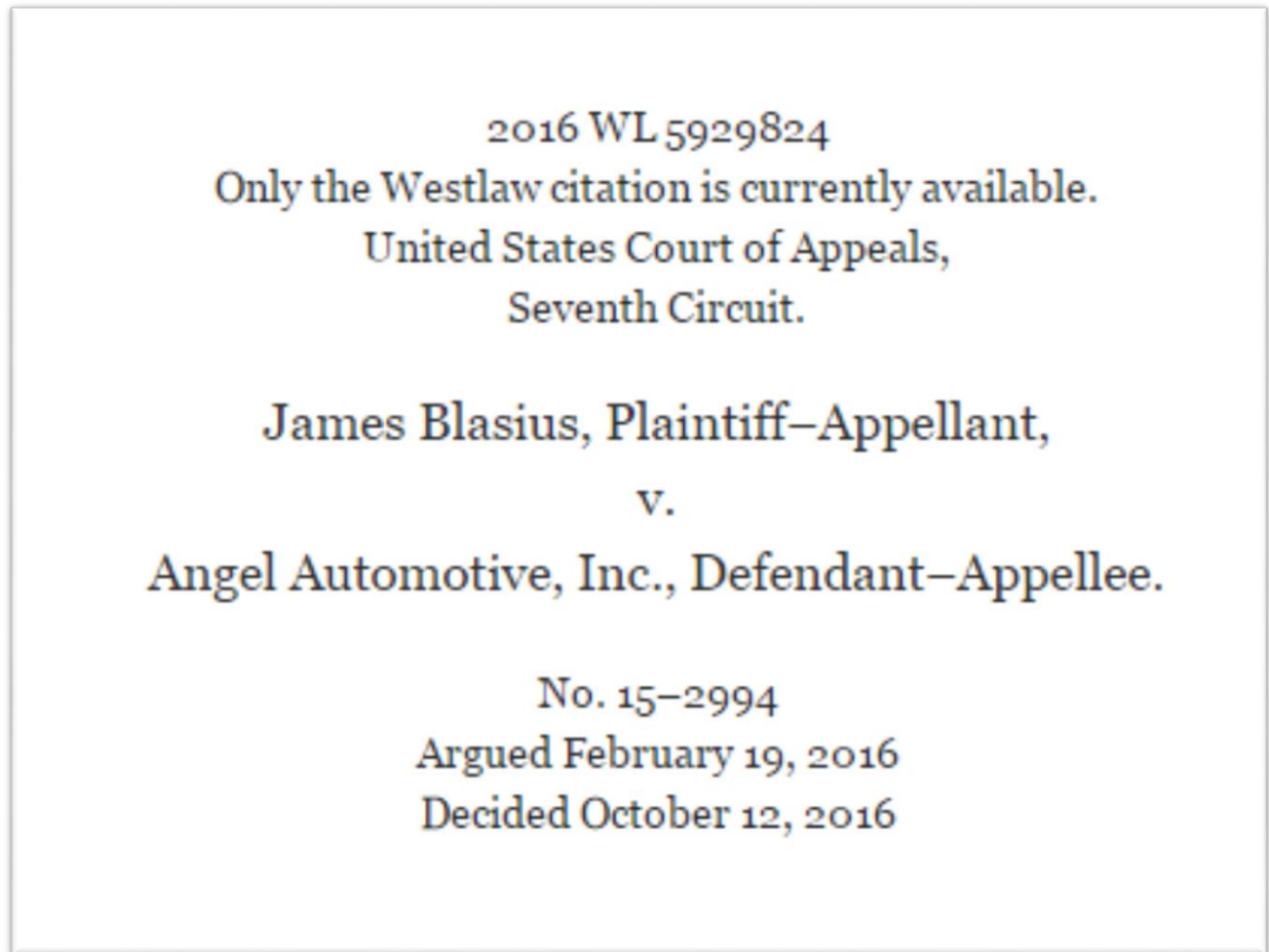


526 U.S. 795, 143 L.Ed.2d 966
 1736 Carolyn C. CLEVELAND, Petitioner,
 v.
POLICY MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS CORPORATION, et al.
 No. 97-1008.
 Argued Feb. 24, 1999.
 Decided May 24, 1999.

- A. Cleveland v. Policy Mgmt. Sys. Corp., 526 U.S. 795 (1999).
- B. Cleveland v. Policy Management Systems Corp., 119 S. Ct. 1597 (1999).
- C. Cleveland v. Policy Management Sys. Corp., 526 U.S. 795 (U.S. 1999).
- D. Cleveland v. Pol. Mgmt. Systems Corp., 526 U.S. 795 (1999).
- E. Cleveland v. Policy Mgmt. Sys. Corp., 119 S. Ct. 1597 (1999).

(Answer: A). Cite to the official version (United States Report = U.S.) if the case appears there.

7. You used Westlaw and found the following recent case from the 7th Circuit. It has not been added to the Federal Reporter. You would like to cite to page *6. Please provide the correct citation.



Answer:

Blasius v. Angel Auto., Inc., No. 15-2994, 2016 WL 5929824, at *6 (7th Cir. Oct. 12, 2016)

- T6 says Automotive -> Auto.
- B10.1.4(i) and Rule 10.8.1(a) tells you how to cite unreported/pending cases available on electronic databases.
 - Cite to the case docket number and the database identifier as they appear.
 - Here, the docket number is No. 15-2994
 - The database identifier is 2016 WL 5929824

8. You cited Griggs v. State Farm Lloyds, 181 F.3d 694 (5th Cir. 1999) in your brief. You then cited another case in the following sentence. You would like to cite Griggs v. State Farm Lloyds again in the next page. This time, you would like to cite a paragraph from pages 700 and 701 of the case. Please select the correct short citation.

- A. Id. at 700-01.
- B. Griggs, at 700-01.
- C. Griggs, 181 F.3d at 700-01 (1999).
- D. Griggs, 181 F.3d at 700-01.

Answer: D

- **See B10.2 (pages 16 & 17)**

9. In the first sentence of your brief, you cited Rico v. Flores, 481 F.3d 234, 237 (5th Cir. 2007). You did not cite any other authority. In the immediately following sentence, you would like to cite the case again. This time, you would like to cite page 240. Please select the correct short citation.

- A. Id. at 240.
- B. Id.
- C. Rico, 481 F.3d at 240.
- D. Rico, at 240.

Answer: A

- **See B10.2 (pages 16 & 17)**

10. You want to cite to page 38 of Fruth v. Lear, 688 A.2d 35 (Pa. 1998). As part of the citation, you want to explain that the court held that the defendant breached the contract. Please select the correct citation.

- A. Fruth v. Lear, 688 A.2d 35 (Pa. 1998), held that the defendant breached the contract.
- B. Fruth v. Lear, 688 A.2d 35 (Pa. 1998), holding that the defendant breached the contract.
- C. Fruth v. Lear, 688 A.2d 35 (Pa. 1998) (held that the defendant breached the contract).
- D. Fruth v. Lear, 688 A.2d 35 (Pa. 1998) (holding that the defendant breached the contract).

Answer: D (See Bluebook B1.3)

- Note: There is a typo. The answer should include the pinpoint citation. The purpose of this question was to ask you how to provide explanatory parentheticals correctly. Usually, explanatory parentheticals begin with a present participle (“-ing”). See B1.3 for more info.

Part 2 – Statutes

11. You would like to cite Rule 12(b)(6) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. Please provide the correct citation.

Answer: Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(b)(6).

- **See B12.1.3.**

12. You would like to cite section 501 of Title 17 of the United States Code. It appears in both the main volume (published in 2012) and Supplement II (published in 2014). Please provide the correct citation.

Answer: 17 U.S.C. § 501 (2012 & Supp. II 2014).

- Rule 12.3.2 tells you to look at Rule 3.1(c) to cite materials that appear in both the main volume and a supplement or a pocket part.

13. You would like to cite sections 1544 and 1546 of Title 18 of the United States Code, published in 2012. Please select the correct citation.

- A. 18 U.S.C. §§ 1544, 1546 (2012).
- B. 18 U.S.C. § 1544, 1546 (2012).
- C. 18 U.S.C. §§ 1544, 1546 (2012).
- D. 18 U.S.C. §§ 1544, 1546.

Answer: A

- **B is wrong because it has 1 section symbol. C is wrong because you don't underscore/italicize statutes. D is wrong because there is no parenthetical for year**

14. You cited section 1331 of Title 28 of the United States Code (published in 2006). You then cited a case. Now you would like to cite section 1332 of Title 28 of the United States Code. Please select the correct short citation.

- A. Id. at § 1332.
- B. Id. § 1332.
- C. § 1332.
- D. § 1332 (2006).

Answer: C

- **A & B are wrong because there is an intervening citation. D is wrong because you omit parenthetical for short cite). See B12.2 & 12.10.**

15. You cited 42 U.S.C. § 1983 (2012). You have not cited any other authority. In the following sentence, you would like to cite section 1985 of the same title. Please select the correct citation.

- A. Id. at § 1985.
- B. Id. § 1985.
- C. Id.

Answer: B (there is no “at” for short forms for statutes).

16. You would like to cite sections 103 through 107 of Title 17 of the United States Code (published in 2012). Please select the correct citation

- A. 17 U.S.C. § 103-07 (2012).
- B. 17 U.S.C. §§ 103-07 (2012).
- C. 17 U.S.C. § 103-107 (2012).
- D. 17 U.S.C. §§ 103-107 (2012).

Answer: D

- When citing multiple statutory sections, you don’t omit digits. Also, you need to provide 2 section symbols. See Rule 3.3(b) (page 75)

17. Cite section 22-5-3-2 of *Indiana Code* (published in 2012)

Answer: Ind. Code § 22-5-3-2 (2012).

- See Table 1.3 for Indiana (page 263). Under “Statutory Compilations”, you will see that Indiana Code is to be cited as Ind. Code § x-x-x-x (year).
- [Side-note]. Your jurisdiction’s local rules may provide alternate rules for citing state statutes. For example, Indiana courts allow you to cite Indiana Code as IC § x-x-x-x. Check your jurisdiction’s local rules before you begin your summer internship. For this Quiz, follow the Bluebook rules.

Part 3 – Secondary Sources

18. You would like to cite the following New York Times article in your brief. Please select the correct citation.

- Author: Michael S. Schmidt & Richard Sandomir
- Title: Baseball Taking Control of Dodgers' Operations
- Newspaper: New York Times
- Date: 4/21/2011
- Page: B2

A. Michael S. Schmidt & Richard Sandomir, Baseball Taking Control of Dodgers' Operations, N.Y. Times, Apr. 21, 2011, at B2.

B. Michael S. Schmidt & Richard Sandomir, Baseball Taking Control of Dodgers' Operations, N.Y. Times at B2 (Apr. 21, 2011).

C. Michael S. Schmidt & Richard Sandomir, Baseball Taking Control of Dodgers' Operations, N.Y. Times at B2 (Apr. 21, 2011).

D. Michael S. Schmidt & Richard Sandomir, Baseball Taking Control of Dodgers' Operations, N.Y. Times, Apr. 21, 2011, at B2.

Answer: A

- **See B16.1.4**

19. You would like to cite the following law review article. Please select the correct citation. Keep in mind that you are working on a legal brief, not an academic paper.

- Author: Charles P. Cercone
- Title: The War Against Work Product Abuse: Exposing the Legal Alchemy of Document Compilations As Work Product
- The article begins on page 639 of volume 64 of University of Pittsburgh Law Review
- Year: 2003

A. Charles P. Cercone, *The War Against Work Product Abuse: Exposing the Legal Alchemy of Document Compilations As Work Product*, 64 U. Pitt. L. Rev. 639 (2003)

B. Charles P. Cercone, The War Against Work Product Abuse: Exposing the Legal Alchemy of Document Compilations As Work Product, 64 U. Pittsburgh Law Review 639 (2003)

C. Charles P. Cercone, The War Against Work Product Abuse: Exposing the Legal Alchemy of Document Compilations As Work Product, 64 U. Pitt. L. Rev. 639 (2003)

D. Charles P. Cercone, *The War Against Work Product Abuse: Exposing the Legal Alchemy of Document Compilations As Work Product*, 64 U. Pitt. L. Rev. 639 (2003)

Answer: C

- **See B16**

20. You would like to cite page 25 of the following book. Please select the correct citation.

- Authors: Elizabeth Fajans and Mary R. Falk
- Title: *Scholarly Writing for Law Students*
- Edition: 4th edition
- Year: 2011

A. Elizabeth Fajans & Mary R. Falk, *Scholarly Writing for Law Students* 25 (4th ed. 2011).

B. Elizabeth Fajans & Mary R. Falk, Scholarly Writing for Law Students 25 (4th ed. 2011).

C. Elizabeth Fajans & Mary R. Falk, Scholarly Writing for Law Students at 25 (2011).

D. Elizabeth Fajans & Mary R. Falk, Scholarly Writing for Law Students 25.

Answer: B

- **See B15**