



# WESTLAW UK CASE LAW

## Quick Reference Guide



## COVERAGE

- Full text of The Law Reports 1865 onwards and other series of reports including: Weekly Law Reports 1953 onwards; Criminal Appeal Reports 1967 onwards; Fleet Street Reports 1966 onwards
- Full text of many Sweet & Maxwell / Thomson law reports
- Official archive of transcripts dating back to 1967

## METHODS OF SEARCHING

### Home Page

Type in the name of the case you require. Tick Cases from the drop down Options and click search.

Terms and connectors can be viewed via the information icon within the search box.

The screenshot displays the Westlaw Edge UK search interface. At the top, the navigation bar includes 'Cases', 'Legislation', 'Journals', 'Current Awareness', 'Index of Legal Terms', 'EU', 'Westlaw Books', and 'Lawtel'. Below the navigation bar, a search box contains the text 'phelps'. To the right of the search box is an information icon (i) and a dropdown menu labeled 'All content'. Two blue arrows point from the 'All content' dropdown to the 'Cases' option in the filter menu. The filter menu is open, showing 'No items selected' and a 'Natural language' toggle. The filter menu is divided into three columns: 'Content Types', 'Topics', and 'Topics'. The 'Cases' option is checked under 'Content Types'. The 'Topics' column includes options like 'Commercial', 'Companies and partnerships', 'Contract', 'Crime', 'Data and communications', and 'Employment and work'. The 'Topics' column includes options like 'International', 'Land', 'Legal system', 'Litigation and dispute resolution', and 'Local government'.

## Cases on the Toolbar

Click **Cases** on the top toolbar to search or browse across case content.

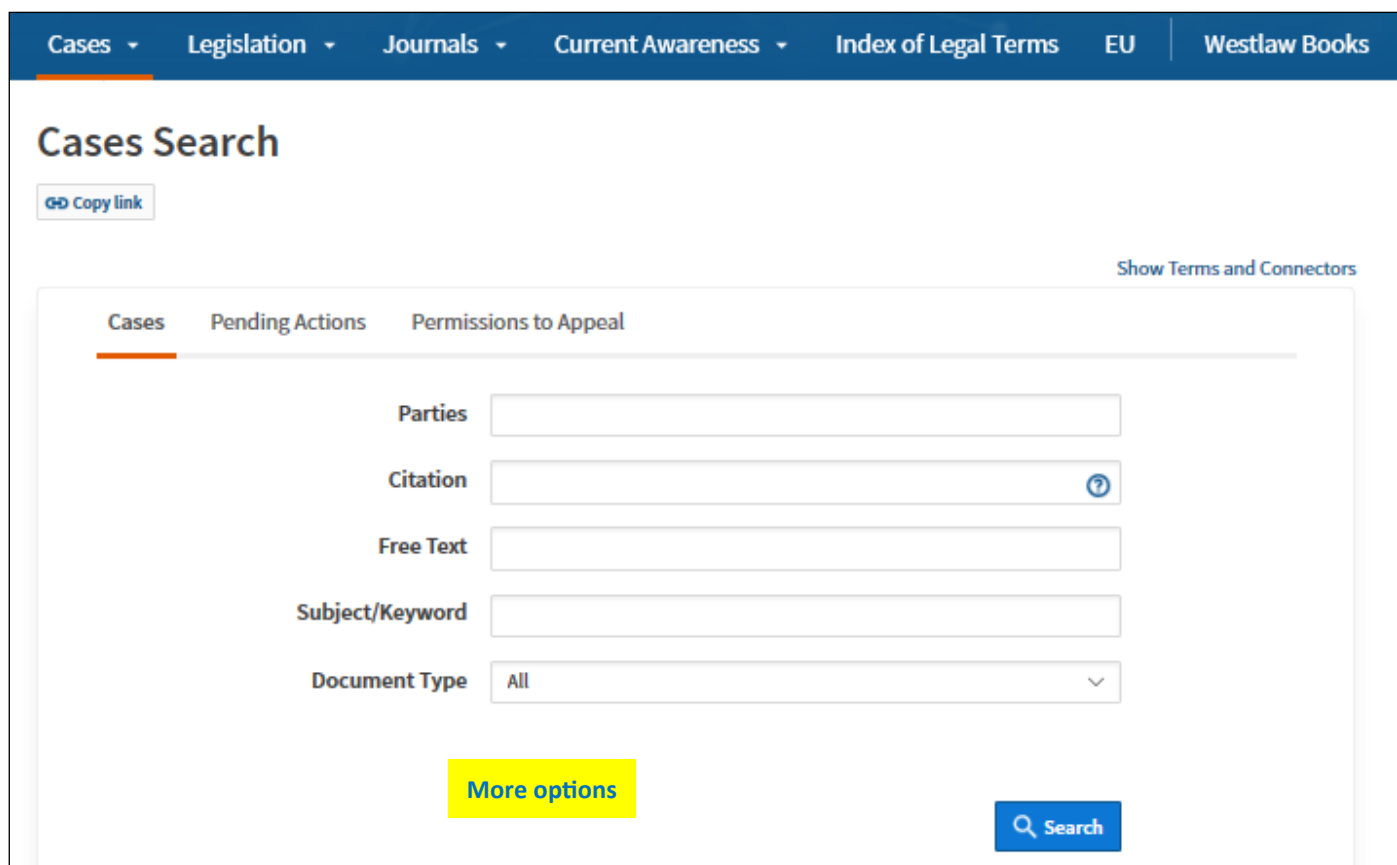
There are five sections:

- Cases Search - for searching for cases
- Courts - for browsing by court
- Law Reports - for browsing law reports
- Quantum Reports - to search for quantum reports on Kemp & Lawtel
- Cite & Print - enter citations to receive judgments, law reports or case analysis documents as appropriate

### Cases Search

The search box allows you to search by Parties, Citation, Free Text or by Subject terms.

Document Type allows you to search Case Analysis, Law Reports and Judgments or all.



The screenshot shows the 'Cases Search' interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for 'Cases', 'Legislation', 'Journals', 'Current Awareness', 'Index of Legal Terms', 'EU', and 'Westlaw Books'. Below this, the 'Cases Search' section is displayed. It includes a 'Copy link' button and a 'Show Terms and Connectors' link. The search area is divided into three tabs: 'Cases', 'Pending Actions', and 'Permissions to Appeal'. The 'Cases' tab is selected. Below the tabs, there are five input fields: 'Parties', 'Citation' (with a help icon), 'Free Text', 'Subject/Keyword', and 'Document Type' (set to 'All'). A 'More options' button is highlighted in yellow, and a 'Search' button is located at the bottom right.

By clicking on **More Options**, additional fields are available such as Court and Judge. There are additional options for Pending Actions and Permissions to Appeal.

<b>Cases</b>	<b>Pending Actions</b>	<b>Permissions to Appeal</b>
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	<b>Parties</b>	<input type="text"/>
	<b>Citation</b>	<input type="text"/> ⓘ
	<b>Free Text</b>	<input type="text"/>
	<b>Subject/Keyword</b>	<input type="text"/>
	<b>Document Type</b>	All ▾
	<b>Full Text Law Reports</b>	All ▾
	<b>Term Defined</b>	<input type="text"/> ⓘ
	<b>Authority</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Significant Cases <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Cases
	<b>Date</b>	All ▾
	<b>Legislation Title</b>	<input type="text"/>
	<b>Legislation Provision No.</b>	Any ▾ <input type="text"/> ⓘ
	<b>Court</b>	<input type="text"/>
	<b>Judge</b>	<input type="text"/>
	<b>Cases Cited (Party)</b>	<input type="text"/>
	<b>Cases Cited (Citation)</b>	<input type="text"/> ⓘ
	<b>Legal Representatives</b>	Any ▾ <input type="text"/>
	<b>Filter by Case Type</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Cases <input type="checkbox"/> Practice Directions <input type="checkbox"/> Permissions to Appeal
	<a href="#">Hide options</a>	
		<input type="button" value="Search"/>

# Law Reports

Here you can browse alphabetically by law report series title. Or you can search by law report series title.

If you want to browse, select a letter from the A-Z list. You can also opt to find titles that are in abstract form only, full text only or all reports.

A list of titles will then be displayed.

Home > Law Reports

## Law Reports

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Clear all

Search by Law Report series

E

- East's King's Bench Reports
- East Abstract
- Eden's Chancery Reports
- Eden

Click on the title you want to browse. The cases within that series are listed in date order. You can select a specific year and display in either date order or in A-Z order.

Cases Legislation Journals Current Awareness Index of Legal Terms EU Westlaw Books

## Education Law Reports

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Year 2012

Hide case summaries

Date A-Z

Search by Case title

1-20

Select all items No items selected

- > **R. (on the application of Arogundade) v Secretary of State for Business, Innovation and Skills**  
Positive/Neutral Judicial Consideration  
Queen's Bench Division (Administrative Court) · [2012] EWHC 2502 (Admin) · 7 Sep 2012  
Case Analysis | [2012] EWHC 2502 (Admin) | [2012] 9 WLUK 110 | [2012] E.L.R. 520 | (2012) 109(36) L.S.G. 16 | Judgment

Summary: To establish eligibility for a student grant under the Education (Student Support) Regulations 2009, an individual had to meet the three-year ordinary residence requirement and for the purposes of Sch.1 Pt 2 para.5(1)(c) that required lawful residence and would not include residence as an overstay in breach of the immigration rules.

- > **Matin v University College London**  
No Substantial Judicial Treatment

# EDITING RESULTS

If your initial Cases search retrieves too many hits you can use the filters on the left of the screen to narrow your search by Topic, Jurisdiction, Court, Date or Status (treatment) etc.

The screenshot shows a search results page for the query "dangerous dogs". The page has a blue header with navigation tabs: Cases, Legislation, Journals, Current Awareness, Index of Legal Terms, EU, and Westlaw Books. Below the header, the breadcrumb trail is "Home > Cases Search > Search Results". The search criteria are "Free Text: 'dangerous dogs'".

On the left, there is a filter sidebar with a list of topics and their counts:

- Crime: 167
- Data and communications: 1
- Employment and work: 4
- Environment: 4
- Equality and human rights: 19
- Family: 2
- Finance: 4
- Health and social welfare: 2
- Insolvency: 1
- International: 3
- Land: 3
- Legal system: 33
- Litigation and dispute resolution: 28
  - Local government: 4
- Personal injury: 16
- Public and constitutional law: 18
- Social regulation: 167

The main content area is titled "Cases (231)" and shows a list of results. The first result is "1. R. (on the application of Grinham) v Parole Board for England and Wales", with details: Queen's Bench Division (Administrative Court) - [2020] EWHC 2140 (Admin) - 4 Aug 2020. It has a status of "No Substantial Judicial Treatment" and a subject of "Penology and criminology". Keywords include Breach; Fairness; Ill health; Oral hearings; Prisoners; Procedural irregularity; Release on licence; Return to court. Links for Case Analysis and Judgment are provided.

The second result is "2. R. v Olatunji (Olayinka)", with details: Court of Appeal (Criminal Division) - [2020] EWCA Crim 1029 - 28 Jul 2020. It also has a status of "No Substantial Judicial Treatment" and a subject of "Sentencing; Animals". Keywords include Dangerous dogs; Destruction orders; Restraining orders. Links for Case Analysis and Judgment are provided.

# SEARCH RESULTS

A typical case will look like this:

The screenshot shows a detailed view of the case "Phelps v Hillingdon LBC". The breadcrumb trail is "Home > Cases Search > Search Results > Document". A search term filter is visible in the top right corner.

On the left, there is a "Table of Contents" sidebar with the following items:

- Case Analysis
  - Case Digest
  - Law Reports
  - Appellate History
  - Related Cases
- Law Reports
- Judgment
- Primary References
- Commentary References
- Practical Law References
- Case Analytics
  - Precedent map
  - Treatment

The main content area is titled "Phelps v Hillingdon LBC" and "Appellate History". It shows a list of appellate history items:

- 27 July 2000: Phelps v Hillingdon LBC. Status: Positive/Neutral Judicial Consideration. House of Lords - [2001] 2 A.C. 619. Subject: Education; Negligence. REVERSED.
- 4 November 1998: Phelps v Hillingdon LBC. Status: Negative Judicial Consideration. Court of Appeal (Civil Division) - [1999] 1 W.L.R. 500. Subject: Negligence. REVERSED.



On the left hand side you will see the following:

**Case Analysis** containing:

**Case Digest** - gives a summary of the case and decision.

**Appellate History** - details the history of the case.

**Law Reports** - gives details of where the case has been reported with links to the full text where available.

**Judgment** - links to the judgment if available.


**Primary References** - includes details of key cases cited, all cases cited, key cases citing and all cases citing, key legislation cited and all legislation cited.

**Commentary References** - includes details of journal articles referring to the case with links to full text where available; details of Sweet & Maxwell books where the case is referred to.

**Practical Law References** - links to materials on Practical Law that refer to the case.

**Case Analytics** - includes a Precedent map and Treatment (for detailed breakdown of how the case has been treated).

On the right of the case you will see the status icon, a link to the graphical history and key reference information, such as details of where the case has been reported, names of the judge(s), counsel and solicitors.

<b>Phelps v Hillingdon LBC</b> Case Digest	
<b>Case Digest</b>	
<b>Summary</b> At the hearing of four appeals the question of the liability of the local educational authorities for their failure to provide adequate educational psychological services was raised. It was held that a person exercising a particular skill or profession, such as an educational psychologist, might owe a duty of care towards particular pupils where it could be foreseen that those pupils may be injured if due skill and care were not exercised in the performance of that duty. The LEA could be held vicariously liable for its employee's acts if there was no public policy reason why such liability should be recognised and the failure to discover dyslexia and take steps to ameliorate the severe results of the congenital condition were breaches of duty, the result of which could amount to personal injuries to a person under The Supreme Court Act 1981 s.33(2).	<b>Positive/Neutral Judicial Consideration</b>  <a href="#">View Graphical History</a>  <b>Court</b> House of Lords  <b>Judgment Date</b> 27 July 2000  <b>Where Reported</b> <a href="#">[2001] 2 A.C. 619</a> <a href="#">[2000] 3 W.L.R. 776</a> <a href="#">[2000] 4 All E.R. 504</a>

## PRINTING

The print icon is on the top right of the screen. There are basic and advanced options.

You will be shown a print dialogue box. Click on **Print**.

Printing can be collected at the Enquiry Point and costs 10 pence per page.

## EMAILING

Select the email icon on the top right of the screen. There are basic and advanced options.

Enter your email address in the To box. Add a subject or note as appropriate. Click on **Email**.