

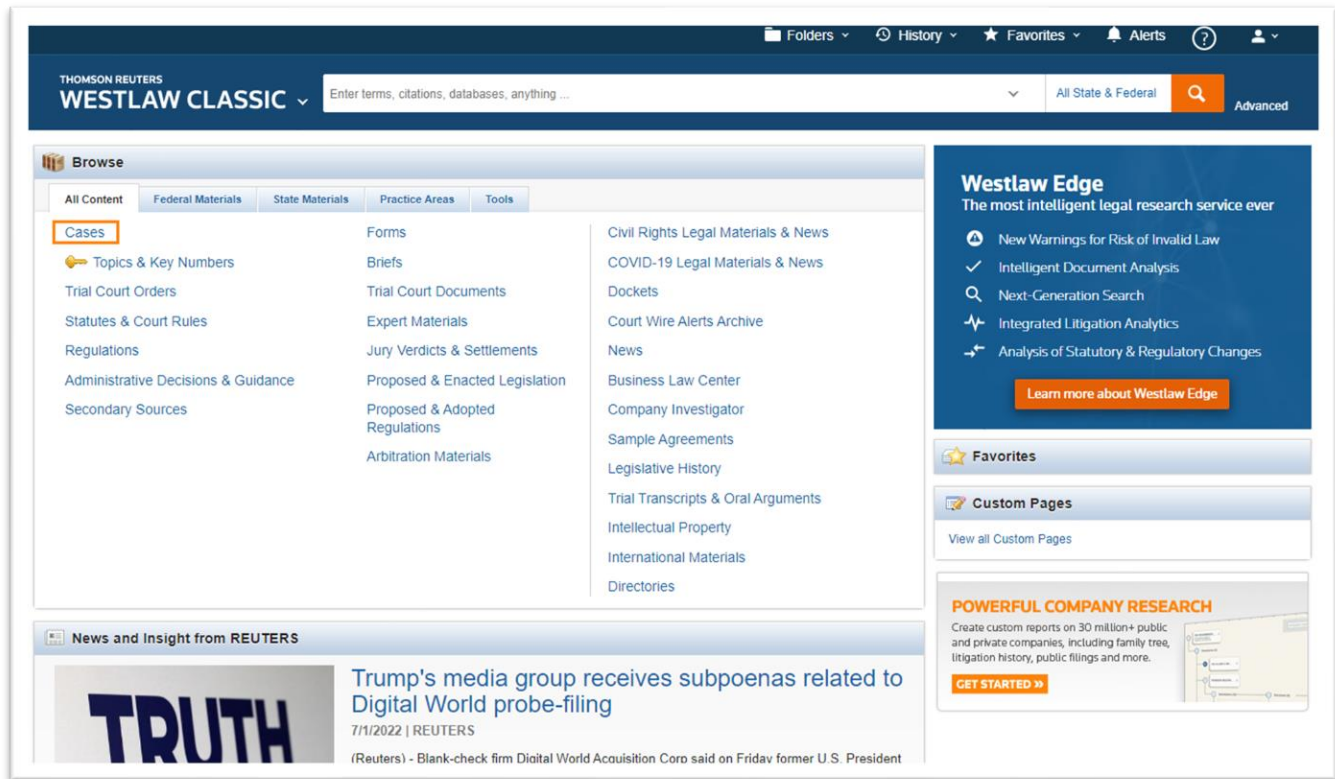
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How to search for case law within a particular jurisdiction

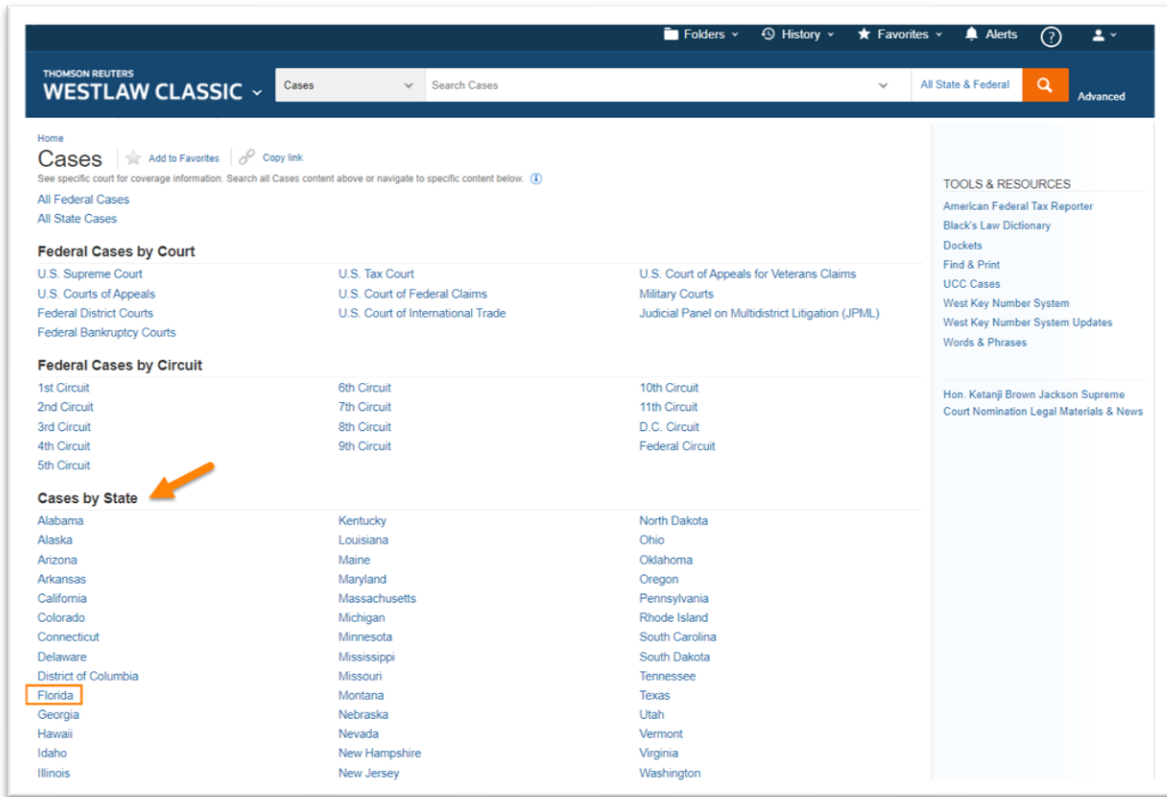
This guide explains how to find case law in a single jurisdiction combining the browse and search options.

If you need to find a case in a particular state, you can browse to the state level from the home screen first, then conduct a search using the WestSearch bar.

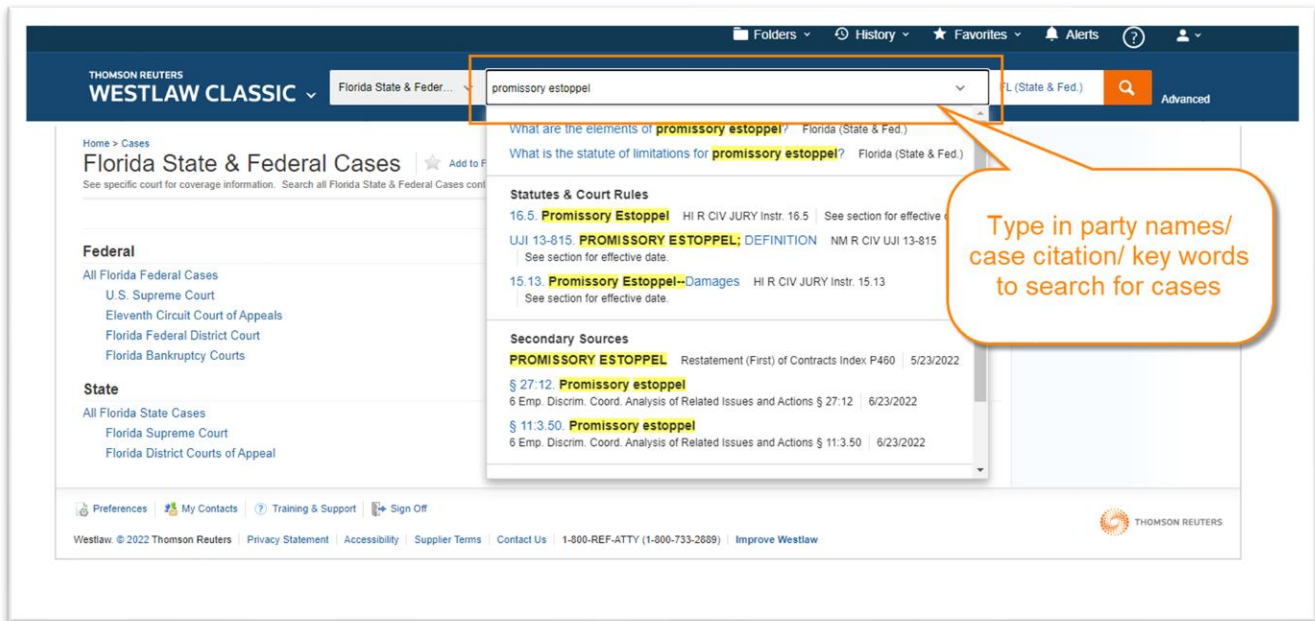
1. From the Westlaw Classic homepage, click "Cases" in the "All Content" tab.



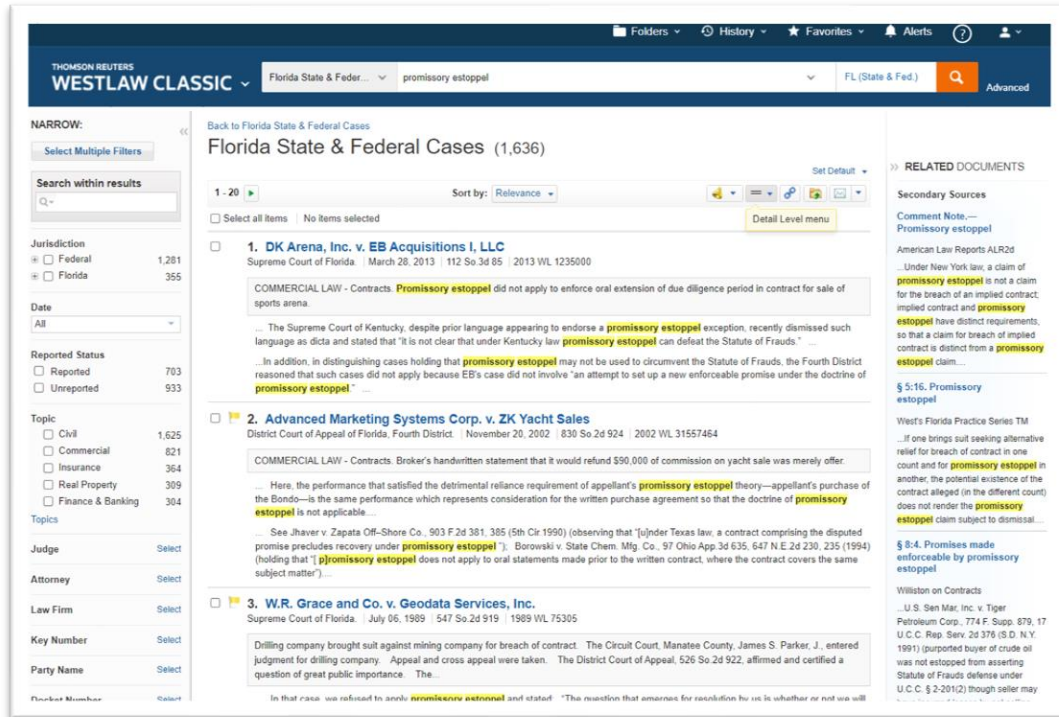
2. Locate "Cases by State" and click the state of your choice from the list, e.g. Florida.



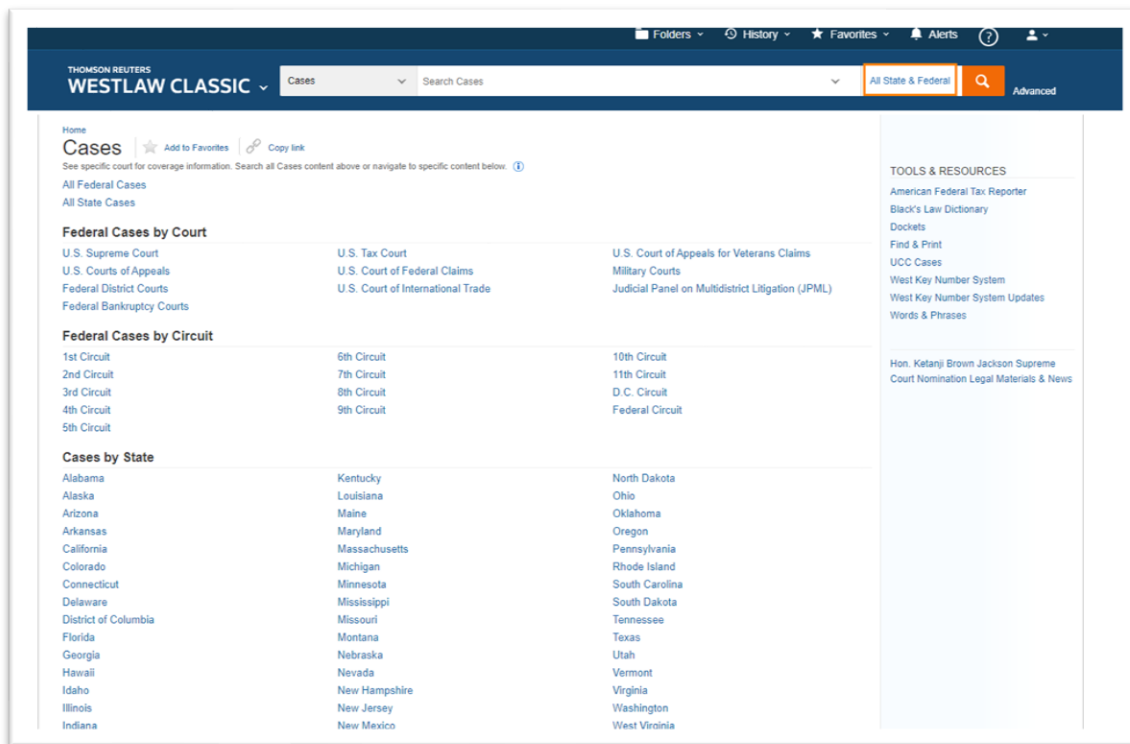
3. The selected State will appear on the left of the search bar. You can type in party names, case citation or keywords and run the search.



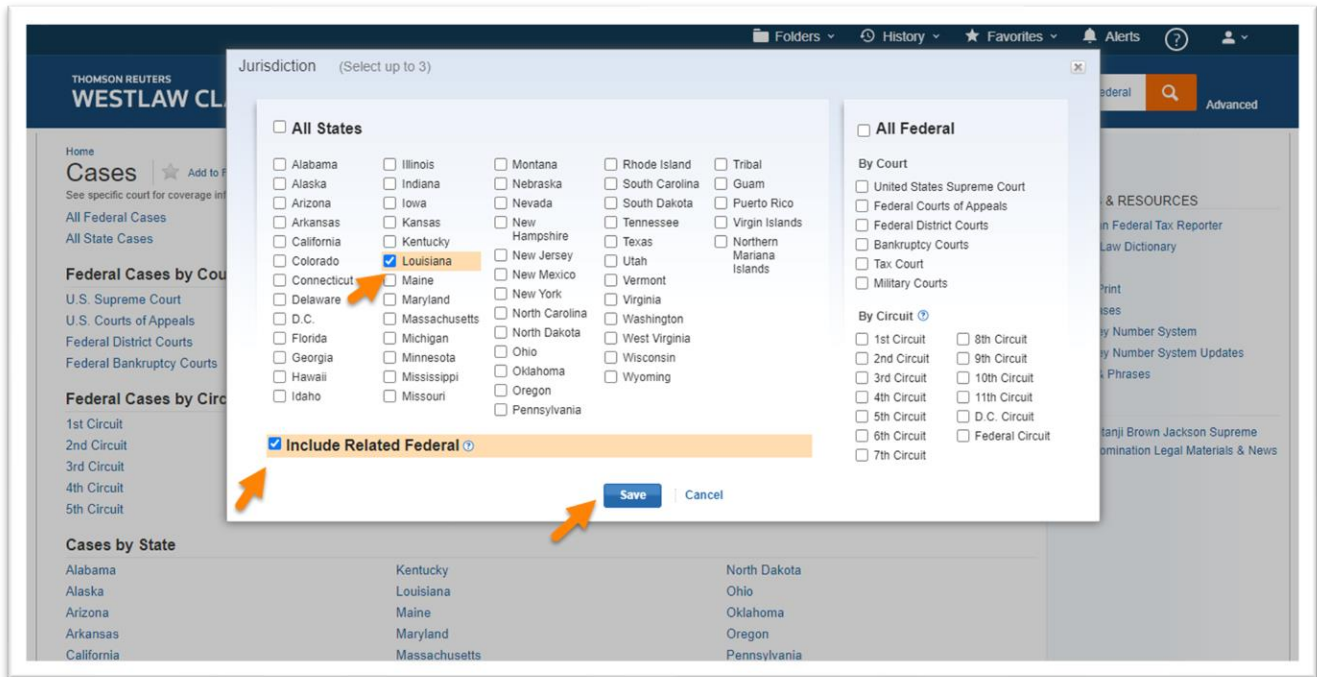
4. The search results will display cases related to your search term/s in the selected state, i.e. cases related to "promissory estoppel" in Florida.



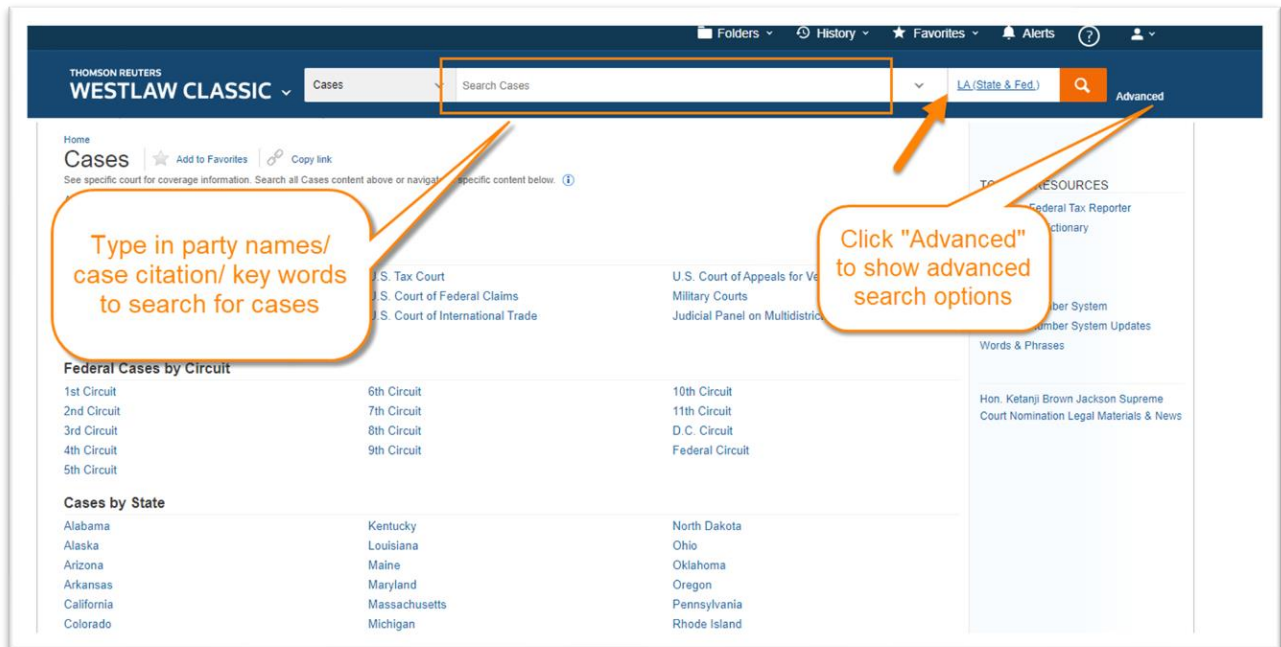
5. Alternatively, after Step 1 above, you can adjust the search settings at the end of the WestSearch bar by clicking onto "All State & Federal".



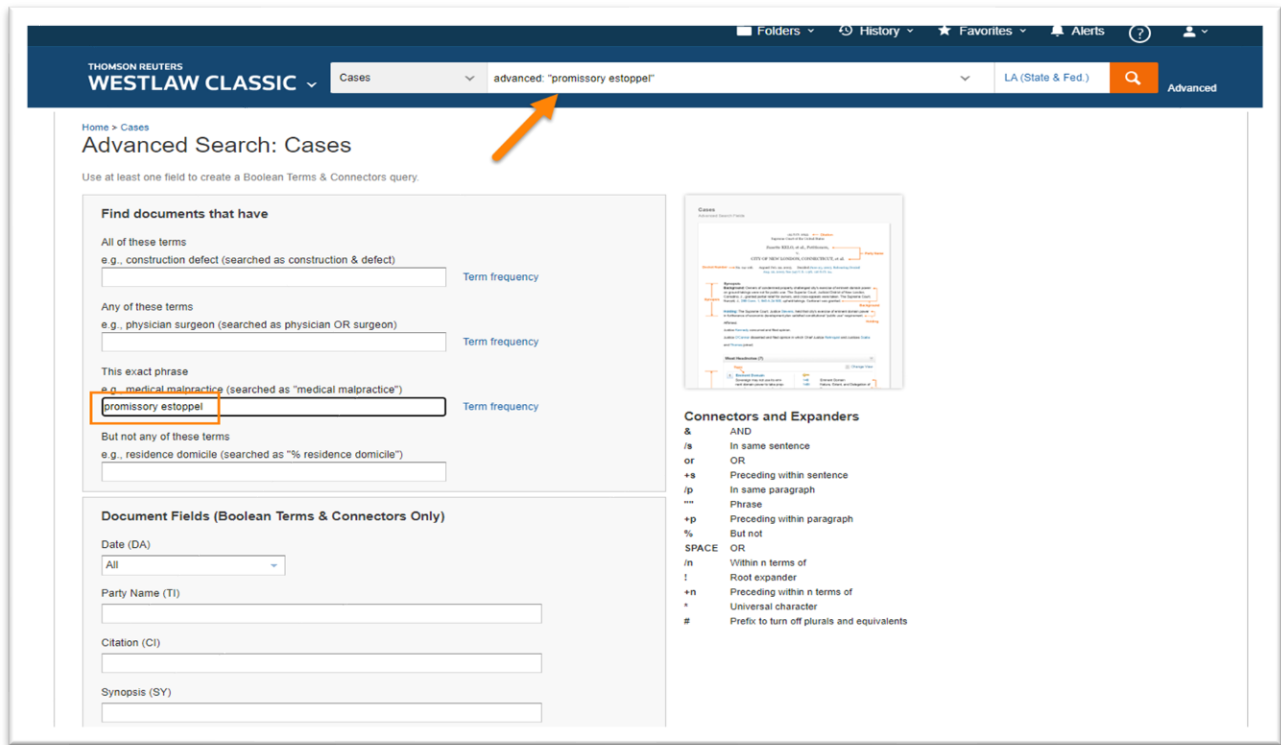
- Choose the jurisdiction of your choice by ticking the box next to the jurisdiction, e.g. Louisiana. If you would like to search for related federal contents as well, tick the box next to "Include Related Federal", then click "Save".



- The search settings have been adjusted to "LA (State & Fed.)". You can run a search by typing in party names, case citation or key words in the WestSearch bar to search for cases. Click "Advanced" to show advanced search options.



8. The Advanced Search will display search fields applying the Terms and Connectors. E.g. If you would like to search for the exact phrase “promissory estoppel”, type the words into the “This exact phrase” search field. The quotation marks will automatically be inserted into the WestSearch bar at the top of the page.



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