

Westlaw[®] Canada Quick Reference Card KeyCite[®] Canada for Cases

KeyCite Canada is a powerful citation service (derived from The Canadian Abridgment) available exclusively on Westlaw Canada. Use KeyCite Canada to note up cases, statutes, rules and regulations.

KeyCite Canada for cases includes the history of all reported Canadian cases back to 1867, plus judicial treatments of Canadian and foreign cases discussed in Canadian decisions that fall within the following coverage: selective coverage of reported cases prior to 1977, comprehensive coverage of reported cases since 1977, and comprehensive coverage of unreported cases since 1986.

KeyCite Canada provides links to the direct appellate history of a case, positive and negative judicial treatments and authoritative secondary sources.

KeyCite Canada Status Flags

- ▶ A **red flag** warns that the case may not be good law; that the decision has been reversed, or has not been followed within the same jurisdiction or by the Supreme Court of Canada.
- ▶ A **yellow flag** warns that the decision has some negative history or treatment, but has not been reversed or overruled. It is also displayed if a treatment has been recently added, and has not yet been editorially analysed.
- H** A **blue H** indicates that the decision has some direct history but it is not known to be negative.
- C** A **green C** indicates that the decision has no direct history, but there are treating cases or other citing references to the decision.

Accessing KeyCite Canada

Access KeyCite Canada by using one of the following methods:

- Click the **KeyCite** radio button located in the **Find/KeyCite a Document** section on most Source Home pages. Enter the case name and select a jurisdiction for the case you want to note up. You may also KeyCite a case by using the **Citation** field provided.
- Click Citing References on the **Related Info** tab in the left frame while viewing a case.
- Click **KeyCite Canada** on the Westlaw Canada Navigation bar located at the top of the screen and use the options in the left frame.

Viewing a KeyCite Canada Result

When you access KeyCite Canada for cases the History and Negative Citing References page appears in the right frame.

Full History is displayed automatically upon KeyCiting a case.

Click [Direct History \(Graphical View\)](#) to display the direct history of the case graphically.

Click [Citing References](#) to display all citing references of the case in the right frame.

Click [Monitor with KeyCite Alert](#) to access the KeyCite Alert wizard.

Citation Frequency Note: Indicates the number of times this decision has been considered by the courts.

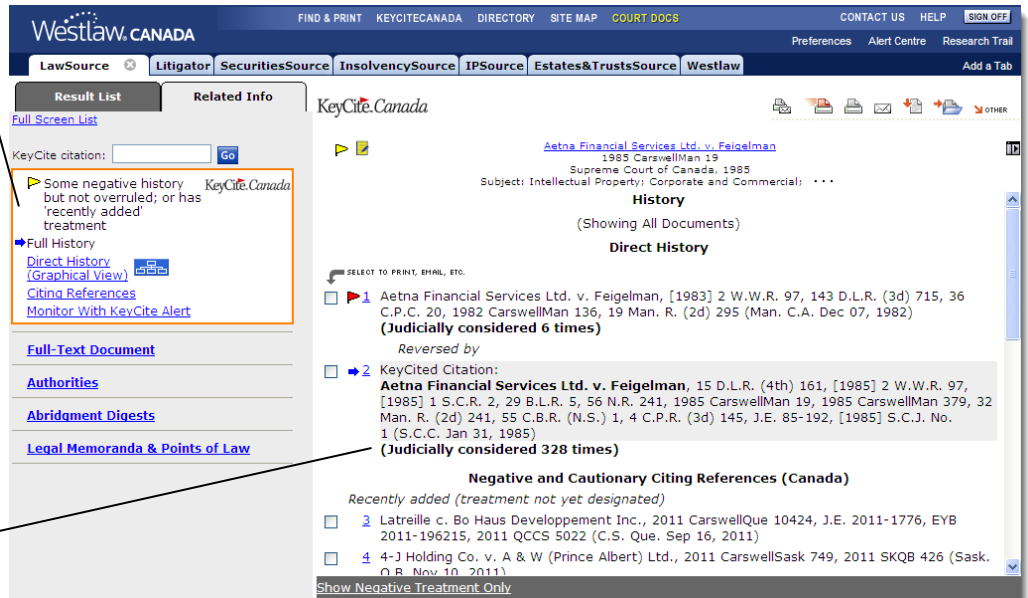


Figure 1

Restricting Citing References (Limit KeyCite Display)

Westlaw Canada provides you with the ability to restrict a list of citing references to only those references that are important to you. You may use any combination of the following limits: Locate (search term), Jurisdiction, Caselaw Citation Frequency, Judicial Treatments, Date and Document Type.

Click the **Limit KeyCite Display** button located at the bottom of the Citing References page to retrieve KeyCite Limits. **Note:** You may apply any combination of limiters.

Citing References link

Limit KeyCite Display



Figure 2

The Locate page is retrieved automatically.

- Enter your search terms into the **Locate** box to search the full text of each cited document. To add another limit, click an option from the left side.
- To limit by **Jurisdiction**, click the checkboxes beside the limits you would like to see.
- To limit by **Caselaw Citation Frequency**, select an option using one of the radio buttons, and the display will be limited to documents that have been judicially considered at least the number of times you specify. You can also request that more recent cases be included in the display regardless of citation frequency.
- To limit by **Judicial Treatments**, select to see only those cases classified by a specified treatment type (i.e. referred to, considered, etc.)
- You may also limit by the date of the referring documents (such as the judgment date of cases, or the publication date of newsletters). In the **Date of Document** section, select a restriction from the *Date of Document* drop-down list or enter the desired date range in the **Before** and **After** fields. To restrict the citing references by the date they were added to Westlaw Canada, select a restriction from the *Date added after* drop-down list or enter a specific date.
- **Document Type** allows you to restrict your list either to cases (by court level) or secondary sources.

Click the **Apply** button when you are ready to apply the restrictions.

KeyCite Alert

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Creating and Accessing KeyCite Alert

To create a KeyCite Alert, use one of the following methods:

- Click Monitor with KeyCite Alert on the **Related Info** tab to access the KeyCite Alert wizard.
- Click **Alert Centre** located in the upper right corner of the Westlaw Canada Navigation bar and select Create or Wizard on the KeyCite Alert title bar.

To access KeyCite Alert, click **Alert Centre** on the Westlaw Canada Navigation bar and click the **Open Directory** button (down arrow) on the KeyCite Alert title bar.



Figure 3