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SEARCHING DOCUMENT SEGMENTS

In Lexis Advance® documents, everything with the same content type has a common structure, composed of the natural parts or divisions, which are referred to as segments. For example, in cases you find segments for case name, decision date, headnotes and dissent, among others.

You can restrict your search to a specific part or segment of a document, such as the court that heard the case or the judge who wrote the opinion. Different types of documents have different segments. For example, a case doesn't have the same segments as a newspaper article.

Segment searching is especially useful when you are looking for documents such as:

- Opinions written by a particular judge
- Cases involving a specific party
- Cases in which a particular attorney or firm appeared as counsel
- Newspaper articles with specific words in the headline or lead paragraph
- SEC filings or company profiles for a particular company



HOW DO I SEARCH SPECIFIC SEGMENTS?

There are two ways:

1. In the Red Search Box, enter your search beginning with the segment name followed by your search terms in parentheses. To find opinions—majority, concurring and dissenting—written by Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, enter:

writtenby(o'connor)

2. Or click the **Advanced Search** link above the Red Search Box to display easy-to-use forms for 50+ document types, e.g., cases, news, codes, etc. Each field of each form represents an available document segment. Fill in the fields you know and click **Search**.

Power-user tip: The labels on the **Advanced Search** form fields may vary from traditional segment names to make the labels easier to understand. However, as you enter text into the fields, your search is built automatically in the Red Search Box and displays the segment names you may be more familiar with. (Sample documents show available segments too.)



