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Spotlight On

Current Awareness from LexisNexis®: Two New Products Fortify Total Offering

Staying updated on vital topics is a constant necessity. But the needs are never static, are they? For breaking news, once-a-day updates may not be enough. Yet sometimes no news is the best news. And keeping multiple updates straight—and sharing them with the right people—becomes a task unto itself.

LexisNexis provides a full-spectrum current-awareness offering. Choose the components you need—when you need them. Customize to accommodate the unique needs of your organization.

Here are the highlights of the two, newest current-awareness products from LexisNexis. Then get a quick review of the entire LexisNexis® Current Awareness offering—all the components you may need and their best uses.

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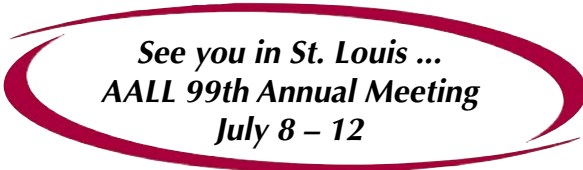
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So How Do the Parts Work Together?

Here's an Overview of the LexisNexis® Current Awareness Offering

LexisNexis Current Awareness products are delivered through a variety of methods and delivery times so you and your organization get the critical details you need to grow the practice, gain strategic advantages and make informed business decisions.

Select a LexisNexis Current Awareness product offering and:

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Let the LexisNexis® Alert feature update your search for you. Setup is only one click from your results screen. Update any LexisNexis search—legal issues, news, business, legislative, even a search with zero results—on a monthly, weekly, business daily or daily basis. *Or choose to update up to three times a day.*

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Get one daily e-mail that fuses the best information from your favorite sources, alerts, Web sites, LexisNexis Publisher topics—and many other updates via LexisNexis Total Alerts powered by Ozmosys.

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- LexisNexis Publisher updates, CourtLink® Alerts and Tracks, and LexisNexis® Mealey™ Alerts;
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- Government and public Web sites; stock exchange updates; RSS feeds, blogs and news feeds; and many more. Open the personalized e-mail, click on headlines of interest—and move directly into full-text sources without extra log ons. Your firm can easily administer alerts and updates for each legal professional. Even create group alerts for teams.

- **Focus on Your Profession**

Follow legal industry/law firm activity on a *daily* basis with the LexisNexis Legal Industry Monitor.

LexisNexis® Publisher has New Look, New Functions

Based on input from the LexisNexis Publisher user groups, the new product interface now closely reflects the look and feel of other LexisNexis products.

In addition to the updated interface, these editing functions have been redesigned to streamline LexisNexis Publisher workflow:

Select Individual Topics for Notify Now

LexisNexis Publisher editors who want to send e-mail notification of a topic update to end users have the option to send notification only for the topic specified.

Create a Portal Component

LexisNexis Publisher editors who have portal administrator entitlement can create a portal component directly from the LexisNexis Publisher topic list page.

More End-User E-mail Notification Options

End users can select *Admin Initiated*, five or seven days-a-week notification as well as choosing a specific hour and time zone for the daily notification. (Admin Initiated sends e-mail notification if the editor chooses to use the Notify Now feature.)

See “Expanded List” View

As editors manually review documents, they can click *Show Hits* on the manual publishing pages to view the hits in the CITE display. And depending on what option the editor chooses for the Display Settings area, end users may also see the “expanded list” view.

Indexing Terms View Now Available

LexisNexis Publisher editors can now see the index terms segment in the FULL document view from the manual publishing page. Get a better understanding of why a specific document was retrieved by a search.

Control Truncation Settings for E-mail

Editors can now set the truncation of the headline and abstract in the e-mail view as well as the Web site view.

Get Use Report Information Based on Time Zone

The LexisNexis Publisher usage reports now show results based on what time zone the organization has selected in their preference page.

Subscribe to E-mail Notification by Topic

Editors can subscribe their end users to e-mail notification or view who is set up for notification—without leaving the topic list page or opening individual user preference pages.

Copy or Delete Combined Sources

Editors can now access a page showing the entire list of combined sources created for the organization by its editors. Once at the page, editors can view what searches use the combined source. They can also copy the sources contained in the combination and edit or save as a new option. And delete combined sources and quickly determine which searches are affected.

View searches currently using a Project/Client ID

Editors can now easily see what searches have been associated with a specific project/client ID. If the project/client ID is not associated with any search, editors can edit the name and/or description and save the change.

Wishing for a Research “Genie?” Lexis® Search Advisor Comes Close

by Leanne Battle, LexisNexis Librarian Relations Consultant

I frequently find myself facing questions about finding articles, cases or treatises in an area of law where I have very little experience. So, of course, I find myself wishing for advice on how to proceed without spending a lot of time thinking about my search terms and the scope of my search.

You know what would be great? A magic lamp on my desk, complete with a genie that pops up to take care of these cumbersome questions for me. Sadly I just have a regular lamp on my desk, so I have to find another source of assistance. Thank goodness for Lexis Search Advisor! It locates legal materials that help you target a legal issue, identify an appropriate source and formulate your search request.

The Lexis Search Advisor tab on the main *lexis.com*® screen is organized alphabetically by topic. That makes it easy for me to find the broad area that I need. Each topic is then arranged in table of contents format, which allows me to expand topics to see subtopics.

Plus, each topic and subtopic is accompanied by a scope note that further explains the topic and lists important search terms.

This is a great way to approach a question when you have limited familiarity. For example, I was asked recently to find cases dealing with Title IX. I am somewhat familiar with Title IX, so I knew I needed to start in Education Law and then Discrimination. Clicking through the subtopics under Discrimination led me to Gender & Sex Discrimination and then to Title IX specifically.

Along the way I gained a broader understanding of my topic by just looking at adjacent topics. For example, within the Title IX subtopic, I saw that consideration must be given to enforcement, proof, remedies, etc.

Another way to navigate Lexis Search Advisor is by using the Find a Legal Topic feature. This is particularly helpful when your topic is completely foreign to you.

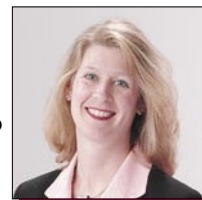
For example, I arrived at my office one morning and retrieved a voice message asking for five good law review articles on the Dillingham test. I had no idea what a Dillingham test was. The request came from an employment attorney so I could make a broad guess, but a shortcut seemed in order.

I went to Lexis Search Advisor and typed *dillingham* in the Find a Legal Topic box. Lexis Search Advisor took me directly through *Pension & Benefits Law; ERISA; Donovan v. Dillingham test*. What a timesaver!

Regardless of how you find your topic, once you do, you have options. You can retrieve cases, analytical materials and agency materials directly related to your topic. So finding the Dillingham test topic was only half the task. Finding five “good” articles would be a challenge since I knew so little about the topic.

I clicked the Analytical Materials tab on my topic search screen. I found a link to *U.S. & Canadian Law Reviews, Combined*. I selected it—and like a wish granted by a genie—a list of 100 law review articles appeared ranked by relevance! Each article even included highlighted search terms, making it easy for me to discern on-point content.

So, the next time you’re faced with a research request on a topic where you have limited familiarity, let Lexis Search Advisor grant your research wish!



Leanne Battle

There’s More! Click “Show Me” and See Lexis Search Advisor in Action

Learn more about Lexis Search Advisor through “take a tour” interactive demos available online at the Lexis Search Advisor tab. Just click the tan Show Me button at the top of the Lexis Search Advisor screen.

Can You Protect Your Clients' Privacy From Invasion by the USA PATRIOT Act?

The USA PATRIOT Act (*Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act*) was enacted by Congress six weeks after 9/11. Now some of the act's provisions are raising constitutional issues. As time passes, more issues will undoubtedly percolate.

Your knowledge of the act is vital to protecting your clients' rights to privacy. *Privacy Law and the USA PATRIOT Act* by Steve C. Posner is the **first major treatise** to emphasize the practical implications, burdens and options for organizations and individuals cooperating with (and subject to) the act's evolving governmental reporting requirements, information requests and surveillance.

An excellent resource for information to help clients avoid liability, meet compliance requirements, and combat government prosecutions and immigration proceedings, this treatise also provides an overall picture of how the different titles of the act work together. You'll also find comments and observations on the effects of the law—not just legal commentary but from society at large.

Topics analyzed in *Privacy Law and the USA PATRIOT Act* include:

- the PATRIOT Act's privacy law context and its relation to the *U.S. Code* and *Code of Federal Regulations*.
- wiretapping and electronic surveillance (including the National Security Agency's Domestic Electronic Surveillance Program).
- the relationship among Title III surveillance orders, FISA Orders, National Security Letters and other surveillance authorities.
- watch lists and other federal databases on individuals.
- DNA identification and other biometrics.
- bank secrecy act reporting, inquiry and sanction powers.
- compliance burdens and liabilities for non-financial and "not traditionally financial" organizations (including charities).
- the "broken-down wall" information-sharing across and beyond the federal government.
- tracking/detaining/removing aliens and other border protection measures.
- asset freezing, seizure and forfeiture.
- new terrorism crimes.

Privacy Law and the USA PATRIOT Act is available in print (one volume) at the LexisNexis® Online Bookstore at www.lexis.com/bookstore

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More **law reviews** and **law-review group sources** have been added to LexisNexis Total Litigator. Also find more briefs and motions under the Case Law, Briefs and Motions tab.

Plus, the **Illinois** jurisdiction has been added to Conduct Legal Research, Gather Intelligence tabs, Plan & Conduct Discovery and Draft, File & Send Documents tab.

LexisNexis Total Litigator will continue to evolve. Watch for more enhancements. And use LexisNexis Total Litigator as your research interface without additional charge. At the *lexis.com* sign-on screen, enter your LexisNexis ID and password, then select Total Litigator from the Additional Products drop-down menu. Click **GO**.

Now Lawyers' Edition, 2d Includes Matthew Bender® Treatise References

For each opinion in the *United States Supreme Court Reports, Lawyers' Edition, Second Series* there is a research reference segment. Beginning with the release of the 164 L. Ed. 2d No. 1 advance sheet shipped in April (and now available through www.lexis.com), the research references segment will now offer citations to Matthew Bender treatises on point with the topic of the Supreme Court decision.

This new feature provides researchers with a starting point for further research as well as references to the premier treatises on the topic with valuable insight from Matthew Bender leading authors.

New for the Employment Litigator in New Jersey ...

Employment Litigation in New Jersey is designed to guide plaintiff-employee's and defendant-employer's counsel through the litigation of major employment-related causes of action in New Jersey. Begin with issues to consider at the outset of client representation and the pleading, pretrial motion and discovery stages. Work through mediation and arbitration, settlement, and the recovery of damages and attorney's fees, including the substantive law applicable to asserting and defending specific employment-related claims.

Find detailed analysis of all the components of successful employment litigation, including administrative practice and procedure, class actions and insurance coverage issues. *Employment Litigation in New Jersey* also offers numerous practical checklists, practice tips, strategic points and forms to assist the New Jersey employment litigator.

This two-volume treatise is available at the LexisNexis Online Bookstore at www.lexisnexis.com/bookstore

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CourtLink now offers Strategic Profiles, Alerts, Tracks and Advanced Searching for:

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- Ventura County Superior Court in California
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- Dallas County District Court in Texas, and
- Harris County (Houston area) District Court in Texas.

Search by litigant or court name. Get automatic e-mail updates on newly filed cases (CourtLink Alerts) as well as e-mail updates on new case activity (CourtLink Track), and review litigants' litigation history (CourtLink Strategic Profiles). Order documents and docket information.

Lexis® Search Advisor Grows to 16,000-plus Topics

Lexis Search Advisor topics have grown; now find more than 16,000 topics. All new topics have been applied to LexisNexis® Headnotes in case law.

When you look at the Lexis Search Advisor menu (just click on the SEARCH ADVISOR tab), you may notice:

- *Business & Corporate Entities* is now ***Business & Corporate Law. Mergers & Acquisitions Law*** is now part of Business & Corporate Law.
- A new ***Civil Rights Law*** topic. It was formerly part of *Constitutional Law*.
- Cyberlaw is now ***Computer & Internet Law*** and includes the former *E-Commerce Law*.
- *Real & Personal Property Law* is now ***Real Property Law***.

Extra! Extra!

More News Is Good News: LexisNexis is Now the Exclusive Provider of Factiva® News and Business Sources to Law Schools

As of May 12, 2006, the LexisNexis collection of news, business and financial information available to law schools has grown. The 20,000+ trusted news and business sources—premier publications such as *The New York Times*® and *The Washington Post*®—now includes a selection of top-quality Factiva news and business materials, including *The Wall Street Journal*®, Dow Jones® and Reuters® newswires, and Barron's® financial information.

Law school students, faculty and library staff can now gain access to these Factiva sources:

Asian Wall Street Journal
Barron's
Dow Jones Business News
Dow Jones Capital Markets Report
Dow Jones Corporate Filings Alert
Dow Jones Emerging Markets Report
Dow Jones International News
Dow Jones News Service
Reuters EU Highlights
Reuters Health E-Line
Reuters Washington Daybook Report
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The Wall Street Journal
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More news ... more business information ... just one more way LexisNexis goes beyond cases and codes to provide law schools with Total Practice Solutions.

Dear Thrifty Searcher:

My patent researchers regularly ask for updates on the latest litigation involving specific patents. Should I go to Mealey's newsletters?

Signed,
Patent Firm in San Francisco

Dear City by the Bay:

Mealey's Intellectual Property Pleadings (Look for *Intellectual Property Pleadings: Mealey's Litigation Report*) does offer a wide range of current information on the hottest intellectual property cases, including filings, full-text documents and expert summaries. This is an excellent resource for staying updated on patent litigation trends and news on specific "hot" litigation.

But every patent litigation case is hot to the legal professionals involved, isn't it?

To check litigation activity for a specific patent number, go to CourtLink. It couldn't be easier. After signing onto CourtLink, select the SEARCH tab. Then:

1. Click the **Patent Search** button.
2. Enter a patent number to find cases related to that patent, for example, ENTER: 5,472,444

You also have the option of limiting your search by date range and adding a client matter to better track your research.

3. Click **NEXT**. After reviewing your search, click **SUBMIT SEARCH**.

Review your results and select dockets to review. Your patent search is saved automatically. You can also have CourtLink notify you automatically via e-mail when there is new activity to a specific case docket (Track function) or alert you when there are new cases involving a specific patent (Alert function).

One more tip: If you wish to track patent litigation activity in general within a specific court jurisdiction, you can do that as well with the CourtLink patent search function.

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