

Advanced Internet Searching for Law Students

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Google Help : Cheat Sheet

OPERATOR EXAMPLE

vacation hawaii

Maui **OR** *Hawaii*

"To each his own"

virus **-**computer

Star Wars Episode **+I**

~auto loan

define:computer

red ***** blue

I'm Feeling Lucky

FINDS PAGES CONTAINING...

the words **vacation** and **Hawaii** .

either the word **Maui** or the word **Hawaii**

the exact phrase **to each his own**

the word **virus** but NOT the word **computer**

This movie title, including the roman numeral I

loan info for both the word **auto** and its synonyms: **truck**, **car**, etc.

definitions of the word **computer** from around the Web.

the words **red** and **blue** separated by one or more words.

Takes you directly to first web page returned for your query.

CALCULATOR OPERATORS

MEANING

TYPE INTO SEARCH BOX

+

addition

45 + 39

-

subtraction

45 - 39

multiplication

45 * 39

/

division

45 / 39

% of

percentage of

45% of 39

^

raise to a power

2^5
(2 to the 5th power)

ADVANCED OPERATORS

MEANING

WHAT TO TYPE INTO SEARCH BOX (& DESCRIPTION OF RESULTS)

site:

Search only one website

admission site:www.stanford.edu
(Search Stanford Univ. site for admissions info.)

[#]...[#]

Search within a range of numbers

DVD player \$100...150
(Search for DVD players between \$100 and \$150)

date:

Search only a range of months

Olympics date: 3
(Search for Olympics references within past 3 months; 6 and 12-month date-restrict options also available)

safesearch:

Exclude adult-content

safesearch: sex education
(Search for sex education material without returning adult sites)

link:

linked pages

link:www.stanford.edu
(Find pages that link to the Stanford University website.)

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Searching the Deep Web

<http://turbo10.com/>

<http://www.profusion.com>

<http://www.completeplanet.com/>

<http://www.virtualchase.com/>

Read about it at: <http://www.okcu.edu/law/library/Fall2002.asp>

Internet Archive's Wayback Machine: <http://www.archive.org/>

“Lawyers Are Turning To Old Websites For Evidence”

<http://www.lawyersweeklyusa.com/feature.cfm>

Test case for admissibility of Wayback Machine printout: *Telewizja Polska USA, Inc. v. Echostar Satellite Corp.* Not Reported in F.Supp.2d, 2004 WL 2367740 N.D.Ill., 2004.

Law firm sued over Wayback Machine use: *Healthcare Advocates, Inc. v. Harding, Earley, Follmer & Frailey*, No. 2:05-CV-03524-RK (E.D. Penn. filed July 8, 2005); *See also Tom Zeller Jr., Keeper of Expired Web Pages Is Sued Because Archive Was Used in Another Suit*, N.Y. TIMES, July 13, 2005, at C9.

Blawgs

Major Blawg sites: <http://www.blawg.org/> & <http://www.blawgrepublic.com/>

Searching Blawgs: <http://www.technorati.com/> & <http://talkdigger.com/>

List of Law Students Who Blog:

http://www.blawg.org/modules.php?name=Web_Links&l_op=viewlink&cid=12

Why This Is Important

Information Disasters: “The High Cost of Not Finding Information,” KM World, March 2004,

http://www.kmworld.com/publications/magazine/index.cfm?action=readarticle&Article_ID=1725&Publication_ID=108

Judges and their clerks using the internet to verify information: Declean McCullagh, “Search Engines Take the Stand,” CNET, May 13, 2004, http://news.com.com/2100-1032_3-5211658.html; *See also Molly McDonough, In Google We Trust?* 90 A.B.A. J. 30 (2004).

Argument that lawyers must search the Internet to satisfy ethical obligations of competence and due diligence: Lawrence Duncan MacLachlan, “Gandy Dancers on the Web: How the Internet has Raised the Bar on Lawyer’s Professional Responsibility to Research and Know the Law,” 13 GEO. J. LEGAL ETHICS 607, 646 (2000); *See also* Carole A. Levitt & Mark E. Rosch, THE LAWYER’S GUIDE TO FACT FINDING ON THE INTERNET 12 (2004). Both authors cite the case of *Whirlpool Fin. Corp. v. GN Holdings, Inc.*, 67 F.3d 605 (7th Cir. 1995).

Lawyers must search the Internet to satisfy ethical obligations of competence and due diligence: New York State Bar Association Committee on Professional Ethics Opinion 709 (October 16, 1998).

Evaluating Online Information

Virtual Chase, "Evaluating the Quality of Information on the Internet"

<http://www.virtualchase.com/quality/checklist.html>

Who's Behind URLs

<http://www.whois.sc/>

<http://centralops.net/co/>

"It's Tough to Get a Good Date With a Search Engine"

<http://searchenginewatch.com/searchday/article.php/2160061>

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