

Attorney's BriefCase® to CEB Research Migration FAQs

What is changing for Attorney's BriefCase users?

Attorney's BriefCase research content is moving to CEB's modern legal research platform. This means faster search, better navigation, and a foundation for integration with CEB's California-focused primary law, secondary sources, and practical guidance content.

Why is Attorney's BriefCase moving to CEB's platform?

CEB acquired Attorney's BriefCase to preserve and expand its trusted family law expertise, ensuring California practitioners continue to receive authoritative analysis and practice-focused guidance. Moving Attorney's BriefCase content to CEB's research platform allows us to combine Attorney's BriefCase's deep family law library with CEB's broader research ecosystem, giving practitioners an integrated, California-specific research experience.

What are the benefits of this move to CEB's platform?

- **Web-based access** – No installs, manual updates, or device restrictions. Access from anywhere.
 - **Automatic updates** – Daily updates mean no need for extra tools or manual checks.
 - **Expanded primary law** – Addition of full-text case law access for Civil and Criminal Evidence modules for a more efficient workflow.
 - **Natural language search** – Search full card text, metadata, and citations and remove the need to navigate code-based menus.
 - **Modern UI with familiar structure** – Topic card structure is preserved but now organized by subject with inline citations to statutes, cases, and rules of court.
 - **Access to CEB's ecosystem** – Tap into CEB's authoritative content including primary law with the option to add secondary sources and practice guides.
 - **Integrated TrueCite** – Instantly verify case law validity, review citing references, and find stronger precedents.
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Do I still have access to the same Attorney's BriefCase research content?

Yes, all Attorney's BriefCase analytical content is available on CEB's platform. You will find California Family Law and California Evidence. All historical content has been migrated, and enhancements will continue as part of CEB's ongoing development. Currently we are linking full text cases to CEB's California-focused citator for family law and adding full text case support for California Evidence.

Is anything going away?

No content is being removed. Some features from the legacy Attorney's BriefCase interface may look different, but all analytical content and case commentary remain available. However, the Attorney's BriefCase app will be discontinued starting February 1, 2026.

What will happen to the old Attorney's BriefCase website?

The legacy Attorney's BriefCase interface will remain available for a limited transition period. All new updates and content releases will occur only on CEB's research platform starting February 1, 2026.

Subscription and Billing

Do I need a new subscription?

If you already have an active Attorney's BriefCase subscription, your access continues under your current terms. When your subscription renews, it will renew as a CEB Research subscription containing the Attorney's BriefCase Family Law Library.

Will pricing change?

During your current subscription term, your pricing remains unchanged. Future renewals will follow CEB's standard pricing for Attorney's BriefCase content. CEB offers discounted pricing for solos and small firms (under 10 attorneys), as well as multi-seat discounts.

Who do I contact with questions about billing or access?

CEB Customer Excellence is available by phone and email Monday–Friday, 8:00 AM–5:00 PM PT.

Email: customer_service@ceb.ucla.edu

Phone: 1-800 232 3444

Getting Started with CEB

What are the system requirements?

- ✓ Active internet connection.
- ✓ Web browser.
- ✓ We officially support Windows and Mac desktop versions of the following browsers updated within the past year:
 1. Microsoft Edge
 2. Firefox
 3. Chrome
 4. Safari

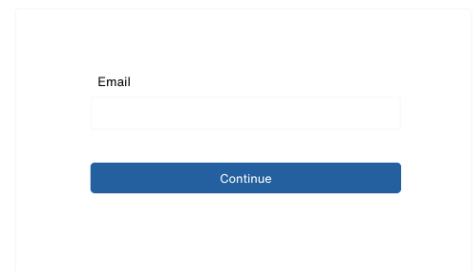
How do I sign in to access my account?

Your account has already been created. Your email address is your username. If this is your first time logging in, follow the steps below.

1. Visit <https://research.ceb.com/>
2. Enter email, click **Continue**
3. Click **Forgot Password?**
4. Enter email and hit **Send Instructions**
5. Set new password to log in

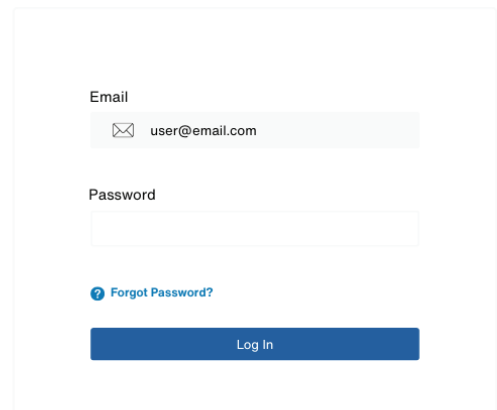
If you encounter any problems, contact CEB technical support at 1(800) 750-9155.

Log In



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The screenshot shows a login interface with the title "Log In". Below the title is a light gray box containing an "Email" label, a text input field with the placeholder "user@email.com", a "Password" label, another text input field, a blue link that says "Forgot Password?", and a blue "Log In" button.

Using the New Platform

Can I use natural language search?

Yes. Our best-in-class legal search does a great job of understanding legal phrases and concepts and returning the most relevant results.

Are Boolean terms and connectors supported?

Yes, Boolean search is fully supported. You can continue using it as you always have, or try natural language search for broader, context-driven results.

Connector	Description	Example	Connector	Description	Example
AND &	Both terms are found	disability AND discrimination	/n w/n	Terms are found within n words of each other	liability /5 insurance
OR (space)	Either term is found	discharge OR expel	+s pre/s	Terms are found within the same sentence and in order	unlawful +s detainer
NOT BUT NOT %	Term must not be found	sex NOT gender	+p pre/p	Terms are found within the same paragraph and in order	malicious +p intent
" ___ "	Exact phrase match	"strict liability"	+n pre/n	Terms within n words of each other and in order	wrongful +10 termination
/s w/s	Terms are found within the same sentence	reasonable /s person	(...)	Grouping terms	(untrue OR pretextual) /p (decision OR action)
/p w/p	Terms are found within the same paragraph	fraud /p inducement			

CEB's search also automatically matches some common variants:

Description	Example	Matches
Singular matches plural and possessives	city	city, cities, city's, cities'
Hyphenated term matches all compound words	at-will	atwill, at will, at-will

Wildcards let you match other variants:

Example	Description	Example	Matches
....!	Matches any number of additional letters at the end of a search term	school!	school, schools, schooling, schoolhouse
... * ...	Matches one letter	withdr*w	withdraw, withdrew

Does CEB have autocomplete or typeahead search assistance?

Yes, typeahead is available throughout the legal research platform.

Does my subscription include access to CEB's TrueCite™ case law citator?

Yes! Our color-coded treatment flags let you know immediately whether a case has negative history and which subsequent decision is responsible for the most critical treatment. Every case is attorney-reviewed to ensure our citator remains as accurate and nuanced as possible.

Guide to TrueCite™ Color Coding
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Negative	Indicates the case is no longer good on at least one point of law (e.g., disapproved, overruled, superseded, disavowed, or some other directly negative treatment).
Warning	A subsequent case disputed the cited case's precedential value (e.g., criticized, limited, disagreed with, declined to extend, declined to follow, validity questioned).
Caution	Indicates the case is good law, but is not binding due to different facts (e.g., distinguished, cited for contrast, not applicable).
Neutral or Positive	Indicates the case is being cited or discussed for background legal principles or context; may also indicate more positive treatment, like upholding the case or relying on it.
No Treatment	Case has no citator treatment, either because it is a brand new case or no subsequent cases have referenced it yet.

Bookmarks and History

Can I bookmark content and save it to folders?

Yes! CEB offers folders and bookmarks to help you organize your research.

How do I bookmark a document?

At the top of any page, click on the gold bookmark icon . Click the gray drop down menu to select an existing folder or create a new one.

Once the folder has been selected, click **Add Bookmark**.

Bookmarks

In re: Vance Good...

All 3
Practitioner 0
Secondary Sources 3
Cases 0
Statutes & Rules 0
News 0

Bookmark current page?

California Powers of Attorney and Health Care Directives (8 Advance Health Care Directives: Complete Forms)

In re: Vance Goodman
Add Bookmark

SECONDARY SOURCES
California Local Probate Rules (Lake County)
County Probate Rules Effective January 1, 2025 CHAPTER 6 PROBATE 6.1 Applicability of Rules 6.2 Submission of Matter

SECONDARY SOURCES
Administering a Single-Person Trust After Settlor's Death (I. Initial Steps)

SECONDARY SOURCES
California Estate Planning (2 Ethical Considerations)

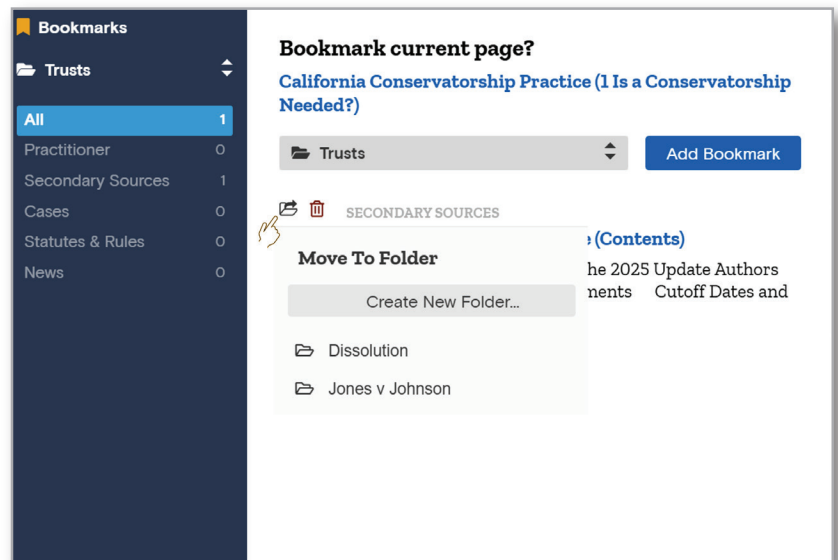
How do I find and use my existing bookmarks?

Use the same gold bookmark icon 📌 at the top of your screen. Navigate between existing folders to find saved content using the drop-down menu on the left.

Can I move or delete a bookmark?

Yes, you can. To move a bookmark, click the small folder icon above the bookmark you'd like to move.

To delete a bookmark, hover over the bookmark you'd like to delete, and click the small red trash icon that appears or click the delete button.



What does the lock symbol mean on Secondary Sources titles?

The lock symbol 🔒 shows out of plan titles included in other libraries. Although you cannot view the full contents of those titles, you can click into the title and browse through the table of contents to see whether upgrading your plan to include that library would be useful.

